

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors  
Monday, October 18, 2021

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

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

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, claims dated October 18, 2021 were approved in the amount of \$2,563,655.82. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sorensen, the Board approved the October 11, 2021 regular minutes as amended and approved the minutes of the September 29, 2021 Joint Meeting – Muscatine City Council, Muscatine School Board and Muscatine County Board of Supervisors. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

All Supervisors received COVID updates from Public Health Director Christy Roby-Williams.

All Supervisors received an email from County Auditor Tibe Vander Linden regarding early voting dates for City/School November 2, 2021 election.

All Supervisors received an email from Saucedo regarding the Muscatine County Broadband Expansion. Saucedo reported he contacted Liberty Communications regarding their proposed future outlook for expansion.

All Supervisors received an email from Lori Elam, Director of Eastern Iowa Mental Health and Disability Services Region regarding what services are covered or not covered under the new Iowa law.

Saucedo received a call from Bruce Neibur of American Discovery Trails regarding expansion of trails across the nation and potential trails for Muscatine County.

Saucedo received an email from Muscatine Mayor Diana Broderson regarding the Transfer Station and scheduling future discussions this month.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Saucedo attended the Economic Development Committee meeting on October 11, 2021.

Saucedo attended a meeting with Muscatine Community School Board, Muscatine Community College, Muscatine Trinity Hospital and Muscatine Power and Water regarding potential uses of American Rescue Plan funds.

Mather reported the M.A.G.I.C. Board meeting was cancelled for lack of quorum.

Sorensen attended the Eastern Iowa Mental Health Region meeting on October 7, 2021.

Mather reported Cheryl McCulloh, wife of Waylyn McCulloh, Director of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, passed away due to a short illness. Administrator Director, Nancy Schreiber stated she has sent a sympathy card from the Board.

Discussion was held with Administrative Director Nancy Schreiber regarding the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) for county employees. Schreiber stated the EAP service has been contracted with Genesis for the past 15 years but Personal Assistance Services (PAS) has taken over the Genesis contract. Schreiber stated the PAS contract includes more programs such as on-line services for legal, financial assistance, budgeting and the cost is lower at \$1.76 per employee per month compared to the current Genesis contract at \$3.25 per employee per month. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday, the Board approved an agreement with Personal Assistance Services (PAS) to provide Employee Assistance Program (EAP) services through September 30, 2024. Ayes: All.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 A.M.

ATTEST:

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Tibe Vander Linden  
County Auditor

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Santos Saucedo, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors