

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, April 18, 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 Saucedo, second by Sorensen, claims dated April 18, 2022 were approved in the amount of \$2,404,659.52. Ayes: All.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas reviewed Change Order #4 for the Muscatine County Attorney's Office Remodel Project in the amount of \$973.00 for new tile in the rear entry area to match the existing tile. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday, the Board approved Change Order #4 for the Muscatine County Attorney's Office Remodel Project in the amount of \$973.00. Ayes: All.

Furnas reviewed the Lower Cedar Watershed Management Plan for identifying the potential flood mitigation project areas. The Board identified the following areas in Muscatine County within the Lower Cedar Watershed that frequently experience flooding or water quality issues as 152nd Street, 245th Street, Edgewater Road, Hoot Owl Junction and Hinkeyville.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved the following utility permit: Night Owl Wireless, Walcott, Iowa – install fiber optic cable on portions of 140th Street, Pleasant Prairie Road, 160th Street, Zachary Avenue, 165th Street, Yankee Avenue, 171st Street, 110th Street, Vail Avenue and 120th Street. Ayes: All.

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

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, minutes of the April 11, 2022 regular meeting and the March 30, 2022 Joint Meeting–Muscatine City Council, Muscatine School Board & Muscatine County Board of Supervisors were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

All Supervisors received an email from Lori Elam, CEO with Eastern Iowa Mental Health/Disability Services Region to schedule a meeting with the Board for May 2022.

Saucedo held discussions with several residents regarding the 2022 Muscatine County Assessment Notice.

Saucedo received a call from City of Muscatine Mayor Brad Bark regarding the Muscatine County Diversion Program. Bark stated the program will not be charged fees when refuse is collected by the program and transported to the transfer station. Saucedo stated he will follow up with City of Muscatine regarding county residents and the county secondary roads department as fees are still being charged when debris and trash is transported to the transfer station.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

No meetings to report.

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Mather, the Board accepted a proposal from Price Preservation Research to prepare a National Register Nomination of the Benjamin F. and Susan M. Nichols House, in the amount of \$4,356.00. Ayes: All.

Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber reviewed the health/dental fund balance as of March 31, 2022. Schreiber stated the funds are building balances which is a positive outcome based on current escalating medical costs.

Sheriff Quinn Riess reviewed the Muscatine County Diversion Program and the recent refuse picked up on Pettibone Avenue. Riess stated the program was billed a fee at the transfer station for transporting the debris. Riess stated the program contacted Muscatine Mayor Brad Bark and it was agreed the program will not be assessed for refuse collected in the corridor areas close to the city.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board went into closed session at 9:21 A.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5.1 (h), Code of Iowa, to discuss specific law enforcement matters. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Saucedo, second by Mather, the Board returned to open session at 10:20 A.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors