

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, June 16, 2014

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

On a motion by Kelly, second by Furlong, the agenda was approved as written. Ayes: All.

Discussion was held with Shannon McNaul, West Liberty Economic Area Development (WELEAD), regarding a request to approve a Mercer-Muscatine Revolving Loan Fund match for a local business expansion. McNaul stated that \$40,000, available through the Mercer-Muscatine Revolving Loan Fund, would be utilized by Feldman Performance in West Liberty to improve his existing business through new construction and expansion of services offered with the addition of three jobs. McNaul stated the required local match is \$10,000 of which West Liberty would contribute \$2,000. On a motion by Kelly, second by Furlong, the Board approved a Mercer-Muscatine Revolving Loan Fund match for a local business expansion in the amount of \$8,000; the remaining \$2,000 of the local match is to be funded by the City of West Liberty. Ayes: All.

The Board reviewed variances granted by the Muscatine County Board of Adjustment on Friday, June 6, 2014. Case #14-06-01 is an application filed by Kenneth L. or Judy K. Snyder, Record Owners. This property is located in Sweetland Township, in the SW ¼ of Sec. 30-T77N-R1E, Parcel B, between Hwy. 22 and the Mississippi River, containing approximately 2.22 acres, and is zoned C-1 Commercial District. This request, if approved, would allow the Zoning Administrator to issue a Variance in order for the Snyder's to build a rural residence on this property for their personal use. Judy Snyder, 3390 Hwy 22, stated that when this was originally approved in 1995, they received a letter after it was approved stating they needed 150 foot frontage. Snyder stated they contacted past Zoning Administrator Verne Fuegen who told them since it was zoned commercial, they did not need the frontage. Snyder stated they are trying to purchase the required frontage. Steve Kundel, attorney for Kenneth and Judy Snyder, stated the parcel needed for the frontage is zoned commercial, but never used as commercial. Kundel stated that the owner of that parcel is having trouble finding someone willing to appraise it as a commercial property. Kelly asked why they do not apply for a change in the zoning from commercial to residential. Zoning Administrator Jodee Stepleton stated the owner would have to agree to have it changed. Case #14-06-02 is an application filed by Kenneth L. or Judy K. Snyder, Record Owners. This property is located in Sweetland Township, in the SW ¼ of Sec. 30-T77N-R1E, Parcel B, between Hwy. 22 and the Mississippi River, containing approximately 2.22 acres, and is zoned C-1 Commercial District. This request, if approved, would allow the Zoning Administrator to issue a Variance in order for the Snyder's to build a one family dwelling without having the required 150 foot frontage. On a motion by Furlong, second by Kelly, the Board accepted both variances. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Furlong, second by Sorensen, the Board approved a proposed re-plat of Lots 7 & 8, Walnut Creek Estates, containing approximately 3.36 acres in Fruitland Township. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Furlong, the Board approved Resolution #06-16-14-01 Approval of Final Re-Plat of Lots 7 & 8, Walnut Creek Estates. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Furlong, the Board approved renewal of an Iowa Retail Cigarette/Tobacco Permit for Reif Oil Co., dba Stewart Road Fast Break, 2418 Stewart Road, Muscatine, IA 52761. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Kelly, the Board approved renewal of an Iowa Retail Cigarette/Tobacco Permit for Casey's Marketing Company, dba Casey's General Store #2472, 1334 Hwy 22, Nichols, IA 52766. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, minutes of the Monday, June 9, 2014 regular meeting were approved as amended and minutes of the Tuesday, June 10, 2014 special meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Sauer reported several calls regarding road conditions.

Sorensen reported contacts regarding Zoning issues which he referred to the Zoning Office.

Sorensen reported contacts regarding the Veteran Affairs position.

Howard reported a call from Mr. Baxter on Vail Avenue regarding loss of his goats and potential legal action.

Committee Reports:

Sorensen and Kelly attended a MAGIC meeting June 9th.

Kelly attended a Seventh Judicial District meeting June 13th.

On a motion by Furlong, second by Sorensen, the Board authorized the Chair to execute a renewal of the Employee Assistance Program Service Agreement with Genesis Health System. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Kelly, a fireworks permit for Kevin Ellsworth was approved. Ayes: All

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board re-appointed Mary Friederichs to Benefited Fire District #6 for a three-year term ending June 30, 2017 as also approved by Scott County. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Sorensen, the Board went into closed session at 9:41 A.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5.1(i), Code of Iowa, for a performance evaluation. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Furlong, second by Sorensen, the Board returned to open session at 12:26 P.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:27 P.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

Robert E. Howard, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors