

Clarke County Board of Supervisors
March 27, 2023

March 27, 2023 - The Clarke County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on March 27, 2023, at the Clarke County Courthouse with the following members present: Dean Robins, Austin Taylor and Randy Dunbar. Also present, Auditor Janice White, Engineer Tech Corey Eckels and Osceola Sentinel Editor Candra Brooks. Chairman Dean Robins called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Austin Taylor made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Randy Dunbar. All Ayes.

Res 23-054 - Moved by Randy Dunbar, seconded by Austin Taylor to approve Sheriff Kovacevich's hiring of Lindsey Rissi as a deputy sheriff, beginning April 7, 2023, at a starting salary of \$52,228.80.

Vote was "Ayes": Dean Robins, Austin Taylor and Randy Dunbar. "Nays": None.
Signed this 27th day of March, 2023.

Res 23-055 - Moved by Randy Dunbar, seconded by Austin Taylor to approve Sheriff Kovacevich's hiring Reserve Officer Richard Thomas to fill in temporarily in the Sheriff's Department at \$25.00 per hour, starting March 28, 2023.

Vote was "Ayes": Dean Robins, Austin Taylor and Randy Dunbar. "Nays": None.
Signed this 27th day of March, 2023.

Field entrance application for United Farmers Cooperative on 240th Avenue in Section 8 of Osceola Township will be reviewed further and put on the agenda at a future meeting.

Mr. Eckels left at 9:05 a.m.

Res 23-056 - Moved by Randy Dunbar, seconded by Austin Taylor, to adopt the following Notice of Destruction of Noxious Weeds.

You are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa, Chapter 58 of the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Administrative Code, and amendments thereto; the Board of Supervisors and the appointed Weed Commissioner of Clarke County, Iowa declare that owners or persons in control of the real estate within said county shall eradicate all Class A noxious weeds and control all Class B noxious weeds.

The following recommended dates are guidelines only. All Class A noxious weeds to be eradicated and all Class B noxious weeds to be controlled from Chapter 58 of the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship Administrative Code, 21-58.4(317) are listed below. Measures of control shall take place at such time, in each year, and in such manner as shall prevent such weeds from blooming or coming to maturity throughout the growing season. Weather conditions may cause weeds to mature several weeks ahead of normal and consequently require control measures prior to the listed dates. Any landowner with property under CPR contract with the USDA is encouraged to consult with their local office and must abide by contract requirements.

Propriety Weed Species as specified by IDALS Admin. Code 58(2019)

Class A noxious weeds for eradication include:

May 15, 2023 - Palmer amaranth (*Amaranthus palmeri*).

Class B noxious weeds for control include:

June 1, 2023

- a. Canada thistle (*Cirsium arvense*).
- b. Teasel (*Dipsacus* spp.) biennial.
- c. Leafy spurge (*Euphorbia esula*).
- d. Bull thistle (*Cirsium vulgare*).
- e. Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*).
- f. European morning glory or field bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis*).
- g. All other species of thistles belonging in the genus of *Carduus*. (Musk Thistle, etc.)

Other Noxious Weed Species listed in Chapter 317.1(A) to be controlled are:

Quack Grass, Perennial Sow Thistle, Horse Nettle, Perennial Peppergrass, Russian Knapweed, Buckthorn, Butter print, Cocklebur, Wild Mustard, Wild Carrot, Buckhorn Plantain, Sheep Sorrel, Sour Dock, Smooth Dock, Poison Hemlock, Wild Sunflower, Puncture Vine and Shatter cane.

In Case of Landowners and tenants failing to comply with any order to destroy weeds made pursuant to Chapter 317, Chapter 58 of the Iowa Department of Agriculture Administrative Code, and amendments thereto, the Weed Commissioner or Deputies assigned by the Weed Commissioner may enter private lands five days after service a destruction notice in order to conduct control on any weed infestation. The cost of this destruction, the cost of serving notice, and other related costs will be billed. If the bill is not paid, the cost of said destruction will be assessed to the tax roles of the weed violator. Also, the weed commissioner may pose a fine for each day of non-compliance up to ten days at the rate of ten dollars per day.

The County Auditor be and is hereby directed to cause notice of the making and entering of the foregoing order to be published in the official newspaper of the County.

Vote was "Ayes": Dean Robins, Austin Taylor and Randy Dunbar. "Nays" None.
Signed this 27th day of March, 2023.

Res 23-057 - Moved by Randy Dunbar, seconded by Austin Taylor, that costs for non-compliance with the Order for Destruction of Noxious Weeds for 2023 are as follows: \$40.00 per man hour for labor and cutting weeds; \$175.00 per hour for tractor and mower if needed; current county mileage rate per mile for any mileage associated with the expense of destroying weeds; cost of certified letter and a 25% administrative fee (administrative fee excludes Clarke County Secondary Roads and Conservation Departments).

Vote was, "Ayes": Dean Robins, Austin Taylor and Randy Dunbar. "Nays": None.
Signed this 27th day of March, 2023.

Res 23-058 - Moved by Austin Taylor, seconded by Randy Dunbar, in accordance with Iowa Code 331.903, to approve Sheriff Kovacevich's appointment, as follows: Chief Deputy Brian Akers at 85% of the Sheriff's salary, effective March 27, 2023.

Vote was “Ayes”: Dean Robins, Austin Taylor, and Randy Dunbar. “Nays”: None.
Signed this 27th day of March, 2023.

Res 23-059 - Moved by Randy Dunbar, seconded by Austin Taylor, to approve payment of claims submitted from March 21, 2023 through March 27, 2023.

Vote was: “Ayes”: Dean Robins, Austin Taylor and Randy Dunbar. “Nays”: None.
Signed this 27th day of March, 2023.

Fund totals for claims as follows:

0001 GENERAL BASIC FUND	8,233.49
0002 GENERAL SUPPLEMENT FUND	200.00
0020 SECONDARY ROAD FUND	5,377.69
0025 DRUG FORFEITURE FUND	107.09
0030 DRUG DOG FUND	41.53
4000 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND	133.97
4100 ASSESSOR	285.71

Having no other agenda items, Randy Dunbar made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Austin Taylor. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Signed: Dean Robins, Chairman

Attest: Janice M. White, Auditor