

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, June 15, 2026

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

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

A Public Hearing was called to order by Chairperson Chick at 9:01 A.M. on a proposal to enter into a Federal Obligation Loan Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$225,000 to finance the Engineer Satellite Facility Project. Administration and Finance Director Kala Naber stated this is to finance the rest of the Engineer Facility Project because the bids came in higher than anticipated. There were no verbal or written objections, questions or concerns from the Board or the public.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Kirchner, the public hearing was closed at 9:04 A.M. on the proposal to enter into a Federal Obligation Loan Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$225,000 to finance the Engineer Satellite Facility Project. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Kirchner, the Board approved Resolution #06-15-26-01 Taking Action on Proposal to Enter into a General Obligation Loan Agreement. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

RESOLUTION #06-15-26-01
TAKING ACTION ON PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO A GENERAL OBLIGATION
LOAN AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the “Board”) of Muscatine County, Iowa (the “County”) proposed to enter into a General Obligation Loan Agreement (the “Loan Agreement”) and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$225,000, pursuant to the provisions of Section 331.402 of the Code of Iowa, for the purpose of paying the cost, to that extent, of constructing, furnishing & equipping a satellite building for the County Engineer’s Office, and pursuant to law and duly published notice of the proposed action has held a hearing thereon on June 15, 2026; and

WHEREAS, a certain bid sheet and term letter (the “Bid Sheet and Term Letter”) have been prepared for circulation to potential lenders under the Loan Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Muscatine County, Iowa, as follows:

- Section 1. The Board hereby determines to enter into the Loan Agreement in the future and orders that General Obligation County Purpose Bonds or Notes (the “Bonds”) be issued at such time, in evidence thereof. The Board of Supervisors further declares that this resolution constitutes the “additional action” required by Section 384.24A of the Code of Iowa.

Section 2 The Bid Sheet and Term Letter are hereby approved, in substantially the form and content as has been presented to the Board. The Administration and Finance Director is hereby authorized to circulate the Bid Sheet and Term Letter to potential lenders for the placement of the Loan Agreement and to take such additional action as shall be deemed necessary and appropriate, with assistance from Dorsey & Whitney, LLP, to set June 29, 2026 as the date for the receipt of proposals for such placement. All action heretofore taken in this regard is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 3. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval, as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of June, 2026.

ATTEST:

Brandy Harfst
2nd Deputy Auditor

Danny Chick, Chairperson
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

Emergency Management Manager Chris Jasper presented awards to recognize Gunner Skidmore and Kohen Chick for their life saving actions taken on Tuesday, June 9, 2026. Jasper stated that Skidmore and Chick had heard an elderly woman yelling for assistance after she had fallen in her yard and had remained in her yard for approximately 16 hours. Skidmore and Chick immediately took action to summon for help and 911 was called. Jasper stated that without the prompt actions of Skidmore and Chick, the outcome could have been tragic and that their awareness, compassion and willingness to help a person in need undoubtedly made a difference and very well may have saved her life. Jasper presented Skidmore and Chick on behalf of the Muscatine County Emergency Management department with certificates and a Hero medal as recognition for their heroic actions.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Kirchner, the Board approved the Chair to sign a letter confirming Community Services Director Jessica Bopes' authorization to act as guardian and conservator for Muscatine County clients. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved action to award early vacation accrual increases for ILEA certified Sheriff's Office Command Staff effective July 1, 2026. Ayes: All.

County Conservation Director Katie Hammond held discussion with the Board regarding a 1989 Ford E350 bus, Samsung dishwasher and a Whirlpool gas stove that is currently being held in storage with no intention of putting the items in to use within the department. Hammond

requested to label the items as surplus so that it could be available to sell via sealed bids on Facebook Marketplace.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Kirchner, the Board approved to declare a 1989 Ford E350 bus, Samsung dishwasher and a Whirlpool gas stove as surplus County property. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved Change Order #2 in the credited amount of \$2,570.74 with Heuer Construction, Muscatine, for the Downtown Parking Lot and Sidewalks Project. Ayes: All.

County Development Director Eric Furnas held discussion with the Board to review a Special Use Permit for a telecommunications transmission tower granted by the Muscatine County Board of Adjustment on June 5, 2026. Furnas stated the Muscatine County Board of Adjustment approved the telecommunications transmission tower at 1676 180th Street, Muscatine with a stipulation because the original site plan that was submitted by the company did not meet the ordinance standards of 1.1 times the tower height set back from any property lines, structures or road right of way. Furnas stated there were several structures on the property that were less than 1.1 times the tower height, however those structures will be demolished prior to construction.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Sorensen, the Board approved the minutes of the June 8, 2026 regular meeting and the minutes of the June 9, 2026 special meeting. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Sauer attended the ribbon cutting for the Kent's new World's Best Cat Litter plant on June 11, 2026.

Sorensen attended a cancer presentation sponsored by Public Health on June 9, 2026.

Kirchner stated that stockcar races will be held at 6:30 P.M. at the Muscatine County Fairgrounds on June 16, 2026.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Chick attended the CEO meeting for Eastern Iowa Workforce Development on June 9, 2026.

Sorensen attended the Ports of Eastern Iowa Authority Board meeting on June 10, 2026.

Sauer attended the Region 9 Transportation Policy Board meeting on June 11, 2026.

Naber held discussion with the Board stating that HF2490 was signed by the Governor, making changes to meeting notices. Naber stated that it is now required to publicly designate agenda posting locations annually.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Kirchner, the Board approved Resolution #06-15-26-02 Designating Board of Supervisors Meeting Agenda Posting Locations for 2026. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

RESOLUTION #06-15-26-02

**DESIGNATING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING AGENDA POSTING
LOCATIONS FOR 2026**

Be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Muscatine County, Iowa that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 21.4 of the Code of Iowa, the following locations be designated as official posting locations for Muscatine County Board of Supervisors meeting agendas for 2026:

Muscatine County Administration Building Public Bulletin Board
Muscatine County Website

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County Engineer Bryan Horesowsky updated the Board on secondary road projects.

The Board went into Non-public session pursuant to Chapter 20.17(3), Code of Iowa, to discuss strategy in union negotiations at 9:32 A.M. The Board returned to open session at 9:42 A.M.

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

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Danny Chick, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors