

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, February 15, 2016

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in regular session with Howard, Kelly, Sorensen, Sauer and Bonebrake present. Chairperson Sorensen presiding.

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

On a motion by Howard, second by Sauer, claims dated February 15, 2016 were approved in the amount of \$261,795.49. Ayes: All.

Eric Schlutz, George Granberg and Melissa Streeter of Ruhl & Ruhl Realtors presented credentials and a proposed marketing strategy for the possible sale of County-owned buildings. Schlutz stated he would suggest a couple commercial appraisals to establish specific uses in order to develop a pricing strategy. Schlutz stated the fee would be 6% on the gross sale price plus possible surveying and normal closing costs.

Anna Mack of Pearl City Iowa Realty presented credentials and a proposed marketing strategy for the possible sale of County-owned buildings. Mack stated the property could be an opportunity to develop mid-range condos. Mack stated she would not do a survey until an offer is on the table in order to be flexible on how much land will be sold with the building. Mack stated the fee would be 6% on the gross sale price plus normal closing costs. Mack would suggest a market analysis at no charge to establish a price.

County Engineer Keith White presented the following bid for the purchase of two tandem/truck cab units from Twin Bridges Truck City: 2 - 2017 Mack GU813 at a cost of \$119,125 each less a potential trade allowance of \$22,000 for a 2000 Sterling L7501. Howard stated he would like to see a second bid. White stated the next nearest dealer would be in Des Moines. The Board directed White to contact another Mack dealer for a second quote.

On a motion by Howard, second by Bonebrake, minutes of the February 8, 2016 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

The Board received an invitation for a couple of Supervisors to attend a Farm Bureau meeting February 23, 2016 at 7:30 P.M.

Committee Reports:

Kelly attended a Mental Health meeting in Des Moines February 10th.

Kelly attended a Seventh Judicial meeting February 12th.

Sorensen attended a RAGBRAI Advisory Council meeting February 8th.

Howard attended a Fruitland City Council meeting February 9th.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Bonebrake, the Board eliminated 10 part time Correction Officer positions and authorized 10 full time Correction Officer positions effective February 27, 2016. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Sauer, the Board approved the appointment of Mike Schulte to the Muscatine County Conservation Board to fill a vacancy for a term ending December 31, 2016. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Howard, second by Kelly, the Board approved the appointment of Kim Kassmeyer to the Muscatine County Building Board of Appeals to fill a vacancy for a term ending December 31, 2018. Ayes: All.

The Board reviewed the health/dental fund balance as of January 31, 2016.

The Board recessed at 9:54 A.M. and reconvened at 10:00 A.M.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Howard, the Board went into non-public session at 10:00 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 Bonebrake, second by Kelly, the Board returned to open session at 10:52 A.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 A.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

Jeff Sorensen, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, February 22, 2016

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. with Howard, Kelly, Sorensen, Sauer and Bonebrake present. Chairperson Sorensen presiding.

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

John Haskins, Friends of the Barn, expressed concern that the Barn and cottage might be sold with the DHS building. Sorensen assured Haskins there is no intent by the Board to dispose of the barn or cottage.

A Public Hearing was called to order by Chairperson Sorensen at 7:12 P.M. for the purpose of instituting proceedings and taking action to enter into a loan agreement in a principal amount not to exceed \$500,000 for the purpose of financing improvements and repairs to the Community Services Building, repaving a parking lot that serves buildings that house the County Engineer, Zoning Administrator and Sheriff, and acquiring voting equipment. No one spoke against the loan agreement. On a motion by Kelly, second by Sauer, the public hearing was closed at 7:14 P.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Sauer, the Board approved Resolution #02-22-16-01 Authorizing a Loan Agreement and Providing for a Debt Service Tax Levy. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

Information Services Director Bill Riley updated the Board on help desk activity for the month of January. Riley reported network issues on February 15th were caused by two bad network switches which were replaced by February 17th.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Kelly, the Board approved 18 special event permits for events to be held in 2016 on May 21st, May 29th, June 3rd, June 17th, June 18th, June 25th, July 1st, July 16th, July 22nd, July 29th, July 30th, August 12th, August 26th, September 2nd, September 3rd, September 16th, September 30th, and October 8th at Ardon Creek Vineyard and Winery, LLC, as requested by Mike Furlong. (Article III, Section 3.26 of the Zoning Ordinance allows native wineries or cider mills as a special use, subject to specific requirements, including Board of Supervisors' approval of any special event at which (1) wine will be sold for onsite consumption and (2) attendance of more than 35 persons is anticipated.) Ayes: All.

On a motion by Howard, second by Bonebrake, minutes of the February 15, 2016 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

All Supervisors received a complaint regarding potholes on roads in Moscow.
Howard reported contacts thanking the Board for requiring an additional quote for Secondary Roads equipment.

Howard reported a call from John Beckey regarding the Muscatine Hospital Board's contract with Trinity.

Committee Reports:

Howard attended a Milestones Area on Aging meeting February 16th.

Sorensen attended a RAGBRAI Advisory Board meeting February 15th.

Sauer attended a Muscatine County Fair Board meeting February 18th.

Kelly attended an Eastern Iowa Mental Health Regional meeting February 22nd.

On a motion by Kelly, second by Howard, the Board set a public hearing for Monday, March 7, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. on a confinement feeding operation construction permit application from Doug & Nic Site, Section 5, Orono Township. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Howard, second by Bonebrake, the Board selected Ruhl and Ruhl as the listing agent for the possible sale of surplus County property. Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

Jeff Sorensen, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors