

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, June 2, 2014

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. with Furlong, Sorensen, Howard, Sauer and Kelly present. Chairperson Howard presiding.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Furlong, the agenda was approved as written. Ayes: All.

Discussion was held with Vic Amoroso, A&J Associates, regarding a change order for the Muscatine County Community Services Building Evaporative Cooler Project. Amoroso stated the change order is to add a parallel control valve that provides heat in the winter time from the heat exchanger. Amoroso stated there is only one valve and last winter that valve failed and the system overheated. Amoroso stated he spoke with Maintenance Supervisor Oscar Alvarez and they agreed a second valve would provide a 100% redundancy for the system. On a motion by Furlong, second by Sorensen, the Board approved a change order for the Muscatine County Community Services Building Evaporative Cooler Project in the amount of \$2,707.00. Ayes: All.

Amoroso updated the Board on various projects.

Discussion was held with County Recorder Cindy Gray regarding a proposed agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for Eagle Land and Vital Records Suite software subscription and implementation. In response to a question from Howard, Gray stated Tyler's expenses are \$42,918 plus the \$7,500 for travel. Gray stated the amount discussed at a previous Board of Supervisors meeting included Muscatine County IT costs. On a motion by Furlong, second by Kelly, the Board authorized the Chair to execute an agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for Eagle Land and Vital Records Suite software subscription and implementation in the amount of \$42,918 plus travel expenses estimated at approximately \$7,500 for use in the Recorder's Office. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Sauer, the Board affirmed an Iowa Department of Public Health Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System Development Grant renewal application in the amount of \$6,557. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Sauer, the following utility permit was approved: Liberty Communications - bore across 155th Street to supply service to 1721 155th Street, Atalissa, Iowa. Ayes: All.

Discussion was held with County Engineer Keith White regarding a contract, bond and certificate of insurance for L-(M14-2)--73-70 HMA Seal Coat and Reclamation on portions of 110th Street, Underwood Avenue, Vail Avenue, 180th Street, N. Isett Avenue, Saulsbury Road, Cranston Road and 250th Street. White stated there were two bids: Pelling, L.L. Co., Inc. – project total \$697,794.10 and Manatt's, Inc. – project total \$708,285.62. On a motion by Furlong, second by Sorensen the Board accepted the bid from Pelling, L.L. Co., Inc. in the amount of \$697,794.10. Ayes: All.

White updated the Board on various construction projects. Howard asked White if he had an opportunity to review an e-mail forwarded to White by the Muscatine County Administration Office regarding Elder Avenue. White stated the Iowa DOT has adopted the nationwide Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices which establishes the factors that justify a stop sign and which also states that Stop and Yield signs should not be used as speed control devices.

On a motion by Furlong, second by Sorensen the Board approved a preliminary plat of the proposed one lot agricultural subdivision, Carter Farm Addition, containing approximately 2 acres in Pike Township. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Furlong, second by Sorensen, the Board approved Resolution #06-02-14-01 Approval of Final Plat of Carter Farm Addition. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

Discussion was held with Zoning Administrator Jodee Stepleton regarding the scheduling of livestock producers education training. Stepleton stated on May 12th there was a public meeting at Saulsbury Park in regards to concerns and questions about livestock producers and the possibility of creating a good neighbor policy. Stepleton stated the consensus at the end of the meeting was that there is not enough education in the community in reference to Ag producers and what that means when you live on the outskirts of a big city. Stepleton stated she has been in contact with representatives of the Iowa State Extension and representatives of a coalition that supports Iowa farmers all of whom are interested in coming to Muscatine County and doing training. Furlong stated it needs to be decided what will be the intent of the training meeting. Sorensen stated the County should not sponsor meetings as a platform for pro or con livestock confinement, but should limit them to education on what the livestock confinement process is according to the law, on what the citizen's rights are and on where in the process citizens and the County are allowed to provide input. Furlong stated Stepleton should develop a list of questions for the meeting centering on the legal rights of the hog producers, the legal rights of the adjoining property owners and other rules. The Board directed Stepleton to set up a public educational meeting one evening in August or September and to include representatives from Iowa State Extension and Iowa DNR. The Board directed Stepleton to submit the list of questions to the Extension and DNR prior to the meeting so they are prepared with answers. The Board directed Stepleton to make sure the public meeting time and place are well publicized so that all interested parties can attend.

Stepleton discussed the current procedures for filing a Manure Management Plan with Muscatine County and suggested that a policy change may be needed. The Board directed Stepleton to contact other Counties about their Manure Management Plan policies and look into updating Muscatine County's procedures.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Sorensen, minutes of the Monday, May 19, 2014 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Howard, Sauer and Furlong reported receiving an e-mail regarding a road issue along Elder Avenue.

Furlong reported a contact regarding a separate road issue.

Committee Reports:

Sorensen attended a Wilton Development Corporation meeting May 21st.

Howard and Furlong attended a Bi-State Regional Planning Commission meeting May 28th.

Sauer attended a River Bend Transit meeting and a Muscatine County Board of Health meeting May 21st.

Kelly attended an Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region meeting May 19th.

Kelly attended a Bi-State Drug and Alcohol Consortium meeting May 28th.

Kelly attended a Decategorization Board meeting May 29th.

Furlong attended a WELEAD (West Liberty Economic Area Development Board) meeting May 22nd.

Howard attended a University of Iowa Faculty Engagement Corps meeting May 23rd.
Kelly attended a Salvation Army Civic Dinner May 24th.

Information Services Director Bill Riley updated the Board on the Website Redesign project and on an internet interruption that occurred May 27th. Riley asked for direction from the Board on the possible purchase of a SAN (Storage Area Network). Riley stated there is extra money left in this year's Information Services budget and the support for the current SAN will end in August. Riley stated he would like to use this extra money for a new SAN and he estimates there is approximately \$30,000 - \$32,000 left in the budget. The Board directed Riley to research costs and bring them a proposal with exact figures.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Furlong, the Board authorized the transfer of DiAn Maine to Step 9 in the Lead Custodian position. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Sorensen, the Board accepted May, 2014 payroll claims. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Furlong, second by Sorensen, the Board extended the annual open enrollment period for health and dental insurance through June 19, 2014. Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 A.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. Soule, Auditor

Robert E. Howard, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors