

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, July 29, 2024

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

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

Muscatine Police Department Assistant Chief Steve Snider updated the Board on the City/County joint law enforcement and range training facility project. Snider stated the project is currently looking at ground at the City of Muscatine Airport property. Snider stated a City Planning and Zoning meeting has been held and an on-site visit from surrounding neighbors that included a walk through at the site. Snider stated the second reading for a city ordinance is in process. Snider stated the City of Muscatine is entering into a contract with an engineering firm to complete the final design and layout of a full functioning facility with a training building and also will include a 100-yard and a 50-yard shooting range. Once the final design is completed the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will need to make final approval on the facility. Chick questioned if the facility is to be as a joint owner with City of Muscatine and Muscatine County. Snider stated he is under the impression the facility will be a joint venture and stated the property is city owned which allows for some cost saving measures that can be used in other parts of the proposed project/facility. Snider stated he attended an Airport Commission meeting last week and they are in support of the project. Chick asked what neighbors were contacted. Snider stated by city code they were required to notify property owners within 200 feet of the property, however they notified everyone within a half mile. Snider stated the meeting was well attended and attendees were in support of the facility and the layout. Chick stated his concern as the Board experienced disgruntled property owners earlier this year, who voiced their concerns of living within a two-mile radius (of a proposed shooting range which was located in a different area of the county). Snider presented a handout to show a conceptual layout of the facility. The Board thanked Snider for his presentation.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sauer, the Board approved Ordinance #07-29-24-01 Rezoning the area Consisting of lots 37-44 of Kent Estates Chatham Addition in Bloomington Township from R-1 Residential District to R-2 Residential District on the third and final reading. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

On a motion by Chick, second by Kirchner, the Board approved Resolution #07-29-24-01 Granting an Extension to Record the Approved Replat of Lots 1 and 2 of Salvatore's Subdivision and Parcel J. Roll call vote: Ayes: Kirchner, Chick, Sorensen, Sauer. Nays: 0. Mather abstained from the vote due to client conflict.

RESOLUTION #07-29-24-01
RESOLUTION GRANTING EXTENSION FOR FILING OF REPLAT OF LOTS 1 AND
2 OF SALVATORE'S SUBDIVISION AND PARCEL J

WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors approved the preliminary and final plat of the Salvatore's Subdivision on August 14, 2023 and approved a 90-day extension on March 11, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 1.7 of the Muscatine County Subdivision Ordinance requires recording of the final plat within 90 days of its approval; and

WHEREAS, the final plat was not recorded within the 90-day window of the original approval nor within the 90-day extension; and

WHEREAS, owing to an additional period of time being needed to file the final plat; and

WHEREAS, the attorney representing the owners has submitted a written request for an extension after the 90-day filing period has expired and has paid the \$100 fee, as required by Section 1.7.

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

1. That Nathan Mather, attorney for the Salvatore's Subdivision owners, is granted an additional 90 days to file the final plat and otherwise comply with the subdivision ordinance.

Passed and approved this 29th day of July, 2024.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Jeff Sorensen, Chair
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

Planning and Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas reviewed a summary memo prepared by Renaissance Historic Exteriors regarding Change Order #2 for the clock tower portion of the Courthouse Roof Project. The memo stated "with the existing copper shingles removed from the clock tower roof we had the opportunity to inspect the condition of the concrete deck. It appears as though there was an initial pour of concrete, with a secondary parge coating applied to smooth out the surface as much as possible. The existing surface has several pitted spots where chunks of material were loose and have fallen out. There are also other spots where the top parge coating has separated from the underlying layer. This was identified by tapping the surface with a hammer and hearing a hollow sound. There are also a few sections with deep cracks that penetrate deep into the concrete, if not all the way through. Based on the current conditions we recommend installing a (1 x 4 vertical & horizontal) wood batten system over the concrete deck. This would be installed after some minor repairs were made to the concrete deck (filling voids, cracks, etc.), the ice and water shield primer applied and the ice and water shield underlayment applied over the entire deck. The batten system will limit the number of penetrations required through the concrete deck

and will provide a solid, consistent substrate for securing the copper shingles to.” Furnas stated the proposal has been reviewed and recommended by Mike Nolan, Horizon Architecture.

On a motion by Chick, second by Mather, the Board approved Change Order #2 for the Courthouse Roof Project, in the amount of \$18,105.79. Ayes: All.

Furnas gave an overall update with the Board regarding the Courthouse Roof Project. Furnas stated they discovered during the uncovering that the original slate tiles were still under the wood deck which raised concerns of the structural integrity of the roof and whether it would hold the load of the existing slate tiles, a wood deck and another layer of stone slate. Nolan and his engineering firm completed core sampling and calculations have determined the original slate tiles and wood deck will not have to be removed.

County Engineer Bryan Horesowsky presented the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) bid letting results for Project BROS-C070(71)--8J-70, Bridge Replacement - PPCB on Trolley Avenue, near SE corner NE-NE, S27-T77N-R1W. Horesowsky stated the letting process was completed by the Iowa DOT as it is a federal project. The three lowest bids are as follows: Iowa Bridge & Culvert, L.C. - \$665,057.60; Jim Schroeder construction, Inc.- \$668,768.90 and Taylor Construction- \$725,279.50. Horesowsky recommended accepting a bid and awarding a contract to Iowa Bridge & Culvert, L.C. bid at \$665,057.60

On a motion by Mather, second by Chick, the Board approved Resolution #07-29-24-02 Accepting a Bid and Awarding a Contract for Project BROS-C070(71)--8J-70, Bridge Replacement - PPCB on Trolley Avenue, near SE corner NE-NE, S27-T77N-R1W to Iowa Bridge & Culvert, L.C., in the amount of \$665,057.60 and authorized the County Engineer to Electronically Execute the Contract Documents. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

RESOLUTION # 07-29-24-02
ACCEPTING A BID AND AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR PROJECT
BROS-C070(71)--8J-70, BRIDGE REPLACEMENT - PPCB ON TROLLEY
AVENUE, NEAR SE CORNER NE-NE, S27-T77N-R1W IN MUSCATINE COUNTY,
IOWA AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO ELECTRONICALLY
EXECUTE THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as “the Board”, believes that the Trolley Avenue Bridge Replacement - PPCB, hereafter referred to as “the project” is in the best interest of Muscatine County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as a Bridge Replacement - PPCB on Trolley Avenue, near SE corner NE-NE, S27-T77N-R1W; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Muscatine County, Iowa, to accept the bid from Iowa Bridge & Culvert, L.C. in the amount of \$665,057.60 and awards the associated contract to the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, that Bryan Horesowsky, PE, the Muscatine County Engineer for Muscatine County, Iowa, is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Passed and approved this 29th day of July, 2024.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Jeff Sorensen, Chair
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Sauer, second by Chick, the Board approved the two utility permits with Eastern Iowa Light & Power, Wilton, Iowa – bore two-to-three-inch ducts on Jewett Avenue from an existing pole on the west side, to the east, into the private property at 1937 Jewett Avenue. with 12,500V three phase cable for a new three phase service to a new grain bin site, T-77-N R-2-W, Lake Township, Section 22 and bore two-inch one phase 7200V cable across Iron City Avenue, T77M-R3W-Section 20. Ayes: All.

Horesowsky updated the Board on secondary road projects. Sorensen requested an update on the Muscatine Island Levee Improvement Project. Horesowsky stated he attended a construction project meeting last week. The construction was started on July 24, 2024, with hauling sand (using the Pettibone Avenue crossing) for Feature 1. Horesowsky stated the sand hauling is expected to take one and a half to two months.

On a motion by Chick, second by Sauer, the Board approved for publication the Muscatine County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report for the period January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

On a motion by Mather, second by Kirchner, the Board approved the minutes of the July 22, 2024 regular meeting. Ayes: All.

Correspondence.

All Supervisors received an email from Taylor Collins, Iowa State Representative District 95, regarding the bridge replacement on U.S. Highway 6.

Sauer received an email from a citizen regarding the 245th Street bridge in Conesville, Iowa. Sorensen, Chick and Kirchner received an email from Chuck Houseman regarding the 245th Street bridge status.

Committee Reports.

Kirchner attended a West Liberty Economic Area Development (WELEAD) meeting on July 25, 2024.

Chick attended a Mississippi Valley Workforce Area Finance meeting on July 24, 2024.

Chick attended a Muscatine Veteran's Networking meeting on July 24, 2024.

Sorensen attended a Region 9 Transportation Policy meeting on July 24, 2024.

Sorensen attended a Bi-State Regional Planning Commission meeting on July 24, 2024.

Mather attended a Community Action of Eastern Iowa meeting for 2025 strategic planning on July 25, 2024.

Sauer attended a Courthouse Security meeting on July 26, 2024.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sauer, the Board accepted July 2024 payroll claims. Ayes: All.

Horesowsky stated he received an email this morning from Taylor Collins, Iowa State Representative regarding the U.S. Highway 6 construction, east of West Liberty. Horesowsky stated his department has received no correspondence from the Iowa DOT regarding the construction and he plans to contact the Iowa DOT with road detour concerns. Mather requested that Horesowsky send his concerns to the Board in order for the Board to respond to Collins' email.

The Board recessed at 9:36 A.M. The Board reconvened at 9:40 A.M.

On a motion by Mather, second by Chick, the Board went into Closed session at 9:40 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 Chick, second by Kirchner, the Board returned to open session at 10:00 A.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sauer, the Board went into Non-public session at 10:07 A.M. pursuant to Chapter 20.17(3), Code of Iowa, to discuss strategy in union negotiations. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Mather, second by Kirchner, the Board returned to open session at 11:11 A.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Jeff Sorensen, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors