

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, October 5, 2026

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

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

Director of Public Health Jen Craft presented the Public Health System Alignment Phase 1- Planning, Funding and Timeline; Phase 2- Implementation of District Plan, with key points for implementation and funding to occur January 1, 2027 to June 30, 2028. Craft reviewed the statewide plan designed to guide district plan development and stated no changes to current local public health funding strategies will occur before July 1, 2028. Craft stated the responsibilities will still occur at the local level and with local needs. Craft stated Black Hawk County will be the lead entity for the district. The Board held discussion regarding Phase 1 and Phase 2 as presented.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved the following utility permit with County Engineer Bryan Horesowsky: Windstream Iowa Communications, Little Rock, Arkansas- place approximately 300 feet of copper cable from terminal and under Vail Avenue to 1029 Vail Avenue, Durant, Iowa. Section 1-T78N-R01W and Section 6-T78N-R01E. Ayes: All.

Horesowsky updated the Board on secondary road projects.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Kirchner, the Board approved the minutes of the September 28, 2026, regular meeting. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Chick received text messages from Andy Moore. Chick referred the messages to County Engineer Bryan Horesowsky.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Chick attending a Housing Council meeting on September 30, 2026.

Sorensen and Sauer attended a Region 9 Transportation Policy Board meeting on September 30, 2026. Sorensen stated the 30-day closure (approximate) of Illinois Highway 92 bridge for spring 2027 was discussed.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sorensen the Board approved Resolution #10-05-26-01 Transferring Funds in the amount of \$300,000 from the General Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION # 10-05-26-01
TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL BASIC FUND TO THE
SECONDARY ROADS FUND**

WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the Auditor periodically to transfer sums from the General Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund; 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 \$300,000 from the General Basic Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of October, 2026.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Danny Chick, Chairperson
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Kirchner, the Board approved Resolution #10-05-26-02 Transferring Funds in the amount of \$1,155,000 from the Rural Services Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION # 10-05-26-02
TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE RURAL SERVICES FUND TO THE
SECONDARY ROADS FUND**

WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the Auditor periodically to transfer sums from the Rural Services Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund; 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 \$1,155,000 from the Rural Services Fund to the Secondary Roads Fund.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of October, 2026.

ATTEST:

/s/Tibe Vander Linden
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Danny Chick, Chairperson
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

County Auditor Tibe Vander Linden requested to hire a replacement Real Estate/Elections Clerk at Grade 8/Step 3 as the new hire has county experience and the former employee in this position was paid at Grade 8/Step 3. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board approved a hiring request for a Real Estate/Elections Clerk at Grade 8/Step 3 for the Auditor's office effective October 3, 2026. Ayes: All.

Vander Linden stated early in person voting in the Auditor's office for the 2026 General Election will start on Wednesday, October 14, 2026, and end on November 2, 2026. The Auditor's office will be open Monday to Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. The Auditor's office will also be open for early voting on Saturday, October 24, 2026, from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. as a Satellite voting station and open Saturday, October 31, 2026 from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Vander Linden stated the full schedule of Satellite locations and voting hours are posted on the county website, bulletin boards and published in the Muscatine Journal and Wilton Advocate newspapers.

Sorensen stated there is no word on when the Ports of Eastern Iowa PDIP grant will be awarded.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Danny Chick, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors