

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, February 7, 2022

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

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

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday, claims dated February 7, 2022 were approved in the amount of \$542,074.80. Ayes: All.

Muscatine County Historic Preservation Commissioners Lynn Pruitt and William Koellner presented the Iowa Certified Local Government 2021 Annual Report. On a motion by Mather, second by Sorensen, the Board authorized the Chair to sign the Iowa Certified Local Government 2021 Annual Report for the Muscatine County Historic Preservation. Ayes: All.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas reviewed a Special Use Permit granted by the Muscatine County Board of Adjustment on February 4, 2022. Furnas stated Case #22-02-01 is an application filed by Richard Holmes, Current Record Owner and Chad Sexton, Proposed Record Owner, the property is located in Moscow Township, in the NE ¼ of Sec. 28-T78N-R2W, West of Moscow Road, 2454 140th Street, containing approximately 4.73 acres and is zoned A-1 Agricultural District. Furnas stated this request, if approved, would allow the Zoning Administrator to issue a Special Use Permit for the existing mobile home, located at 2452 140th Street, to remain on the property in order for Mackenzi Proctor and her family to live in. Furnas stated in 1998 the Board of Adjustment allowed a mobile home to be placed on this property for Greg Sexton to live in. The Board of Adjustment approved this request.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved the following utility permit: Windstream Iowa Communications, LLC, Little Rock, Arkansas – bore and place a 100 pair telephone cable crossing Highway 6 and along the west side of Noble Avenue with the cable to then cross Noble Avenue to an existing pedestal near 1185 Noble Avenue. Section 8-T78N-R02W. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Sorensen, the Board awarded a bid for L-(M22-3)—73-70 Bituminous Seal Coat on multiple roads throughout the County. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Resolution #02-07-22-01 Declaring Muscatine County to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary County. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All.

RESOLUTION #02-07-22-01

DECLARING MUSCATINE COUNTY TO BE A SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARY COUNTY

WHEREAS, the right of the people to keep and bear arms is guaranteed as an individual right

under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution, “A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed”; and

WHEREAS, the right of the people to keep and bear arms for the defense of life, liberty, and property is regarded as an inalienable right by the people of Muscatine County, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the people of Muscatine County, Iowa derive economic benefit from all safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting, and shooting conducted within Muscatine County using all types of firearms allowable under the United States Constitution and the laws of the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, Iowa State Senators and State Representatives have also sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, legislation is currently being considered and expected to be proposed by both the Iowa State Legislature and Federal Legislature that potentially seeks to infringe on the constitutionally protected right of citizens to keep and bear arms; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to declare that Muscatine County is a Second Amendment Sanctuary County, as Muscatine County opposes the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon the constitutional right of the people of Muscatine County to keep and bear arms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors hereby declares Muscatine County to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary County, and hereby states its opposition to the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon the constitutional right of the people of Muscatine County to keep and bear arms.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 7th day of February, 2022.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Scott Sauer, Chair
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, minutes of the January 31, 2022 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

All Supervisors received updates from Public Health Director Christy Roby-Williams with COVID updates and a Public Health Announcement.

All Supervisors received numerous emails regarding the 2nd Amendment Declaration.

All Supervisors received numerous emails regarding Edgewater Drive and the bridge over Pike Creek.

Saucedo received an email from the Economic Development Authority on the 2nd Housing Summit scheduled for June 7, 2022.

Saucedo received an email from West Liberty City Manager, David Haugland regarding

the counties allocation process and requirements for applying for American Rescue Plan funds.

Saucedo received an email regarding the geothermal system for the county buildings.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Mather attended the Muscatine Area Geographic Information Consortium (MAGIC) Board election for officers by electronic vote.

Sorensen attended the Eastern Iowa Mental Health Board meeting on February 4, 2022.

Sorensen attended the Muscatine County E911 Board meeting on February 3, 2022.

Sorensen attended the Muscatine County Emergency Management Board meeting on February 3, 2022.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board approved the proposed FY22/23 Muscatine County Budget for publication. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board set a public hearing on the proposed FY22/23 Muscatine County maximum property tax dollars for general county services and rural county services for Monday, February 21, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Mather, second by Saucedo, the Board set a public hearing on the proposed FY21/22 Muscatine County budget amendments for Monday, March 7, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Ayes: All.

Gene Hammons, 1817 Elder Avenue, Nichols, Iowa thanked the Board for approving Resolution #02-07-22-01 Declaring Muscatine County to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary County.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors