

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, September 26, 2016

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

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

On a motion by Howard, second by Kelly, claims dated September 26, 2016 were approved in the amount of \$826,692.05. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Sauer, the Board approved the following utility permit: Winsdstream Communications – replace existing cable in the right-of-way along Davis Avenue north of Nichols. Ayes: All.

County Engineer Keith White updated the Board on secondary roads construction projects and current flood level projections. White stated empty sandbags are available to County residents at the Secondary Road's office.

On a motion by Howard, second by Sauer, minutes of the September 19, 2016 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

No correspondence was noted.

Committee Reports:

Howard attended a Muscatine County Veterans Affairs meeting September 20th.

Kelly attended an Eastern Iowa Mental Health/Disability Services Region meeting September 19th.

Sorensen attended a West Liberty Economic Area Development meeting September 22nd.

Sauer attended a Muscatine County Conservation Board meeting September 19th.

Sauer attended a Riverbend Transit meeting September 21st.

Sauer attended a Muscatine County Board of Health meeting September 21st.

Sorensen attended a Greater Muscatine Chamber of Commerce luncheon with the Counsel General from China September 20th.

County Auditor Leslie Soule stated the Auditor's Office began mailing absentee ballots today and will begin in-office voting Thursday, September 29th. Soule also stated there will be satellite voting from 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. at the Muscatine Community College McAvoy Center on October 17th and St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Life Center in West Liberty on October 18th.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Bonebrake, the Board approved a revised class specification for the Building, Zoning and Environmental Inspector position with a grade change recommendation on the revised class specification from Grade 10 to Grade 12 and placed the current Building, Zoning and Environmental Inspector Jim Schaapveld at a Grade 12, Step 10 effective October 1, 2016. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Howard, second by Kelly, the Board appointed Anna Mack to the Muscatine County Historic Preservation Commission to fill a vacancy for a term ending January 1, 2017. Ayes: All.

The Board by consensus directed Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber to pursue a one year union contract with AFSCME which represents foodservice staff, nurses and clerical staff at the Jail in order to sync it with the three Teamster contracts that are two year contracts expiring next year.

Schreiber stated Wellmark is offering convenience care virtual visits free to employees requiring only an enrollment process with the virtual visits typically being cheaper to the employee. Board consensus was to proceed with offering the service to employees. The Board also expressed interest in the Naturally Slim program through Wellmark directing Schreiber to look into the costs associated with the program.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

Jeff Sorensen, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors