

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors  
Monday, June 24, 2019

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 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.

Marissa Reisen asked the County to consider accepting her parents, Tom and Deb Antrum, property located at 1995 Sweetland Road through a FEMA buyout. Reisen stated the house has settled due to heavy rain and there are visible areas along the property with landslide issues. Reisen stated in order to pursue a FEMA buyout, an entity has to be willing to accept the property following the buyout. Tom Antrum stated he thinks this could undermine the road if something is not done. Antrum stated the house sits about 50' off Sweetland Road with the back of the house about 6 feet from the ravine. Antrum stated there is one fracture in the middle of the yard and another approximately 8' off the road. Antrum stated there is also a large fracture about 6" behind the back wall of the house which is about 10' long. Reisen stated the next step would be for the County to send a notice of interest to FEMA for the property. Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas stated he will survey the property and post the house as a dangerous building if there is a concern for safety.

Steve Brisker, 1824 Keokuk Avenue, and Bret Hurlbut, 1813 Keokuk Avenue, expressed concern about a neighbor digging in the ditches for several years trying to change the flow of water in a way that it cannot flow. Hurlbut stated the ditches are completely silted in on both sides and have forced their fields to flood. Hurlbut stated they would like the County to stop the neighbor from digging and fix the ditch. Hurlbut stated the water can only flow over the top of the road. County Engineer Keith White stated County Attorney Alan Ostergren sent a letter to cease and desist a week or so ago. White stated this is a mess created by others that will cost a fortune to undo. Hurlbut stated even if the County gets the neighbor to cease and desist, the damage is already done. Mather stated the Board needs to see what remedies are available through the County Attorney.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Sorensen, claims dated June 24, 2019 were approved in the amount of \$409,383.35. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved the following utility permits: CenturyLink – relocating 300' of cable on North Isett north of 155<sup>th</sup> Street for a bridge replacement project; Eastern Iowa Light and Power – replacing cable on north side of 231<sup>st</sup> Street from 2230 231<sup>st</sup> Street west to Hilltop Drive. Ayes: All.

County Engineer Keith White updated the Board on secondary road projects.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Ordinance #06-24-19-01 Rezoning Certain Real Property in Seventy-Six Township from C-2 Commercial District Zoning Classification to R-1 Residential District Zoning Classification on the third and final reading. Roll Call vote: Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, minutes of the June 17, 2019 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Holliday and Saucedo reported correspondence from an employee concerned about not being considered for a position.

Committee Reports:

Holliday attended a Wilton Development Corporation meeting June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Holliday and Sorensen attended a MUSCOM meeting June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Holliday attended a Muscatine County Fair Board meeting June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Sauer attended a Muscatine County Conservation Board meeting June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Sauer attended a Riverbend Transit meeting June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mather attended an Eastern Iowa Mental Health Region meeting June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Sorensen attended a MAGIC meeting June 18<sup>th</sup>.

Saucedo attended a West Liberty Economic Area Development meeting June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Mather and County Engineer Keith White attended the FEMA briefing June 19<sup>th</sup>.

White stated he will be attending a Bi-State Region IX Transportation technical committee meeting to discuss an upcoming fund distribution of federal highway SWAP dollars.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved Resolution #06-24-19-01 FY2019/2020 Budget Appropriations. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #06-24-01  
FY 2019/20 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

It is hereby resolved that the following amounts itemized by Department will be appropriated for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2019:

01	Board/Administration	710,102
02	Auditor	540,658
03	Treasurer	564,896
04	Attorney	1,134,223
05	Sheriff	2,915,076
06	Jail	6,074,142
07	Recorder	287,643
20	Engineer	9,476,000
22	Conservation Board	1,290,492
24	DHS	70,440
25	Community Services	637,884
28	Medical Examiner	154,628

30	Court Services	154,500
31	Board of Health	344,408
51	General Services	812,108
52	Information Services	652,000
53	Zoning	403,314
60	Mental Health Administration	1,547,850
99	Nondepartmental	7,999,199
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		\$35,769,563

It is further resolved that all appropriations made pursuant to this RESOLUTION lapse at the close of business on June 30, 2020.

Passed and approved this 24th day of June, 2019.

ATTEST:

/s/Leslie A. Soule  
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Nathan Mather, Chairperson  
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved Resolution #06-24-19-02 Suspending the Collection of Taxes. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #06-24-19-02  
RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES**

WHEREAS, notice from the Director of Human Services has been received regarding the eligibility of Deborah Ross, Muscatine, Iowa, (the 'recipient') for medical and facility care; and

WHEREAS, as such recipient of such assistance is deemed to be unable to contribute to the public revenue pursuant to Section 427.9, Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the recipient is the owner of property described as follows:

Address: 519 Sub Van Buren Muscatine IA 52761  
Parcel No: MCMUU 0825303008  
Legal Description: Lot 14 Blk 34 Park Place Add

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors:

1. That the County Treasurer is hereby ordered to suspend the collection of all taxes, including special assessments, rates or charges, interest, fees and costs for the current

year and those unpaid from prior years. As long as the petitioner is authorized by DHS no interest accrues during suspension but payments can be made.

2. If the parcel is sold, passes by bequest or inheritance to any person other than the spouse or minor child of the petitioner, all taxes and special assessments become due and payable by the next semi-annual installment date. Interest at the rate of 1 ½% per month will start on the next delinquency date after the suspended taxes become due.

Passed and approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

ATTEST:

/s/Leslie A. Soule  
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Nathan Mather, Chairperson  
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Resolution #06-24-19-03 Naming Depositories – Treasurer's Office. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #06-24-19-03  
NAMING DEPOSITORIES-TREASURER'S OFFICE**

It is hereby resolved that the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors approves the following list of financial institutions to be depositories for Muscatine County funds held by the Muscatine County Treasurer, in conformance with applicable provisions of Chapter 12C, Code of Iowa. All previous actions by the Board of Supervisors naming depositories and setting maximum limits for the Treasurer's Office are hereby null and void.

<b>DEPOSITORY</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>MAXIMUM FUND BALANCE</b>
Bankers Trust	Des Moines, IA	\$ 7,000,000
CBI Bank	Muscatine, IA	\$ 40,000,000
Community Bank	Muscatine, IA	\$ 5,000,000
Farmers & Merchants Bank	Nichols, IA	\$ 2,000,000
First National Bank	Muscatine, IA	\$ 2,000,000
IPAIT	Des Moines IA	\$ 20,000,000
Midwest One Bank	West Liberty, IA	\$ 20,000,000
South Ottumwa Savings Bank	West Liberty, IA	\$ 10,000,000

Passed and approved this 24th day of June 2019.

ATTEST:

/s/Leslie A. Soule  
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Nathan Mather, Chairperson  
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Sorensen, appointments to the Muscatine County Compensation Commission were approved for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. Ayes:

All. Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber stated there are still three vacancies for licensed real estate salespersons or brokers, three vacancies for bankers, appraisers, auctioneers, property managers; one vacancy for owners of agricultural property; and three vacancies for owners of city property.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Sorensen, the Board re-appointed Stacey Eberhard to the Muscatine County Compensation Board for a 4-year term ending June 30, 2023. Ayes: All.

The Board scheduled fiscal year-end cash counts with County departments.

The Board recessed at 9:56 A.M. and reconvened at 1:01 P.M.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board went into closed session at 1:01 P.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5.1(i), Code of Iowa, for an interview for the Community Services Director/Disability Services Coordinator position. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday, the Board returned to open session at 1:54 P.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The Board recessed at 1:54 P.M. and reconvened at 1:59 P.M.

On a motion by Saucedo, second by Sauer, the Board went into closed session at 1:59 P.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5.1(i), Code of Iowa, for an interview for the Community Services Director/Disability Services Coordinator position. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday, the Board returned to open session at 2:54 P.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The Board recessed at 2:54 P.M. and reconvened at 3:01 P.M.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board went into closed session at 3:01 P.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5.1(i), Code of Iowa, for an interview for the Community Services Director/Disability Services Coordinator position. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board returned to open session at 3:59 P.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The Board recessed at 3:59 P.M. and reconvened at 4:03 P.M.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board went into closed session at 4:03 P.M. pursuant to Chapter 21.5.1(i), Code of Iowa, to discuss candidates for the Community Services Director/Disability Services Coordinator position. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. On a motion by Saucedo, second by Sorensen, the Board returned to open session at 4:14 P.M. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:14 P.M.

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Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

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Nathan Mather, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors