

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors  
Monday, April 30, 2018

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

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

West Liberty City Manager Lawrence McNaul presented a plan for voluntary annexation of property north of the City of West Liberty. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Bonebrake, the Board approved Resolution #04-30-18-01 Concerning Voluntary Annexation by the City of West Liberty of Property owned by David F. and Jody C. Dvorak. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

A quarterly update on the Eastern Iowa MH/DD Region was provided by Community Services Director Kathy Anderson-Noel and Region CEO Lori Elam.

Anderson-Noel updated the Board on local Community Services activity as of the quarter ending March 31, 2018 stating MH/DD expenditures are currently running at 68% of budget with a target of 75%. Anderson-Noel stated General Assistance expenditures are 71.14% of budget with a target of 75%. Anderson-Noel stated there was high utilization for the shelter during the quarter ending March 31, 2018. Anderson-Noel stated there have been 243 at the shelter year-to-date in FY2018. Anderson-Noel stated there were 20 commitments in March. Howard noted there has been a large spike in the cost of shelter services to the County. Anderson-Noel stated the agreement between Muscatine County and MCSA was rewritten to close the gap between the \$5 per night co-pay and the \$13.90 per night cost for shelter services by having the County pay the difference.

Elam presented information on Eastern Iowa's Crisis Management System stating they are doing a lot more publicity regarding crisis evaluations and telehealth services. Elam reported the following calendar year crisis evaluation statistics:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018(estimated)</u>
Total Crisis Evaluations	1,156	3,307	4,476
Telehealth Calls	508	949	1,100
Crisis Line Calls	715	752	876

Bonebrake stated he would like to be provided with data regarding how many people are effectively treated through an in-person evaluation versus a telehealth evaluation.

On a motion by Howard, second by Mather, the following utility permits were approved: Eastern Iowa Light & Power – splicing into existing cable on Vail Avenue to service a new home on Lot 11 Valley View Estates; Eastern Iowa Light & Power – boring across Ocean Avenue to service 1064 Ocean Avenue; and Eastern Iowa Light & Power - installing new poles along Jasper Avenue from 215<sup>th</sup> Street to across Independence Avenue. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Howard, the Board approved an agreement with French-Reneker-Associates, Inc. for professional services for onsite inspection of a gas pipeline at an estimated cost of \$52,000 which will be reimbursed by Alliant Energy. Ayes: All.

County Engineer Keith White presented the following bids for the purchase of a low boy trailer: Altorfer, Inc. (CAT) - Trail King for \$76,630 with anti-lock brakes; Jim Hawk – XL specialized trailer for \$76,450 without anti-lock brakes. On a motion by Howard, second by Bonebrake, the Board approved the purchase of a Trail King low boy trailer from Altorfer, Inc. in the amount of \$76,630. Ayes: All.

Discussion was held with County Engineer Keith White regarding staffing needs. White stated a motor grader retired last Fall and needs to be replaced. White stated if that position is replaced internally, it will lead to a need for an entry level replacement. White stated he also has an employee who has been off for several weeks and may not return which could lead to a second vacancy. Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber stated even if the employee returns, there is indication he will retire within the next year. On a motion by Bonebrake, second by Sorensen, the Board authorized the County Engineer to fill one motor grader operator position and one highway maintenance worker position. Ayes: All.

County Engineer Keith White updated the Board on secondary road projects.

On a motion by Bonebrake, second by Sorensen, minutes of the April 23, 2018 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Bonebrake reported a call from a resident regarding information on Conesville Cemetery.  
Sorensen reported a complaint regarding construction activity on Zachary Avenue.  
Howard reported a complaint regarding road conditions on 180<sup>th</sup> Street.

Committee Reports:

Sauer attended a Bi-State Regional meeting April 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Sorensen attended a Regional Workforce Advisory Board meeting and CEO Board meeting April 27<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 A.M.

ATTEST:

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Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

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Scott Sauer, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors