

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, June 13, 2022

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

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

Mather joined the meeting at 9:01 A.M.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, claims dated June 13, 2022, were approved in the amount \$338,523.02. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved the renewal of an Iowa Retail Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Permit for Stewart Road Truck Stop, dba Reif Oil Company, 801 N. 3rd St., Burlington, Iowa. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Sorensen, minutes of the June 6, 2022 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

All Supervisors received an email from County Auditor Tibe Vander Linden regarding the Post-Election Audit held on June 10, 2022 with Secretary of State Paul Pate in attendance. The audit of Moscow precinct was audited and the results of the audit matched the results on election night.

All Supervisors received an email from Susan Johannsen from League of Women Voters stating a public meeting to discuss the County's water quality will be held at Musser Public Library on June 28, 2022.

Saucedo received a call with a complaint of cars parked on the highway in Montpelier, Iowa.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Sorensen and Saucedo attended a Housing Summit on June 7, 2022.

Holliday stated the WMT Great Eastern Iowa Tractorcade at Muscatine County Fairgrounds started on June 12, 2022 and continues through June 15, 2022.

Discussion was held with Wilton City Administrator Jeff Horne regarding a Destination Iowa trail project on Highway Y14 from 180th Street to 110th Street. Horne stated Wilton City Council has recently reviewed the project as it has been included in the 2019 Trail Project. Horne stated the recent American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds from the State of Iowa and possible funds from Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) are being considered for this regional trail connector. Horne stated the trail will be an asphalt shoulder. Horne requested support from the Board and stated no definite decisions have been made at this time. Sorensen asked if the cost of maintenance for this trail has been discussed and what county budgets would be affected or need to be set up. Horne stated the City of Wilton discussions have not included maintenance costs or upkeep. Budget Administrator Sherry Seright stated typically the county maintenance funds for

this type of project would be set up under the Rural Services budget or the Board can designate another budget. The consensus from the Board was to support the proposed trail project at this time.

Muscatine Police Sergeant John Hesling presented a slideshow on the combined City/County Muscatine Special Operations Response Team (MSORT) established in 2018. Hesling stated MSORT is hands on training to utilize high risk police tactics, resolve hostage situations, sniper incidents and negotiations. The MSORT team is part of the National Tactical Officers Association (NTOA) and is Tier 2 Qualified. MSORT will hold a public demonstration on June 22, 2022 at 1935 Trolley Avenue from 5:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Resolution #06-13-22-01 Suspending the Collection of Taxes. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All.

RESOLUTION #06-13-22-01
RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES

WHEREAS, notice from the Director of Human Services has been received regarding the eligibility of Cheryl Hooker, Muscatine, Iowa, (the ‘recipient’) for medical and facility care; and

WHEREAS, as such recipient of such assistance is deemed to be unable to contribute to the public revenue pursuant to Section 427.9, Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the recipient is the owner of property described as follows:

Address: 1015 Kammerer Ct, Muscatine, IA 52761
Parcel No: 01560163J
Legal Description: 70AB75421 1975 SKL
MOBILE HOME 01560163J
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KAMMERERS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors:

1. That the County Treasurer is hereby ordered to suspend the collection of all taxes, including special assessments, rates or charges, interest, fees and costs for the current year and those unpaid from prior years. As long as the petitioner is authorized by DHS no interest accrues during suspension but payments can be made.
2. If the parcel is sold, passes by bequest or inheritance to any person other than the spouse or minor child of the petitioner, all taxes and special assessments become due and payable by the next semi-annual installment date. Interest at the rate of 1 ½% per month will start on the next delinquency date after the suspended taxes become due.

Passed and approved this 13th day of June, 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 Sorensen, the Board approved Resolution #06-13-22-02 Abating Interest and Additional Costs: Unknown Owner Parcels as amended to include Abatement of Taxes. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #06-13-22-02
ABATING TAXES, INTEREST AND ADDITIONAL COSTS:
UNKNOWN OWNER PARCELS**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Muscatine:

1. That pursuant to a request by the Muscatine County Treasurer, attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference, taxes, interest and additional costs accrued, due and owing on the properties described on the request through tax year 2020 are hereby abated.
2. That pursuant to a request by the Muscatine County Treasurer, attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference, taxes, interest and additional costs accrued, due and owing on the properties described on the request for the 2021 tax year are either hereby abated or the Assessor shall list them at zero dollars (\$0.00).
3. That pursuant to a request by the Muscatine County Treasurer, attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference, taxes, interest and additional costs which may accrue, become due and/or owing on the properties described on the request for the 2022 tax year or applicable portion thereof are either hereby abated or the Assessor shall list them at zero dollars (\$0.00) at the point in time when the property is placed back on the tax rolls by the County.
4. That the Treasurer is hereby directed to strike the amount due from the tax rolls.

Passed and approved this 13th day of June, 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 Revised Resolution #06-13-22-03 Abating Taxes, Interest and Additional Costs: Unknown Owner Parcels. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #06-13-22-03
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UNKNOWN OWNER PARCELS**

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On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved an agreement between Eastern Iowa Community College District/Muscatine Community College and Muscatine County to provide video production services for the period 7/1/2022 through 6/30/2025. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sorensen, the Board authorized the Chair to execute the FY 22/23 Contract for Specialized Transportation services with River Bend Transit, in the amount of \$7,000.00. Ayes: All.

Board discussion was held regarding the process/criteria for allocating the second half of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Recovery Funds which has been received in the amount of \$4,143,491.00.

The Board consensus regarding the process/criteria for allocating the second half of the ARPA funds was to offer a funding request form for entities to submit their project information and fund requests based on their estimated project cost. The Board stated that during the first round of ARPA funds, an ARPA request form was made available in December 2021 and included a deadline for submissions of January 13, 2022. The Board stated the second half of allocating the ARPA funds will be with a funding request form which should include a deadline submission date (to be determined) and the request form should include language stating the” ARPA funded projects are to be for the benefit of Muscatine County”.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors