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TO: Mahesh Sharma
County Administrator

FROM: Jon Burgstrum
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SUBJ: Second reading of ordinance for establishing new speed limits on county roads.

DATE: September 21, 2017

This is a Second reading of an ordinance to adjust the speed limit on 240th Avenue (Z30) from the McCausland City Limits South 1000' and on 140th Ave South of St Ann's Rd. (290th St) south 2700' from 55mph to 45 mph.

We completed a speed study on 240th Ave which showed us that 80% of the vehicles were traveling over the posted speed of 55, some as high as 80mph. We have notified the Sheriff's Patrol to monitor this area and they did place a radar sign at this location. There is a curve, a blind drive and guardrail in this area. We feel that moving the 45 mph speed limit south about 1000' feet will help to reduce the speed and allow the Sheriff to properly enforce the safer speed zone.

We also did a study on 140th Ave South of St. Ann's. This is a residential area which is current 55mph by statute. The study shows that 10 to 15 % of the vehicles are traveling over the speed limit and some more than 75mph. Because of the residential area and more than usual turning traffic and traffic in general in this area, we feel that the reduced speed is warranted.

SCOTT COUNTY ORDINANCE NO 17-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 13-34 OF THE SCOTT COUNTY CODE
RELATIVE TO DESIGNATED SPEED LIMITS ON SCOTT COUNTY SECONDARY
ROADS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SCOTT COUNTY, IOWA:

SECTION 1.

Add to Sec. 13-34J, Add Item No.5 to read:

J. McCausland

5. 45 MPH - 240th Ave (Z30) from the McCausland City
Limits South 1000'

And

Add to Sec. 13-34R, Add Item No.13 to read:

R. County

13. 45 mph - 140th Ave South of St Ann's Rd. (290th St)
2700'.

SECTION 2.

The County Auditor is directed to keep and maintain a copy
of the Ordinance in the County Auditor's office.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any of the provisions of the Ordinance are for any reason
illegal or void, then the lawful provisions of this
Ordinance shall be and remain in full force and effect, the
same as if the Ordinance contained no illegal or void
provisions.

SECTION 4. REPEALER

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the
provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its
final passage and publication as by law provided.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Carol Earnhardt, Chairperson

Scott County Board of Supervisors

ATTESTED BY:

Roxanna Moritz
Scott County Auditor