

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, April 15, 2019

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:01 A.M. with Holliday, Sauer, Mather, Sorensen and Saucedo present, Chairperson Mather presiding.

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

Discussion was held with Mark Temple regarding his current situation with a construction project on Bayfield Road in Bloomington Hollow where he is not able to haul rock, concrete or heavy equipment to the site due to embargos placed on Muscatine County Secondary Roads. Temple stated he would like to come to an agreement, possibly by hauling partial loads to meet the 11 ton limit, in order to continue with the residential home construction project. Muscatine County Engineer Keith White stated Temple and Hahn Ready Mix have not applied for embargo permits but have hauled rock and poured a concrete foundation during the embargo without a permit. The subcontractor called the County Engineer's Office and was told no, but hauling and construction continued until stopped by White, White stated. Board consensus was for Temple to follow the County embargo permit process with the Secondary Roads Department.

Discussion was held with Vickie and Dennis Anderson and Polly Geurink regarding the condition and maintenance of 152nd Street east of North Mulberry. Vickie Anderson stated her elderly father lives in a farmhouse at 2222 152nd Street and she has concerns about access for emergency vehicles or REC trucks in the event of a power outage. Anderson stated even though there are less than five permanent residences on that road, it is one of the busiest gravel roads in the county, because of the access it provides to hunting and fishing. Anderson stated flooding from the Cedar River and a creek which crosses 152nd cause frequent washouts. Anderson stated in summary her concern is the condition of the road when not in a flood situation and referred to washboards and muddy areas lacking a base and the need for more frequent and deeper grading. Anderson stated she is also concerned about the road classification changing to Class B - Minimum Maintenance. White stated Muscatine County ordinances require public hearings before considering changing a road's classification to Class B. Sorensen stated there is a process which must be followed before a road may be changed to Class B status and he has never heard the County Engineer mention changing 152nd to Class B.

Discussion was held with Emergency Manager Brian Wright regarding a disaster declaration for Muscatine County due to flooding. Wright stated the threshold for Muscatine County damage is \$162,000. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board authorized the Chair to sign a disaster declaration for Muscatine County. Ayes: All.

Discussion was held with Sorensen who stated the Muscatine County Joint Communications Commission will be recognizing two public safety dispatchers at the April 16 meeting. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved

Proclamation #04-15-19-01 declaring April 14-20, 2019 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Sorensen, minutes of the April 8, 2019 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Holliday, Mather, Saucedo, Sauer, and Sorensen all reported Mark Temple requested permission to haul concrete on County embargoed roads.

Holliday reported a contact regarding a stop sign at the intersection of North Isett and 170th Street.

Holliday reported contacts from two residents inquiring about road repairs on gravel roads and from the Muscatine Schools Bus manager informing him buses will be running on hard surfaces only.

Sorensen reported contacts regarding road issues on 155th Street and Bayfield Road.

Saucedo reported a contact regarding road issues on 160th Street.

Committee Reports:

Sauer and Sorensen attended a MAGIC meeting April 8th.

Mather attended a 7th Judicial District meeting April 12th.

White updated the Board on current secondary road conditions.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board reappointed Wes Wulf to the Benefitted Fire District #6 Board of Trustees for a three-year term ending June 30, 2022. Ayes: All. The Scott County Board of Supervisors approved the appointment on April 14, 2019.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Sorensen, the Board set a public hearing on proposed amendments to the FY 18/19 Muscatine County budget for Monday, June 3, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 A.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

Nathan Mather, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors