

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors  
Monday, February 10, 2020

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

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

On a motion by Sauer, second by Saucedo, claims dated February 10, 2020 were approved in the amount of \$326,605.07. Ayes: All.

County Engineer Keith White opened bids for Project L-(CUL-20)—73-70 Culverts at various locations throughout the County as follows: Peterson Contractors Inc. - \$358,195.25; Hagerty Earthworks LLC - \$314,084.00; Triple B Construction - \$256,181.50; Sulzco LLC - \$339,175.00; Brandt Construction Co. - \$353,782.40; and Boomerang Corp - \$332,063.50. White stated he will review the bids for accuracy. On a motion by Saucedo, second by Mather, the Board accepted the bid from Triple B Construction in the amount of \$256,181.50 subject to review by the County Engineer. Ayes: All.

White opened bids for Project LFM-(FU-7)—7X-70 Longitudinal Subdrains and Culverts on F58/200<sup>th</sup> Street from Durant to Walcott as follows: Peterson Contractors Inc. - \$1,199,074.21; Hagerty Earthworks LLC - \$1,157,605.51; Brandt Construction Co. - \$1,539,821.33; and Boomerang Corp - \$1,360,582.10. White stated Scott County will share in the cost of this project. On a motion by Saucedo, second by Mather, the Board accepted the bid from Hagerty Earthworks LLC in the amount of \$1,157,605.51 subject to review by the County Engineer. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Holliday, the Board approved the following utility permits: ITC Midwest – rebuilding the overhead line on F58 from Verde Ave east to the Scott County line; and Muscatine Power and Water – moving poles back to the new right-of-way line on G28 near the peat moss plant. Ayes: All.

White updated the Board on secondary road projects.

Mike Nolan, Horizon Architecture, updated the Board on projects. Nolan stated the new Maintenance building is coming along very well and should be complete by the end of April. Nolan stated the Jail roof aerial survey was done today and the project will go out for bid by the end of February or early March with a desired completion time by the end of the summer. Nolan stated the Sheriff's addition should break ground in May or June. Nolan reported potential water infiltration in the third floor courtroom and the upper cupola shingles are coming loose and need replaced.

Muscatine County Historic Preservation Commissioners Becky Allgood and Lynn Pruitt presented highlights from the Muscatine County Historic Preservation 2019 Annual Report.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sauer, the Board approved an ordinance rezoning approximately 1.98 acres in Fruitland Township in the SE ¼ of Section 26-T77N-R3W from C-1 Commercial District to R-1 Residential District on the second of three readings. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sauer, the Board affirmed the modification and resubmission of an application for flood recovery funds through the Iowa Flood Mitigation Program to include the 15% local share on the demolition of three residential structures. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Saucedo, minutes of the February 3, 2020 regular meeting were approved as written. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Saucedo reported a call regarding the G28 project.

Saucedo reported an email from the City of Fruitland requesting a joint meeting.

Saucedo reported a request to get pumps going at DD13.

Board received a note from Bonnie Adkins complimenting Veterans Affairs Director Jennifer Watkins-Schoenig.

Sorensen and Felicia Toppert met with representatives from the Community Y regarding Special Olympics.

Sorensen reported an email from a Community Y board member regarding Special Olympics.

Holliday reported a request asking for blinking stop signs at the intersection of Hwy 38 and and 180<sup>th</sup> Street.

Committee Reports:

Sorensen attended a Regional Workforce Investment Board meeting February 4<sup>th</sup>.

Sorensen attended an E911 Service Board meeting February 6<sup>th</sup>.

Sorensen attended an EMA Commission meeting February 6<sup>th</sup>.

Emergency Management Director Brian Wright informed the Board there will be public hearings regarding the 5-year update of the Muscatine County Hazard Mitigation Plan today at Musser Public Library from 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM and at the West Liberty Public Library on Thursday from 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM.

On a motion by Mather, second by Sauer, the Board approved Resolution #02-10-20-01 Suspending the Collection of Taxes. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #02-10-20-01  
RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES**

WHEREAS, notice from the Director of Human Services has been received regarding the eligibility of Michelle Cuellar, 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: 2910 Allen St., Muscatine IA 52761  
Parcel No: MCMUU 0834305002  
Legal Description: Lot 2 Blk 2 Harold Hammann West Plaza Add, Musc

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 10th day of February, 2020.

ATTEST:

/s/Leslie A. Soule  
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Jeff Sorensen, Chairperson  
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

On a motion by Sauer, second by Mather, the Board accepted the January 2020 payroll claims.  
Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Mather, the Board set a public hearing on the proposed FY20/21 maximum county general services and county rural services maximum property tax dollars for Monday, February 24, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Saucedo, the Board set a public hearing on proposed amendments to the FY 19/20 Muscatine County budget for Monday, March 16, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Saucedo, the Board set a public hearing on the proposed FY 20/21 Muscatine County budget for Monday, March 16, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Ayes: All.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:06 A.M.

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Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

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Jeff Sorensen, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors