

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, October 23, 2023

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. with Chick, Kirchner, Mather, Sauer 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 Kirchner, the Board approved to waive the requirement for three readings and to approve Ordinance #10-23-23-01 Rezoning Certain Real Property in Sweetland Township from A-1 Agricultural District Zoning Classification to R-1 Residential District Zoning Classification on the second and final reading. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

Jail Administrator Matt McCleary reviewed the Certasite Jail System Replacement Project with the Board. McCleary stated the additional equipment and services listed on the change order are due to existing ground faults being inaccessible and additional dampers installed.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Chick the Board approved Change Order Request Number 1 in the amount of \$14,700.00 for the Certasite Jail Fire System Replacement Project. Ayes: All.

Mike Nolan, Horizon Architecture, reviewed Service Order 23-004 - Muscatine County Jail Mechanical Penthouse Access Panels and Platform Modification Project. Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber stated this project is not part of the current Capital Projects Plan; however, funds were borrowed and budgeted for another project (Jail Bathroom Project), which the Sheriff has indicated is less pressing and could be delayed to a later date. Schreiber stated Budget Administrator Kala Naber has contacted bond counsel and determined there is a process for reallocating funds to other project(s) such as the two service orders on today's agenda.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board approved Service Order 23-004 – Muscatine County Jail Mechanical Penthouse Access Panels and Platform Modification Project, in the amount of \$9,500.00, and authorize staff to proceed with the project. Ayes: All.

Nolan held discussion with the Board regarding the Muscatine County Exterior Insulated Metal Panel Installation Project, which is included in the current Capital Projects Plan. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Chick, the Board approved Service Order 23-005 – Muscatine County Jail Exterior Insulated Metal Panel Installation, in the amount of \$27,500. Ayes: All.

County Engineer Bryan Horesowsky reviewed the quote request to purchase two 2025 Dump Truck Cab and Chassis stating the total price for two 2025 Mack Granite 64 BR Dump Trucks is \$303,878.00 with potential dump truck trades which will reduce the total price at the time of delivery and trades.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board approved the purchase of two 2025

Dump Truck Cab and Chassis at a total price of \$303,878.00 from H & L Mack, Mediapolis, Iowa. Ayes: All.

Horesowsky reviewed the equipment delivery of a motor grader received last week and stated the delivery took twelve months to receive. Horesowsky stated prior motor grader deliveries were taking 17 months, so it appears equipment availability is improving.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Chick, the Board approved the minutes of the October 16, 2023, regular meeting. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

All Supervisors received an invitation to an Open House for the Stanley Center for Peace and Security to be held October 26, 2023.

Mather received a question from a resident regarding the Muscatine County Clean Energy District and county government and if there is any affiliation between the two. Mather stated to the resident there is no affiliation.

Chick received a call from Rebecca Paulsen from Greater Muscatine Chamber of Commerce and Industry regarding a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) request for the possibility for residential lot development. After further discussion with the board, the consensus was to research the subject and when further information is available to present as an agenda item at a future meeting.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Sorensen attended an Eastern Iowa Mental Health Region meeting on October 16, 2023.

Mather attended a Wilton Chamber and Development Alliance meeting on October 18, 2023.

Mather attended a Muscatine County Veterans Affairs meeting on October 18, 2023.

Sauer attended a Muscatine County Conservation Board meeting on October 16, 2023

Sauer attended a River Bend Transit Board of Directors meeting on October 18, 2023.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Kirchner, the Board approved Resolution #10-23-23-01 Transferring Funds from the GIS Fund to the General Basic Fund in the amount of \$1,333. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

RESOLUTION # 10-23-23-01

TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE GIS FUND TO THE GENERAL BASIC FUND

WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the Auditor to transfer from the GIS Fund to the General Basic Fund, due to the Auditor's Office absorbing the Parcel Builder portion of the GIS budget; and

WHEREAS, said transfers must be in accordance with Sections 331.429 and 331.432 of the Code of Iowa.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors that the Auditor is authorized to transfer \$1,333 from the GIS Fund to the General Basic Fund.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of October, 2023.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden
Muscatine County Auditor

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

On a motion by Mather, second by Sorensen, the Board approved Resolution #10-23-23-02 Transferring Funds from the GIS Fund to the Rural Services Fund in the amount of \$1,333. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

RESOLUTION # 10-23-23-02

TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE GIS FUND TO THE RURAL SERVICES FUND

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Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber stated the Board has two appointments to fill for the Compensation Board as the seats are currently vacant. The appointees should be gender balanced meaning one male appointee and one female appointee is recommended.

Sheriff Quinn Riess updated the Board on the Accurate Controls Project stating the completion of the project is expected within the week

Planning and Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas held discussion with the Board regarding the Muscatine County Wind Energy Ordinance. Furnas has received concerns from one citizen

regarding the current wording of the ordinance (which was passed in 2016). Furnas stated a State Director for Center for Infrastructure and Economic Development has offered a free analysis of the current ordinance. The Board consensus was to contact the director to conduct a free analysis.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board went into closed session at 9:36 A.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5.1 (j), Code of Iowa, to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for the property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for the property. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Chick, the Board returned to open session at 10:09 A.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors