

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, January 18, 2022

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in special session at 9:00 A.M. with Holliday, Sauer, Saucedo and Sorensen present. Mather was absent. Chairperson Sauer presiding.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday the agenda was approved as presented. Ayes: All.

The Board reviewed FY22/23 funding requests from outside agencies as follows:

Wilton Library – Molly Garrett

FY21/22 Allocation \$15,500 FY22/23 Request \$18,000

Mather joined the meeting at 9:05 A.M.

Musser Public Library – Pam Collins

FY21/22 Allocation \$122,732 FY22/223 Request \$126,414

West Liberty Library – Allie Paarsmith

FY21/22 Allocation \$15,500 FY22/23 Request \$20,000

Muscatine Legal Services – Cindy Sorensen

FY21/22 Allocation \$40,000 FY22/23 Request \$45,000

River Bend Transit – Randy Zobrist

FY21/22 Allocation \$7,000 FY22/23 Request \$7,000

Greater Muscatine Chamber of Commerce and Industry – Erik Reader

FY21/22 Allocation \$10,000 FY22/23 Request \$10,000

Quad Cities Chamber –Julie Forsythe

FY21/22 Allocation \$5,000 FY22/23 Request \$5,361

Wilton Development Corporation – Becky Allgood

FY21/22 Allocation \$10,000 FY22/23 Request \$10,000

WELEAD (West Liberty Development Corporation) – Kenneth Brooks

FY21/22 Allocation \$10,000 FY22/23 Request \$10,000

Muscatine County Fair Board – Kelsey Morris

FY21/22 Allocation \$40,000 FY22/23 Request \$40,000

The Board canvassed the Drainage District #1 Election held on January 15, 2022. Results were as follows: For the office of Trustee for the three-year term beginning January 22, 2022 – 3 votes were cast. Russ VanAcker received 3 votes. Russ VanAcker was elected.

The Board canvassed the Drainage District #4 Election held on January 15, 2022. Results were as follows: For the office of Trustee for the three-year term beginning January 22, 2022 – 2 votes were cast. Mike Meyers received 2 votes. Mike Meyers was elected.

The Board canvassed the Drainage District #5 Election held on January 15, 2022. Results were as follows: For the office of Trustee for the three-year term beginning January 22, 2022 – 2 votes were cast. Russ VanAcker received 2 votes. Russ VanAcker was elected.

The Board canvassed the Drainage District #9 Election held on January 15, 2022. Results were as follows: For the office of Trustee for the three-year term beginning January 22, 2022 – 4 votes were cast. Don Feldman received 4 votes. Don Feldman was elected.

The Board canvassed the Drainage District #10 Election held on January 15, 2022. Results were as follows: For the office of Trustee for the three-year term beginning January 22, 2022 – 4 votes were cast. Dustin Lampe received 4 votes. Dustin Lampe was elected.

The Board canvassed the Muscatine-Louisa Island Levee First District Election held on January 15, 2022. Results were as follows: For the office of Trustee for the three-year term beginning January 22, 2022 – 5 votes were cast. Rodd McNeal received 5 votes. Rodd McNeal was elected.

The Board canvassed the Muscatine-Louisa Drainage District #13 Third District Election held on January 15, 2022. Results were as follows: For the office of Trustee for the three-year term beginning January 22, 2022 – 2,888 votes were cast. Rodd McNeal. received 2,888 votes. Rodd McNeal was elected.

The Board recessed at 12:14 P.M. and reconvened at 12:22 P.M.

The Board reviewed the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) fund request forms received by the January 13, 2022 deadline. The Board incumbered ARPA funds (not to exceed) for the following:

Digitize Auditor records	\$90,000
Digitize Recorder records	\$90,000
Remodel Auditor's Office	\$128,385
Muscatine Legal Services	\$19,000
County Cyber Security upgrade-Jail Servers	\$50,000
Muscatine Louisa Island Levee Project- Phase 3	\$1,671,818
Community Foundation-new physician clinic	\$875,000
Community Foundation-housing	\$875,000
Lower Cedar Watershed-staff	\$100,000
WTC Communications-Broadband projects	\$100,000
MPW-Broadband projects	\$100,000

Holliday left the meeting at 1:09 P.M.

The Board reviewed the FY22/23 budget requests from outside agencies that were presented earlier in the meeting.

The Board reviewed the FY22/23 budgets for the libraries. Board consensus was to fund the same 103% over current budget for Wilton, West Liberty and Musser Public Libraries for an amount of \$16,000 for Wilton and West Liberty Libraries and an amount of \$126,414 for Musser Public Library.

The Board reviewed the FY22/23 budget for Muscatine County Fair Board. Mather expressed concerns for the request of \$40,000. The Board discussed the prior budget plan to phase out funding to the Muscatine County Fair Board, which has been reviewed and discussed with the Fair Board for several years, noting that the phase out funding was suspended for FY21/22 due to the shutdown of the 2020 County Fair and other fundraising due to COVID. Mather stated the expenses and revenue report for FY22/23 states a projected beginning balance of \$390,821.33 and ending balance of \$581,071.33, which indicates taxpayer dollars are not needed as the Fair is maintaining adequate reserves. Board consensus was to budget either \$40,000 to be used to match debt reduction or \$20,000 for general operations.

The Board discussed the process for outside agencies to request funds and stated that all future requests must include the requestors's most recent audit.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 P.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors