

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, April 13, 2015

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

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

On a motion by Howard, second by Sorensen, claims dated April 13, 2105 were approved in the amount of \$454,522.14. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Bonebrake, the Chairperson was authorized to sign a letter to FEMA regarding the 3-year monitoring requirement for open space HMGP DR-1763 #39 (Muscatine County Property Acquisition). Ayes: All.

The Board reviewed the following Special Use Permit granted by the Muscatine County Board of Adjustment on April 3, 2015: Case #15-04-02 is an application filed by Robert M. Lucas Jr. and Ruthanne Lucas, Record Owners. This property is located in Cedar Township, 1570 231st Street, Letts, East of 231st Street, in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1-T76N-R4W, containing approximately 38.49 acres, and is zoned A-1 Agricultural District. This request would allow the Zoning Administrator to issue a Special Use Permit for the owners to construct a 12' X 16' Seasonal Recreational Cottage on their property. The Board of Adjustment approved this request.

The Board reviewed a variance granted by the Muscatine County Board of Adjustment on April 3, 2015: Case #15-04-01 is an application filed by Timothy J. or Pamela A. Gray, Record Owners. This property is located in Montpelier Township, 3686 Dismore Road, in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 21-T77N-R1E, containing approximately 0.45 acres and is zoned A-1 Agricultural District. This request, if approved, would allow the Zoning Administrator to issue a Variance to allow the owners to rebuild their existing garage that is currently six (6') feet from the front lot line, rather than the required 50 foot setback. The Board of Adjustment approved this request. On a motion by Howard, second by Sauer, the Board accepted the variance. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Howard, second by Sorensen, the Board set a public hearing on Monday, April 27, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. to discuss and possibly approve the proposed Fringe Area Policy Agreement between Muscatine County and the City of Nichols. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the following utility permit was approved: Eastern Iowa Light & Power – bore a cable across Tipton Road at 1944 N. Tipton Road. Ayes: All.

County Engineer Keith White updated the Board on Secondary Road projects.

On a motion by Howard, second by Sorensen, the Board accepted the Muscatine County Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending March 31, 2015 in the amount of \$44,188.13. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Howard, second by Sorensen, minutes of the Monday, April 6, 2015 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Kelly reported a contact requesting the Board take a stand on hog confinements.
Howard reported a contact regarding the future of MUSCOM and the upcoming communications upgrade.

Committee Reports:

Kelly attended a Seventh Judicial meeting April 10th.
Howard attended a Muscatine Search and Rescue meeting April 8th.

Howard attended the 2015 Muscatine FFA Awards banquet on April 9th.

County Recorder Sarah Bodman informed the Board she is thankful for the Board allowing the purchase of a new recording system. Bodman stated the system has streamlined a huge amount of work and she feels she does not need to fill the part-time clerk position at this time as they are doing well with the staff they have. Bodman stated she may reconsider and request a seasonal employee when they get busy during boating season.

On a motion by Howard, second by Sorensen, the Board went into closed session at 9:21 A.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5(c), Code of Iowa, to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Howard, the Board returned to open session at 10:22 A.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 A.M.

ATTEST:

Betty L. Wamback
First Deputy Auditor

Kas Kelly, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors