

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors  
Monday, March 14, 2022

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

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

A Public Hearing was called to order by Chairperson Sauer at 9:00 A.M. on the proposed FY22/23 Muscatine County Budget. No one spoke for or against the proposal.

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Sorensen, the public hearing was closed at 9:00 A.M. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Resolution #03-14-22-01 Approval of Elected Officials Fiscal Year 22/23 Salaries. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #03-14-22-01**  
**APPROVAL OF ELECTED OFFICIALS FISCAL YEAR 22/23 SALARIES**

WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907; and

WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Compensation Board met on February 16, 2022 and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Current Salary</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Recommended Salary</u>
Auditor	\$77,913	4.0%	\$81,030
County Attorney	\$145,260	4.0%	\$151,070
Recorder	\$77,913	4.0%	\$81,030
Sheriff	\$117,932	8.0%	\$127,367
Supervisors	\$29,304*	4.0%	\$30,476
Treasurer	\$77,913	4.0%	\$81,030

\* Plus \$2,500 for Board Chair and \$1,500 for Vice-Chair.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022:

<u>Elected Official</u>	<u>Approved Salary</u>	<u>Approved Increase</u>
Auditor	\$80,250	3.0%
County Attorney	\$149,618	3.0%

Recorder	\$80,250	3.0%
Sheriff	\$125,008	6.0%
Supervisors	\$29,744*	1.5%
Treasurer	\$80,250	3.0%

\* Plus \$2,500 for Board Chair and \$1,500 for Vice-Chair.

APPROVED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden  
Muscatine County Auditor

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

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Resolution #03-14-22-02 Adopting the Fiscal Year 22/23 County Budget. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All. Budget Administrator Sherry Seright stated Fiscal Year 22/23 budget has a \$.62 Mental Health levy rate reduction and \$.11 Debt Service levy rate reduction for a total levy rate reduction of .73.

**RESOLUTION #03-14-22-02  
ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 COUNTY BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors conducted a public hearing on March 14, 2022, where citizens of Muscatine County were invited to comment on the Fiscal Year 2022/23 budget, as duly published according to Section 331.434(2) of the Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors appreciates comments from the citizens and encourages all citizens to be informed and participate in county government.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors that the Fiscal Year 2022/23 County Budget is adopted as per the Proposed County Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2022/23.

PASSED and APPROVED this 14th day of March, 2022.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden  
Muscatine County Auditor

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

A Public Hearing was called to order by Chairperson Sauer at 9:03 A.M. on the proposed amendments to the Fiscal Year FY21/22 Muscatine County Budget. Accountant/Benefits Coordinator Kala Naber reviewed the proposed amendments to the Fiscal Year FY21/22 Muscatine County Budget. No one spoke for or against the proposal.

Mather joined the meeting at 9:04 A.M.

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Mather, the public hearing was closed at 9:05 A.M. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Resolution #03-14-22-03 Amending the Fiscal Year 21/22 Budget. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #03-14-22-03  
AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has held a Public Hearing pursuant to Chapter 331, Code of Iowa, to amend the Fiscal Year 2021/22 County Budget; and

WHEREAS, the explanation is increased expenditures and revenues during the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, after consideration of all comments at said hearing, the Board of Supervisors has determined that it will be necessary to amend the Fiscal Year 2021/22 budget; and

WHEREAS, the amendment does not increase the taxes to be collected in the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022;

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the following service area expenditures and revenues of the Fiscal Year 2021/22 County Budget be amended:

PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL SERVICES expenditures increased by	\$276,500
PHYSICAL HLTH & SOCIAL SERVICES expenditures increased by	\$356,001
MENTAL HEALTH expenditures increased by	\$2,600,000
COUNTY ENVIRONMENT expenditures increased by	\$44,845
ROADS & TRANSPORTATION expenditures increased by	\$0
GOV'T SERVICES TO RESIDENTS expenditures increased by	\$19,500
ADMINISTRATION expenditures increased by	\$188,850
NONPROGRAM expenditures increased by	\$0
CAPITAL PROJECTS expenditures increased by	\$237,000
DEBT SERVICE expenditures increased by	\$0
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	\$3,722,696

INTERGOVERNMENTAL revenues increased by	\$955,288
CHARGES FOR SERVICES revenues increased by	\$13,000
LICENSES & PERMITS revenues increased by	\$0

USE OF MONEY & PROPERTY revenues decreased by	(\$125,000)
MISCELLANEOUS revenues increased by	\$24,100
PROCEEDS OF FIXED ASSET SALES increased by	\$153,392
LONG TERM DEBT PROCEEDS increased by	<u>\$0</u>
	\$1,020,780

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of March, 2022.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden  
Muscatine County Auditor

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

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Resolution #03-14-22-04 Fiscal Year 21/22 Budget Appropriations. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION # 03-14-22-04  
FY 2021/22 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been held pursuant to Section 331.434(6), Code of Iowa, regarding proposed increases in expenditure amounts for Fiscal Year 2021/22: and

WHEREAS, the amendment does not increase the taxes to be collected in the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021: and

WHEREAS, all comments from the public have been heard;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following amounts be appropriated as follows:

01	Board/Administration	0
02	Auditor	65,250
03	Treasurer	0
04	Attorney	20,200
05	Sheriff	36,006
06	Jail	131,225
07	Recorder	3,600
20	Engineer	0
22	Conservation Board	23,080
24	DHS	0
25	Community Services	0
28	Medical Examiner	42,225
30	Court Services	70,000
31	Board of Health	331,001
51	General Services	53,800
52	Information Services	0

53	Zoning	0
60	Mental Health Administration	2,600,000
99	Nondepartmental	346,309
00	Nonprogram	0
		\$3,722,696

It is further resolved that all appropriations made pursuant to this RESOLUTION lapse at the close of business on June 30, 2022.

Passed and approved this 14th day of March, 2022.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden  
Muscatine County Auditor

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

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board approved Resolution #03-14-22-05 Authorizing Weight Embargoes on Secondary Roads in Muscatine County, Iowa. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION # 03-14-22-05  
AUTHORIZING WEIGHT EMBARGOES ON SECONDARY ROADS  
IN MUSCATINE COUNTY, IOWA**

WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors recognizes that recent weather conditions have caused soft subgrade and surface conditions to develop on some Secondary Roads; and

WHEREAS, Sections 321.236(8), 321.255, 321.471 and 321.473 of the Code of Iowa provide the authority for local authorities to impose restrictions as to the weight of vehicles to be operated on any highway under their jurisdiction and Section 321.463 establishes the penalty for violating said restrictions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Muscatine County, Iowa, that an embargo be authorized where necessary on the Secondary Roads System for Muscatine County. The County Engineer is directed to restrict all traffic to an 11-ton gross load where deemed necessary on certain sections of the road system and to erect signs to advise the traveling public of these limits, in accordance with Section 321.472. If conditions warrant, the embargo is rescinded by the removal of signs by direction of the County Engineer.

Passed and approved this 14th day of March, 2022.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden  
Muscatine County Auditor

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

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Mather, the Board approved the following utility permits: MidAmerican Energy Company, Des Moines, Iowa – relocate existing facilities in conflict with RCB Culvert Replacement on Holly Avenue for project L-(60-3)—73-70, Section 19 & 20-T78N-R03W; Windstream Iowa Communications, LLC, Little Rock, Arkansas – place 12 pair copper telephone cable along the north side of Buchanan Street from an existing pedestal on Ocean Avenue to an existing pedestal at 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Section 9-T78N-R02W and place 12 pair copper telephone cable along the south side of 132<sup>nd</sup> Street between the existing pedestals from the house at 2498 to the house at 2522, Section 21 & 22-T78N-R02W. Ayes: All.

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

White attended the County Engineers ISAC Executive Board meeting electronically on March 11, 2022. White updated the Board on the Federal Highway bill discussion held at the meeting. White stated the Iowa Department of Transportation Swap program will end on January 1, 2023. White reported 245<sup>th</sup> Street, Conesville, Iowa is not suitable for travel due to standing water on the road.

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Sorensen, the Board approved the minutes of the March 7, 2022 regular meeting. Ayes: All.

#### Correspondence:

All Supervisors received an email from County Attorney Jim Barry regarding House File 2430 Compensation Board Bill being considered at the State level.

All Supervisors received an email from County Engineer Keith White regarding the bridge conditions on 245<sup>th</sup> Street, Muscatine, Iowa.

Sauer received a call from a resident regarding brush and tree removal in secondary road ditches and stated the cut wood left in the ditches is free to take.

Saucedo received an email from the Trails Committee stating the county road trails have been updated on Muscatine County Beacon Schneider website.

Saucedo held conversations with two local restaurant owners about the rising cost of food supplies.

Mather held several conversations with residents regarding the bridge conditions on 245<sup>th</sup> Street, Conesville, Iowa.

#### Committees and Meetings:

Mather, Holliday & Saucedo attended the State Audit Exit Conference phone meeting on March 10, 2022.

Sauer & Sorenson attended the State Audit Exit Conference phone meeting on March 11, 2022.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board re-appointed Emily Geertz to the Muscatine County Zoning Board of Adjustment for a five-year term ending March 31, 2027. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board approved a revised Mississippi Valley Workforce Area Chief Elected Official Shared Liability Agreement. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board adopted a revised Jail Commissary Expenditure Policy. Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 A.M.

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Tibe Vander Linden  
County Auditor

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Scott Sauer, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors