

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, February 14, 2022

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

Planning and Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas reviewed two quotes in the amounts of \$1,543.77 and \$3,926.95 from Lucas Communication, Inc. for additional network and data work at the Muscatine County Attorney's Office. Furnas stated the quote in the amount of \$1,543.77 is for finish work to run extra network cables from the basement of the County Attorney's Office to the server room in the basement of the Administration Building and the quote in the amount of \$3,926.95 is for integral power and network cabling for increased network capabilities and electrical supply.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board accepted a quote in the amount of \$1,543.77 from Lucas Communication Inc. for additional network and data at the Muscatine County Attorney's Office. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board accepted a quote in the amount of \$3,926.95 from Lucas Communication, Inc. for final assessment of network needs as a result of the decision to acquire new furniture in the center office area. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board accepted a quote from Nelson Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$2,850.00 for additional electrical capacity at the Muscatine County Attorney's Office. Ayes: All.

Furnas updated the Board on the Muscatine County Jail Booking Expansion Project. Furnas stated the expected completion of the project is by March 2022. Saucedo requested a tour of the facility once project is completed.

Furnas updated the Board on the Muscatine County Attorney's Office Remodel project.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board approved the minutes of the February 7, 2022 regular meeting. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

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

All Supervisors received emails regarding road conditions on Edgewater Road. Sorensen contacted Nature Conservancy Associate Director, Josh Spies regarding the road conditions on Edgewater Road and possible partnering with the county.

Saucedo received an email from Trinity Muscatine naming Rachel Pohl, BSN, RN as Executive Director.

Saucedo received an email regarding the Economic Development Authority 2nd Annual Housing Summit scheduled for June 7, 2022.

Saucedo received a call regarding the road and bridge conditions on Edgewater Road and information from Iowa State University Civil Engineer program who toured the area and took pictures of the Pike Creek bridge as a possible project. Saucedo had a discussion with West Liberty City Administrator, David Haugland regarding the American Rescue Plan allocation of funds.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Saucedo attended the Bi-State Regional Trails Committee Meeting on February 8, 2022. Saucedo attended the West Liberty Association Quarterly Meeting on February 10, 2022. Sorensen, Sauer and Saucedo attended the Muscatine Power and Water Strategic Planning Breakfast on February 10, 2022. Sauer attended a tour of Lock and Dam #15 on February 11, 2022, which is currently dry due to maintenance.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board moved to reschedule a public hearing on the proposed FY22/23 Muscatine County maximum property tax dollars for general county services to Monday, February 28, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board moved to reschedule a public hearing on the proposed FY22/23 Muscatine County Budget to Monday, March 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board moved to reschedule a public hearing on Proposed FY21/22 Muscatine County Budget amendments to Monday, March 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Holliday, the Board approved Resolution #02-14-22-01 Taking Action to Set a Public Hearing for Monday, February 28, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. on a Proposal to Enter into a General Obligation Levee Improvement Loan Agreement in an Amount Not to Exceed \$3,400,000 to Finance the Muscatine Louisa Island Levy Project Phase 2. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All.

RESOLUTION #02-14-22-01

**RESOLUTION TAKING ACTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO GENERAL OBLIGATION LEVEE
IMPROVEMENT LOAN AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO
EXCEED \$3,400,000 TO FINANCE THE MUSCATINE LOUISA
ISLAND LEVY PROJECT PHASE 2**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of Muscatine County, Iowa (the "County") proposes to authorize the County to enter into a loan agreement (the "Loan Agreement") and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,400,000, pursuant to the provisions of Section 331.402 of the Code of Iowa, for the purpose of paying the costs, to that

extent, of undertaking flood control improvements, including strengthening and raising levees (the “Projects”), and it is necessary to fix a date of meeting of the Board at which it is proposed to hold a public hearing on the Loan Agreement and to give notice thereof as required by such law;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Muscatine County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. This Board shall meet on February 28, 2022, at the Muscatine County Administration Building, Muscatine, Iowa, at 9:00 a.m., at which time and place a hearing will be held and additional action taken on the Loan Agreement.

Section 2. The County Auditor is hereby directed to give notice of the proposed action on the Loan Agreement setting forth the amount and purpose thereof, the time when and place where the said meeting will be held, by publication at least once, not less than four (4) and not more than twenty (20) days before the hearing, in a legal newspaper of general circulation in the County. The notice shall be in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO A
LOAN AGREEMENT AND TO BORROW MONEY THEREUNDER IN A
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,400,000**

(GENERAL OBLIGATION)

The Board of Supervisors of Muscatine County, Iowa, will meet on February 28, 2022, at the Muscatine County Administration Building, Muscatine, Iowa, at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose holding a public hearing on a proposal to enter into a loan agreement (the “Loan Agreement”) and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,400,000 for the purpose of paying the costs, to that extent, of undertaking flood control improvements, including strengthening and raising levees.

The Loan Agreement is proposed to be entered into pursuant to authority contained in Section 331.402 of the Code of Iowa. The Loan Agreement will constitute a general obligation of the County.

At that time and place, oral or written objections may be filed or made to the proposal to enter into the Loan Agreement. After receiving objections, the County may determine to enter into the Loan Agreement, in which case, the decision will be final unless appealed to the District Court within fifteen (15) days thereafter.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Muscatine County, Iowa.

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Section 3. Pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Income Tax Regulations (the “Regulations”) of the Internal Revenue Service, the County declares (a) that it intends to undertake the Projects which are reasonably estimated to cost \$3,400,000, (b) that other than (i) expenditures to be paid or reimbursed from sources other than the issuance of bonds, notes or other obligations (the “Bonds”), or (ii) expenditures made not earlier than 60 days prior to the date of this Resolution or a previous intent resolution of the County, or (iii) expenditures amounting to the lesser of \$100,000 or 5% of the proceeds of the Bonds, or (iv) expenditures constituting preliminary expenditures as defined in Section 1.150-2(f)(2) of the Regulations, no expenditures for the Projects have heretofore been made by the County and no expenditures will be made by the County until after the date of this Resolution or a prior intent resolution of the County, and (c) that the County reasonably expects to reimburse the expenditures made for costs of the County out of the proceeds of the Bonds. This declaration is a declaration of official intent adopted pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Regulations.

Section 4. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval, as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of February, 2022.

ATTEST :

/s/Tibe Vander Linden
Muscatine County Auditor

/s/Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Muscatine County Board of Supervisor

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board authorized the Chair to sign an agreement with Dorsey regarding bond counsel services to be provided for the proposed 2022 General Obligation Levee Improvement Note in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,400,000. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Saucedo, the Board accepted Jamie Bosten’s resignation from the Muscatine County Historic Preservation Commission. Ayes: All. The Board thanked Jamie Bosten for his service.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Furnas updated the Board on the Lower Cedar Watershed Management Authority Meeting held on February 8, 2022. Furnas stated he will participate on the committee to discuss and hire a Coordinator. Furnas stated the Coordinator position will be based on grant funding.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 A.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden
County Auditor

Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors