

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, January 17, 2022

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

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

Discussion was held with Planning and Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas regarding a change order with Swanson Construction Company for the Muscatine County Jail Booking Expansion Project. Furnas stated the Jail Administration Staff requested an additional gun locker. Furnas stated the change order is to saw cut and demolish a masonry wall to install a salvaged three bank gun locker. On a motion by Saucedo, second by Sorensen, the Board approved Change Order #27 for the Muscatine County Jail Booking Expansion Project in the amount of \$2,556.81 to install a salvaged three bank gun locker. Ayes: All.

Furnas reviewed a change order with Swanson Construction Company for the Muscatine County Jail Booking Expansion Project for roofing tapered insulation and added material to add a peak towards the center of the roof to allow for proper drainage. On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved Change Order #28R for the Muscatine County Jail Booking Expansion Project in the amount of \$587.33. Ayes: All

Furnas update the Board on the County Attorney's Office Remodel Project.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Mather, the Board accepted the County Auditor's Report of Fees Collected for the quarter ending December 31, 2021 in the amount of \$29,663.85. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved the minutes of the January 10, 2022 regular meeting and the January 11, 2022 special meeting. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

All Supervisors received emails from Public Health Director, Christy Roby-Williams. regarding COVID-19 updates.

All Supervisors received an email supporting the Muscatine Power & Water request for American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

All Supervisors received various emails regarding the 2nd Amendment Sanctuary Declaration.

All Supervisors received the valuation report by email from the County Assessor's Office. Saucedo requested the Assessor's office provide the valuation reports for the past three years for review.

Saucedo contacted the County Attorney's Office and received an email regarding the 28E Agreement for solid waste management.

Holliday received a call from a resident regarding road conditions on Edgewater Road.

Committees and meetings:

Mather attended the Seventh Judicial District Department of Correctional Services Board meeting on January 14, 2022. Mather attended electronically.

Sorensen attended the Muscatine County 911 Service Board meeting on January 14, 2022.

Sorensen attended the Muscatine County/Muscatine City Joint Administration Board meeting on January 14, 2022.

Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber reviewed the health/dental fund balance as of December 31, 2021. Sorensen commented that the fund had a healthy balance and the Board may wish to consider transferring the excess to the general fund and use the dollars to reduce the employees' premium cost or as bonus incentives for wellness initiatives. Schreiber stated that, while the most recent actuarial shows adequate reserves at this time, it also indicates that the projected premium income is insufficient to cover projected anticipated costs. She recommended monitoring plan costs and fund balance for another six months and re-evaluate the fund status at that time.

Discussion was held regarding American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) fund requests received by the January 13, 2022 deadline. Budget Administrator Sherry Seright stated an additional request form was received by the deadline that was not in the agenda packet, however the form will be provided to the Board for review. Board consensus was to meet on January 18, 2022 following the special meeting to review all ARPA requests received by the deadline.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors