

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, July 19, 2021

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

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

Mike Nolan of Horizon Architecture reviewed Change Order #3R for the Muscatine County Jail Booking Expansion Project in the amount of \$8,269.47. Nolan stated the Change Order is to address temporary shoring for additional steel work to remove a bearing for an exterior wall that is weight bearing and install a new column and extend a beam. Nolan stated the County Attorney Jim Barry reviewed the Change Order and added an amendment to include a time and materials basis with a maximum cost of \$8269.47. Nolan stated Barry recommends the amendment on the Change Order to insure that time and materials are accurately tracked. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board approved Change Order #3R with added amendment for the Muscatine County Jail Booking Expansion Project in the amount of \$8,269.47. Ayes: All.

Nolan updated the Board on the Muscatine County Jail Booking Expansion project stating a change order will be prepared by the vendor for four access panels for the ceiling in the jail common circulation area based on the initial walk through. Nolan updated the Board on the County Attorney Building Remodel Project which begins in mid-August with expected completion by mid-November.

Sheriff Quinn Riess and Captain Matt McCleary reviewed with the Board the quote from FRIGO Custom Designs of Brewerton, New York to replace/retrofit the shower units in the original 1996 County Jail Facility at a cost of \$230,928.00. Riess stated the shower units are very maintenance intensive with annual stripping and re-epoxy lasting only nine months. Riess stated the units are identified as problematic on the annual Jail Inspection. Riess stated the quote is for stainless steel inserts to be placed in 13 existing shower stalls. Saucedo directed Riess to request FRIGO include more specific plumbing and labor costs and any other potential expenses as the quote presented includes a disclaimer stating *Quote does not include licensed plumbers or electricians (quote to be provided if required). Budget Administrator Sherry Seright stated the cost for this project can be covered by Capital Improvement funds. Seright stated the shower inserts are a specialty item and the limited vendors available were contacted with no other quotes received. Sauer requested Riess contact other FRIGO shower insert customers for a review of the product and installation. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer the Board authorized the expenditure of up to \$8,495.00 for the field measure work with FRIGO Custom Designs and to obtain a full cost quote. Ayes: All.

County Auditor Tibe Vander Linden presented a contract with Cott Systems for service and support in digitizing the Auditor Books in the amount of \$83,030, and \$150 per month for 60 months. The Board consensus was to direct Vander Linden to gather more information and meet with Information Services Director Bill Riley to look into products and licenses with which the County is currently contracted with. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer the Board tabled digitizing the Auditor book. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, minutes of the July 12, 2021 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Holliday received a call from a resident regarding brush to be cleared on Sweetland Road.
Saucedo received a call from a group conducting a study about an indoor sports complex.
Saucedo received an email from Sierra Club regarding a request from Muscatine Power and Water (MPW) for more information on clean energy.

Saucedo received an email from Community Foundation regarding grant writer opportunities.

Saucedo received an email from Mike Nolan with Horizon Architecture.

Mather was directed by Mississippi Valley Workforce Area Board to send a letter to Iowa Governor Reynolds that the South Central District is creating a Center to assist rural governments with grant writing in regards to the Coronavirus Recovery Funds they are receiving.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Holliday attended the Muscatine County Safety Committee meeting on July 14, 2021.

Holliday attended Muscatine County Fair Board meeting on July 15, 2021.

Saucedo attended Greater Muscatine Chamber of Commerce with Economic Development Committee meeting on July 12, 2021.

Mather and Sorensen attended the Muscatine Area Geographic Information Consortium (MAGIC) Board meeting on July 12, 2021.

Mather attended the Mississippi Valley Workforce Area CEO meeting on July 13, 2021.

Mather attended the Muscatine Community Health Association Task Force on July 15, 2021. The Task Force is working on bringing a Community Mental Health Center to Muscatine.

Sorensen attended the State Mental Health and Disability Services Board virtual meeting on July 15, 2021.

Sorensen presented proposed changes to the Muscatine Area Geographic Information Consortium (MAGIC) Memorandum of Understanding and Rules of Procedure. Sorensen explained the proposal is to transition the MAGIC staff to be full-time Muscatine Power & Water (MPW) employees as Muscatine County is presently acting as Employer of Record. Sorensen stated MPW would no longer collect a rent fee from MAGIC and Property and Casualty insurance will be bundled with MPW. Sorensen stated these changes will reduce the operating costs for MAGIC and users will get a lower rate. Sorensen stated Muscatine County will continue to fund MAGIC for benefits of services for County departments. County Attorney James Barry stated the professional liability exposure needs to be clarified with these changes. Sorensen stated no action is needed from the Board at this time in regards to the Memorandum. Seright stated a County usage data review would be helpful for the next budget. Sorensen stated a resolution proposal will be presented at a future Board of Supervisors meeting.

The Board reviewed the health/dental fund balance as of June 30, 2021.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board moved into closed session at 10:36 A.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5 1 (j), Code of Iowa, to discuss the sale of real estate. Roll Call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday, the Board returned to open session at 10:53 A.M. Roll Call vote: Ayes: All.

Barry reviewed Resolution #07-19-21-01 Concerning the Proposed Sale of County Real Property. Barry explained the proposed Resolution is for a sealed bid process at a live auction to sell the Washington Street Facility. The Board reviewed the proposed costs for advertising a live auction vs. listing the property with a realtor. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday, the Board moved to list the property at 1300 Washington Street, Muscatine Iowa with Realtor C.J. Ryan of Ruhl & Ruhl Realtors, with a listing price of \$130,000.00. Ayes: Sorensen, Holliday, Mather. Nays: Saucedo, Sauer.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Santos Saucedo, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors