

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, July 27, 2015

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. with Howard, Bonebrake, Sauer, Kelly and Sorensen present. Chairperson Kelly presiding.

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

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Bonebrake, claims dated July 27, 2015 were approved in the amount of \$1,346.40. Ayes: All

On a motion by Howard, second by Sorensen, the Board authorized the Chair to execute an Amended 28E Agreement for Mental Health Advocate Services between Cedar, Clinton, Jackson, Scott and Muscatine Counties. Ayes: All.

Discussion was held with Planning and Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas regarding the possible purchase of a vehicle. Furnas stated the Zoning Department's 2006 Trailblazer needs to have the air conditioner repaired which will cost \$2300 and it also needs front end work. Furnas stated the trade-in value of the Trailblazer is approximately \$4000. Furnas asked the Board for direction on whether to continue to make repairs to the vehicle or look into a replacement. Furnas stated both Zoning vehicles were purchased used and may need to be replaced in the next few years. Bonebrake stated the Trailblazer is made for hard surface roads and not for in and out of job sites and farms. In response to questions from the Board, Furnas stated each County Department is responsible for the service and maintenance of its own vehicles and each department chooses its own service provider. Sorensen stated government entities receive attractive discounts for new purchases so a used vehicle may not make sense for County government. Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber stated there are available funds in the Rural Services Fund at this time. Board consensus was for Furnas to do further research and return to the Board with costs and availability to replace either one or both Zoning vehicles.

Furnas updated the Board on the purchase of the GPS equipment.

On a motion by Howard, second by Sorensen, minutes of the July 20, 2015 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Kelly reported a contact asking if the County road grader operators received training because of a concern about a washboard effect on 180th Street.

Committee Reports:

Sauer attended a Muscatine County Conservation Board meeting July 20th.

Sorensen attended a Muscatine County Solid Waste Management Agency meeting July 23rd.

Howard and Kelly attended a Bi-State Regional Planning Commission meeting

July 22nd.

Kelly attended an Eastern Iowa MH/DS Region meeting July 20th.

Howard attended a Muscatine County Conservation Board meeting July 20th. Kelly and Howard attended the Union Tank Car Company groundbreaking ceremony July 23rd. Kelly attended an Office of Auditor of State audit entrance meeting July 23rd.

First Deputy Auditor Betty Wamback updated the Board on the upcoming School and City Elections. Wamback stated the School Election will be held Tuesday, September 8, 2015 and the City Election will be held Tuesday, November 3, 2015.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board accepted the July 2015 payroll claims. Ayes: All.

Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber stated the Wellmark representative is scheduled to meet with the Board on Monday, August 10th at 1:00 p.m. to discuss various health care plans.

Sauer invited everyone to attend Great River Days this week.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 P.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

Kas Kelly, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors