

Clarke County Board of Supervisors
November 4, 2024

November 4, 2024 - The Clarke County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on November 4, 2024 at the Clarke County Courthouse with the following members present: Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. Also present, Auditor Janice White, Secondary Road Office Manager Jill Curnes, Osceola Sentinel Editor Candra Brooks, Ronnie Decker, Fran Cueva, Brian Flynn, Sheriff Rob Kovacevich and EMA Byron Jimmerson. Chairman Austin Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Dean Robins made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Randy Dunbar. All Ayes.

PUBLIC HEARING #24-190

The Board of Supervisors met on November 4, 2024, with members Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar present, for a public hearing on the matter of the authorization to enter into a loan agreement for a 2025 CAT Patrol motor grader, at a total cost of \$321,087.88, to be repaid in the next five years. Payments are to be made from the Secondary Road fund.

Moved by Randy Dunbar to open the hearing at 9:06 A.M. Seconded by Dean Robins. Ayes: Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. Nays: None.

Those present in addition to the Board members were: Auditor Janice White, Candra Brooks, Ronnie Decker, Fran Cueva, Brian Flynn, Jill Curnes, Rob Kovacevich, Byron Jimmerson and Rick Oshel.

Ronnie Decker stated that the County was rewarding Secondary Road by purchasing new equipment and that the money should be used for gravel. Rick Oshel questioned how many hours each year are put on a grader and how many hours are on a piece of equipment before looking at trade. The Board stated that the Road Foreman and the Head Mechanic have evaluated what equipment is needed, how many hours equipment have on them and the amount it would cost to repair them or replace them. The better value was to trade in the equipment and purchase new, rather than repair the old.

No written objections have been filed by any county resident or property owner.

After discussion, it was moved by Dean Robins to close the hearing. Randy Dunbar seconded. Ayes: Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. Nays: None. Hearing closed at 9:22 A.M.

Motion was made by Dean Robins, to approve the purchase of a 2025 CAT Patrol motor grader, at a total cost of \$321,087.88 (includes the trade-in of a 2014 Caterpillar), and the county will enter into a five-year loan agreement with American State Bank, at 4.38%, the lowest interest rate quoted. Payments are to be made out of the Secondary Road Fund. Randy Dunbar seconded the motion. Ayes: Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. Nays: None.

Conservation Director Scott Kent arrived at 9:24 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Supervisors met on November 4, 2024, with members Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar present, for a public hearing on the matter of the purchase of a 2025 CAT Patrol motor grader, at a total cost of \$355,787.88 (includes the trade-in of a 2011 John Deere).

Moved by Dean Robins to open the hearing at 9:30 A.M. Seconded by Randy Dunbar. Ayes: Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. Nays: None.

Those present in addition to the Board members were: Auditor Janice White, Candra Brooks, Ronnie Decker, Fran Cueva, Brian Flynn, Jill Curnes, Rob Kovacevich, Byron Jimmerson and Scott Kent.

Ronnie Decker stated he was against it and wanted to know where the County would get the funds. The Board explained that the County plans on using the American Rescue Plan Act funds, which the County already has.

No written objections have been filed by any county resident or property owner.

After discussion, it was moved by Dean Robins to close the hearing. Randy Dunbar seconded. Ayes: Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. Nays: None. Hearing closed at 9:32 A.M.

Res 24-191 - Moved by Randy Dunbar, seconded by Dean Robins, to approve using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for the purchase of a 2025 CAT Patrol motor grader, at a total cost of \$355,787.88 (includes the trade-in of a 2011 John Deere).

Vote was: "Ayes": Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. "Nays": None. Signed this 4th day of November, 2024.

Res 24-192 - Moved by Randy Dunbar, seconded by Dean Robins, to approve using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to be paid to Luce Construction for flooring replacement at the Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$4,696.00.

Vote was: "Ayes": Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. "Nays": None. Signed this 4th day of November, 2024.

Res 24-193 - Moved by Dean Robins, seconded by Randy Dunbar, to approve and sign Motorola Solutions Clarke County ISICS Site Add and Mobile Video Agreement.

Vote was: "Ayes": Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. "Nays": None. Signed this 4th day of November, 2024.

Res 24-194 - Moved by Randy Dunbar, seconded by Dean Robins, to approve payment of claims submitted from October 29, 2024 through November 4, 2024.

Vote was: "Ayes": Austin Taylor, Dean Robins and Randy Dunbar. "Nays": None. Signed this 4th day of November, 2024.

Fund totals for claims as follows:

0001 GENERAL BASIC FUND	30,477.87
0002 GENERAL SUPPLEMENT FUND	1,361.82
0011 RURAL SERVICES BASIC FUND	224.48

Having no other agenda items, Randy Dunbar made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dean Robins. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Signed: Austin Taylor, Chairman

Attest: Janice M. White, Auditor