

# Legal Notices

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## Miscellaneous Notices

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Category B expenses, which are attorney fees and costs which properly can be applied to the case and the court can pronounce them indigent and avoid paying these expenses. The system has negatively cut the fine collection revenue as people can avoid the expenses. Check asked how many employees are in the County Attorney's office. Barry stated there are 11 employees which are five attorneys including himself, four legal secretaries, one fine collector, one employee a victim witness coordinator, Sorenson asked if the staffing is sufficient. Barry stated in the future there may be a need for another attorney but not envisioning it to be within the next year. Barry stated unsupervised probation is not a concern in moving away from however additional attorney staff would need to be added as the office workload is already at its max.

County Auditor Tibe Vander Linden reviewed the FY24/25 budget request and stated an increase in postage is being due to House File 718. This is a request mailing to all property owners by March 20th each year, that informs the parcel owner of the upcoming School, County and City public hearing and proposed property taxation for the next fiscal year will be presented. Vander Linden presented a sample mailing notice to the Board and stated the mailing cost is estimated to be \$10,000. Vander Linden reviewed the proposed budget increase for two new office chairs, election postage for the 2024 Primary and General Elections, election equipment maintenance, additional election workers stipend to increase in new municipalities, training, new required hotspots/routers for the election laptop routers and an additional Express Vote machine. Vander Linden stated the budget does not include election travel cost for the expected 2024 ARCA and Precinct Map Commission administration upgrade as she just learned the upgrade is expected in the next fiscal year. Vander Linden requested to hire an additional clerk position, stating that the County Clerk position had been approved and included in the current FY24 budget however the job duty requirements are now being presented. The hiring request is to hire within the next few weeks to prepare for the upcoming election. Vander Linden noted the additional employee will assist with the real estate work in her office that has increased as well as Iowa Secretary of State's election administration and IVoters reconciliation, NCOA cards, training and classes. There will be two additional polls to staff and to equip due to redistricting. The election laptop program for the polls was upgraded and Vander Linden stated that the county has created more required training for poll workers. Vander Linden stated an additional 50 poll workers are needed for the upcoming elections. Vander Linden stated that the county has a large backlog with the accounts payable and payroll processes the office is responsible for. Vander Linden stated most of her current staff was hired within the past two years so the knowledge and experience of the staff is new. Vander Linden stated the process with her staff, Cathy Ribbink, 2nd Deputy Auditor stated her concerns with the real estate duties and how the transfer book work has increased. Ribbink stated that the election process is a big backlog with the transfers which affects the Assessor's office. County Assessor Naber Spies stated the real estate transfer backlog job can become problematic and the recent Equalization Order showed how real estate transfers needed to be reviewed. Vander Linden asked the Board if her staff can accrue comp hours when working additional hours during elections, tax season and valuation report time. At the end of the year, the Board approved however the Employee Handbook states employees can accrue up to 40 hours in compensatory time in lieu of overtime pay. Vander Linden would like the Auditor's office to be allowed the same as the Auditor's office. Vander Linden stated they will review the technology. Sorenson questioned if the technology the county has invested in is utilized to make the real estate processes run more efficiently. Vander Linden stated that the County Recorder Sarah Heart stated the technology has improved efficiency and without the technology, the Recorder's office would definitely need another employee. Spies stated the Auditor's office has received the assistance in the Assessor's office as the IMAGIS site has 500,000 annual visitors using the technology.

County Recorder Sarah Heart reviewed the FY24/25 budget request with the Board. Vander Linden stated that the real estate recordings are down, they are working more with mortgage and release assignments.

County Treasurer Amy Zybarrh reviewed the FY24/25 budget request with the Board and stated that the county has not requested salary changes as the county is waiting on the salary study. Zybarrh stated her office has had staff changes so the clerks are mostly entry level salaries so the salary budget has not increased. Zybarrh stated that she would like to offer higher salaries to get the attention of higher quality candidates when new openings occur and to keep the valued employees. Zybarrh stated the county has a large backlog of checks they receive from her staff, especially from the contingent county customers that use our county instead of the required scheduling with their own county. Zybarrh stated she does not have significant backlog in the county. Vander Linden stated the postage is due to the post office has had two postage increases in the past year. The department processes a significant number of electronic renewals and car title transactions that created additional postage. Zybarrh stated the interest increase is a positive compared to other years (plus the American Recovery Plan Act fund balance has assisted with receiving an interest rate at 5.5%). Vander Linden stated the county has been turning in their parking tickets that creates revenue at \$5.00 each. Passport revenue has been increasing with people traveling again.

Board recess at 11:04 A.M. and reconvened at 11:11 A.M.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Eric Furnas reviewed the FY24/25 budget request with no significant changes. Furnas stated issuing permits for home for the year and the projects deposits but Furnas stated the lack of new construction has allowed time to update and replace 911 signs. Well sampling expenditures is covered on the revenue side with grant funding. Vander Linden stated the replacing vehicles this year but has increased the maintenance budget \$1,000 to maintain three vehicles. Furnas is waiting for the salary study. Furnas stated the state requires within a year of the FY24 fiscal year the certification (for inspections) and E2 certification (for industrial and commercial) with additional plan review required for the industrial and commercial inspections. Furnas stated that within his salary budget, the county required to obtain the E2 certification and an Inspector II position may need to be created and compensated for their level of expertise. Furnas stated there is a large decrease in the Ordinance Revision and the Board is reviewing the ordinance amending ordinances and hiring Bi-State to review the Comp Plan which will not occur in the upcoming fiscal year as it should be completed in this year.

County Engineer and Hiresowsky reviewed the FY24/25 budget request and the state revenue requirements with an increase of \$160,000 from rural services to meet the minimum requirement or there will be a reduction of state funding. All Systems Engineering Permit fees (permits) revenue is ever changing with the legislature (the funds to be used for bridge inspections). Bridge Replacement (Federal) revenue will most likely be \$0 for FY24 as a bridge project has been held up. Hiresowsky stated the county expects a significant carry over of FY24 projects and the funding into FY25. Horesowsky stated salaries under the engineering budget show a 12% increase for the past year, paid for by the state. Hiresowsky stated two employees getting potential of licenses. Horesowsky stated his employees lack other county's salaries so he's looking forward to the salary study report. Engineering supplies have a large decrease in truck tires. Items will be purchased this year. Bridge inspection budget has increased from \$16,000 to \$43,000, due to inspections being more challenging the next four years. Hiresowsky stated the county is doing time documenting information in a federal program. Horesowsky stated the union will likely request substantial salary raises with the upcoming negotiations in FY25. Horesowsky reviewed the rock and salt price increases. Asphalt Concrete has increased due to maintenance. P.C.C. budget is a maintenance project for Vail Avenue for major road patching. Pavement markings budget is a decrease as it is an annual project. Road maintenance has an increase as there is more time spent with the crews and can depend on if there is a mild winter. Horesowsky reviewed the capital expenditures with replacing two tandem trucks (with trades), snow equipment (with trades), a new road grader (with trade), one light duty truck (with trade), compactor (with trade) and medium duty truck with tilt body with

trade). Horesowsky decreased the fuel budget as fuel prices are lower than budget time last year. Check requested a list of the current vehicle fleet list. Horesowsky will provide a fleet list. Recd at 12:03 P.M. Reconvened at 1:04 P.M.

Information Services Director Bill Riley reviewed the FY24/25 budget request with an increase in metro area network and the Internet service. Riley stated that out of Community Services and Conservation departments and providing a gig service over the leased lines which will consolidate servers (with the exception of the County Attorney's office). Riley reviewed the service agreements and servers budget line items. Tyler Annual Maintenance and copier maintenance has increased. Riley stated the Microsoft agreement is not expected to decrease as they are concentrating on moving away from using the box version of Microsoft offices and moving to Microsoft Office 365 and explained the Vulnerability Management and MDR item is a managed detection and response for vulnerability and patching. Riley stated a request for a Hyper V server would replace the SOEZE Nutanix server in order to begin a transition away from Nutanix due to high subscription costs. Riley reviewed the reimbursement detail report which reports the number of units per department for equipment, software and licenses. Check asked if Riley has hired an additional employee that he requested during last year's budget and the salary was approved. Riley stated he is waiting for the salaries to be updated with the expected salary study before he posts the position as other counties are posting similar positions that list a starting salary that Krispy Shannon is currently paid, who is topped out at her rate.

Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber and Budget Administrator Kal Naber reviewed the General Services FY24/25 budget request stating there are increases for utility and building maintenance but other budget items do not have significant changes. Sorenson asked if the lights have been converted to LED lighting with discussion regarding the possible utility cost savings if all lights were converted.

Check expressed his concern regarding the salary study that the board is waiting on and asked how budget decisions can be made at this time. Schreiber stated the county is working on the salary study however Schreiber finds it unlikely the information will be returned in time to be included for the FY 25 budget decisions. Check reviewed the Capital Projects item for the law enforcement shooting range and asked if this project has been discussed further. The Board discussion was held to state there have been no further commitments made other than the county's prior commitment of \$400,000, to construct a new shooting range. Check asked if pioneer cemetery maintenance are going to be budgeted for. Naber stated the pioneer cemeteries will be discussed during the Non-Departmental budget discussions as increases for utility budget for cemetery maintenance. Check asked for clarification on the courthouse roof project budget and funding. Naber stated the project is scheduled for this fiscal year however it is not in the next fiscal year so the funding is also listed for FY24/25. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 P.M.

ATTEST:

Tibe Vander Linden  
County Auditor  
Nancy Schreiber, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors

Louisa-Muscatine CSD  
Minutes of the January 15, 2024 Regular Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Louisa-Muscatine CSD met in regular session on Monday, January 15, 2024 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Board members present included Scott Wilson, Bryce Hoben, Matt McCleary, Jeff Riggan and Carol Whittaker via zoom. Also present were Supt. Mike Van Sickle, Ken Spielbauer (arrived at 4:36), Amy Lantigua, Aimee Wedeking and Chris Parkhurst.

President Wilson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited. Hoben moved and Riggan seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

No one was present to speak at the community forum.

Hoben moved and Riggan seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the December 19, 2023 regular meeting, the December 19, 2023 regular meeting bills for approval and the December financial reports. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports were given by Elementary Principal Aimee Wedeking, JHHS Principal Chris Parkhurst, Director of Student Success & Curriculum Bryce Hoben and Activities Director Ken Spielbauer (arrived at 4:36).

McCleary moved and Riggan seconded a motion to approve the change to the February board meeting to Tuesday, February 20th at 6:00p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Hoben moved and Riggan seconded to approve the following resignation: Ron Wagner: JH Baseball. Motion carried 5-0.

Jeff Riggan moved and Riggan seconded to approve the following hires: Jeff Nguyen: Varsity Baseball Coach pending background check, concussion course & licensure. Motion carried 5-0.

Riggan moved and Riggan seconded to approve the preliminary drafts of the 2024-25 school calendar, discussed the potential bond issue, discussed current Iowa legislation and will revisit with the crisis committee concerning the recent tragedy.

Riggan moved and Hoben seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Charles Damer, Secretary  
Amanda Wetzel, Acting Secretary  
Riggan moved and Riggan seconded to approve the following bills for approval:

Approved 1/15/24		
Access Systems	85.65	
AGPARTS Worldwide	194.45	
Alharts & Cooney, P.C.	562.55	
Alliant Energy	69.82	
Anderson Erickson Dairy	2675.05	
Apple Computer	2122.22	
Bimbo Bakeries	281.26	
Capital Sanitary Supply	735.82	
CDV Accounting	491.70	
Cengage Learning	1438.55	
CLEARFLY	740.49	
Coppes Pest Control	180	
Data Tenant	80	
Eastern Iowa Light & Power	1027.50	
FGC Service Corporation	3482.53	
Flowers On The Avenue	80	
Follett Content Solutions	18.06	
Frontline Technologies Group	3357.03	
Fye Excavating	1951.19	
Goodheart-Wilcox Publisher	536.63	
Hoban & Sons	1550.00	
Iowa Association of School Boards	1350.00	
Iowa Communications Network	117.37	
J.W. Pepper & Sons	301.35	
Johns School Supply	40.56	
Kay & Chapin C.P.A.	1450.00	
Kimball Midwest	232.98	
L & M Waste Systems	1003.28	
Louisa County Sheriff	21069.18	
Marco Technologies	567.88	
Mediatrix	5690.69	
Mediatrix Community School District	3885.4	
Mississippi Bend AEA	8.56	
Morning Sun Community School		

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Chick expressed his concern regarding the salary study that the board is waiting on and asked how budget decisions can be made until the salary study is complete. A consultant is working on the salary study however Schreiber finds it unlikely the information will be returned in time to be included for the FY 25 budget items.

Chick reviewed the Capital Projects Department budget. Chick stated he is a consultant and asked if this project has been discussed further. The Board discussion was held to state there have been no further commitments made other than the land portion of the proposed project. Chick asked if pioneer cemetery maintenance are going to be budgeted for. Naber stated the pioneer cemeteries will be discussed during the November departmental budget discussions as there is a proposed budget for cemetery maintenance. Chick asked for clarification on the courthouse roof project budget and funding. Naber stated the project is anticipated to cross into the next fiscal year so the funding is also listed for FY24/25.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 P.M.

WATSEF:

County Auditor  
County Auditor  
Jeff Sorenson, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors

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Per Mar Security Services	698.33
Performance Foodservice	14421.24
Refreshment Services	296.45
Rental Safety Cooperative	14.05
J. Smith	14.05
School Bus Sales	1624.33
Spectra Bild	59875.25
State Hygienic Lab	23.00
Teacher Synergy	139.00
Verizon Wireless	165.22
Walmart Corporate	168.81
Wapello Auto Parts	3633.78
Workshop	1170.00
United States Treasury	10149.59
School Bus Sales	26379.94
MIKE CAMERON	159.05
Jenny Carlson	128.45
Jeff Klein	159.67
TOBIAS LUNSFORD	160.16
Kerrin Lloyd	85.00
Winn-Dixie Pro Shops	277.71
BSN Sports	231.05
Mastercard	107.96
Rock Valley Physical Therapy	343.75
United States Treasury	10149.59
School Bus Sales	26379.94

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors Monday, January 16, 2024

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in special session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, January 16, 2024.

Sorenson present. Chairperson Sorenson presiding.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Matherly, the agenda was approved as presented.

Unity Public Health Director Jen Craft reviewed the FY24/25 budget request stating she started as Director on January 2, 2024 and previously served as manager of the Iowa River Crisis system's Craft presented her handout reviewing the past year's services the department provided. Craft provided a budget request justification report and stated any budget increases will be requested for salary.

In regard to the January 2024 report included county budgets will be to show the cost per citizen with Muscatine County as \$6.61 per citizen for FY24/25 which is an 18-percent increase. Matherly asked if there were any other requests.

Response Grant is no longer the largest grant funding received from year 2021-2024 Stephanie Olsky, Public Health Project Manager, stated the grant was during COVID relief funding and is no longer available.

County Conservation Director Katie Hammond reviewed the FY24/25 budget request justification list stating salaries for maintenance and waste disposal staff pay more and retain good help or hire help who want to go into conservation as a field. Maintenance repair has an increase to repair older buildings. Hammond stated a big project to run the city sewer and water Department part of the proposed maintenance building for Deep Lakes Park is another priority project. Hammond stated the Sausburg lodge and buildings have recently had roof work done with some siding and stated the lodge needs new carpet and windows however it is utilized and rented regularly. Sausburg campground has been upgraded the electric to 50-amp and Hammond stated they are doing a project to construct a maintenance building at Deep Lakes Park. Hammond stated a parcel of land was recently purchased adjacent to the park and the old building on the site next to the house should be torn down to potentially build on the property. Check asked about the proposed shelter request for Deep Lakes Park. Hammond stated it is Deep Lakes Park that has been increased. Hammond stated she is requesting Huffcutt pit toilets (pre-fab unit with the plumbing built into the walls) which are easier to clean and harder for vandalism to occur. She also requested two Security Cycles, Crest and to place an old bathroom with wood stained. Hammond stated the patrol vehicles requests listed are to replace 2017 and 2018 vehicles. Administrative Director Nancy Huffcutt stated she expects to get on two externs listed under recreational supplies in the amount of \$2,000.

Hammond stated the externs are teachers from the school district who work the summer months and would be a one-time cost \$2,000, compared to seasonal summer help that would cost \$8,000.

Hammond stated former Conservation Director Curt Weiss was law enforcement and he would like to see him proposing a change to Ryne Brimeyer's position to supervise and be responsible for law enforcement employees that are completing their requirements. This suggestion would save money and provide a salary increase for Brimeyer. Hammond reviewed the Deep Lake Cabins increase in reservations and the revenue increases it generates. Sauer requested a list of annual cabin reservations or reviews for the year 2024.

Deep Lakes Park sewer and water project. Hammond stated County Attorney Jim Barry has sent agreements to the City of Muscatine and Muscatine Power and Light Company regarding the sewer. Hammond has contacted the engineering firm to request a timeline.

Medical Examiner Tom Summitt reviewed the FY24/25 budget request for a new medical examiner. Summitt stated he is a new examiner. Summitt stated there are no significant changes with other budgets. Summitt reported there were 338 deaths in 2023 and there have been 21 deaths in 2024.

County Sheriff Quinn Riess reviewed the FY24/25 budget request stating there are increases or the patrol budget for education and training (patrol and jail budget). Patrol vehicle and equipment maintenance, gas, expense, food and ammunition. Riess stated the communications equipment budget increase is for a switch to a watch guard camera system. Riess stated the jail budget shows an increase. Riess said he has been signed up for the Johnson Control system. Controls Contract is a new line item to replace the Johnson Control system. Medical Contract budget is a significant decrease due to a change to a mental health contract.

Riess stated they receive reimbursement from the Mental Health region for services and stated they currently have one full-time nurse and one contracted nurse. Riess stated they do not have a lot of provisions are increases due to industry increases.

Riess stated Waste Disposal Services stated the same as the department has been working with a company called Dues & Memberships LLC with has made for a substantial reduction in costs and the company is easier to deal with. Dues & Memberships has increased as the Iowa State Sheriff & Corrections Association has opted for membership to include recreational staff and reserve officers. Check asked if Riess expects a law enforcement shooting range property to be secured this next year and if commissary funds will always be available over the next few years. Riess stated no as he cannot guarantee the entire commissary funds will always be available for a facility as he has other projects going on.

Jail Diversion program will be on hold starting February 8, 2024 due to an employee who oversees the program will be on maternity leave. Riess stated the program will not be decreased which is a concern for revenue.

Riess presented the ARPA Muscatine County Drug Task Force Post Completion report (for which \$75,000 was allocated in fiscal year 2022 for calendar year 2023 to the Muscatine County Drug Task Force

## Miscellaneous Notices

which Detective Sheridan Billhorn is the head of the force; 50 arrests for both drug possession and drug trafficking, issued and served 30 search warrants, identified nine drug trafficking organizations, arrested 67 other persons of interest.

Riess reported the force confiscated the following: 620 grams of cocaine, 1200 grams of methamphetamine, 70 grams of marijuana, 500 fentanyl pills, 14 fire arms and \$5400 in currency. Riess stated he is currently providing counseling to four citizens who have been charged with possession of a fentanyl pill overdose cases in our area.

Riess stated the Drug Task Force took part in 183 operations and assisted other counties on local, state and federal levels. The Board recessed at 10:40 A.M. and adjourned.

Community Services Director Felicia Toppert reviewed the FY24/25 budget request stating there are no significant changes. Toppert stated the General Assistance budget for MCSA Shelter Payments had increased by \$3,000.00 but the MCSA Shelter Base Rate has been increased \$3,000 due to citizens being shelter repeaters and some shelter stays also go over the 90 days allowed. Toppert stated the number of citizens in shelter only allows for seven day stay unless MCSA uses federal money they can move them to another shelter. Toppert stated she has not increased her budget in food and rent as there are no requests for increased numbers of funds are waning. Toppert stated she will be reviewing the current rent payments budget and other resources available with the new Community Services Director Jessica L. Gopes. Schreiber stated the increase in the budget was due to additional social worker who was just hired and currently there were two Directors until Toppert's retirement. Toppert reviewed Veteran's Affairs budget request with no significant changes except for "food allowance" to pay travel expenses for Veteran's Affairs Director Eric Sanders. Toppert complimented Sanders work with veterans and how his work has been highly integrated with the entire department for the purpose of serving all trust clients, fiduciary side and military pensions for conservators. Toppert stated she has taken out service management from the mental health administration budget as the service management is determined by regional agencies determining what is required. Toppert stated the Community Services department does not have the time to provide the required services but Toppert can make referrals to the care providers.

Toppert requested the Board to approve MCSA to take the shelter contract and apply the money toward the permanent supported housing project which will lower the amount of beds in the shelter. Toppert thanked the Board for approving the contract and for her working as the Director. Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber thanked Toppert for her work with stabilizing the department and that she has expressed her willingness to be accepted as the new Director. Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber reviewed the Administration /Board of Supervisors FY24/25 budget request stating the increase for salaries is primarily the adjustment for grading increases. Administrative Kala Naber's position recently.

Budget Administrator Kala Naber reviewed the Court Services FY24/25 budget requests stating there is a large decrease in Juvenile Detention budget due to state law requiring county pay for detention stays. Naber stated DHS budget has decreased their budget item for telephone service and a decrease is shown for DHS reimbursements.

Budget Administrator Kala Naber reviewed the Departmental FY24/25 budget requests stating estimated increases for MUSCUM are due to moving to ISICS contract fees. Schreiber stated liability insurance and the public officers' association have a significant increase as ICAP agency has notified all counties to expect a 4.0% increase.

Budget Administrator Kala Naber reviewed the Capital Projects/LATCF/ARPA FY24/25 budget requests reviewed the Capital Projects Lindsey Phillips presented. Naber stated the LATCF balance of \$55,000 needs to be obligated by December 2024 and expended by 2026. Naber stated ARPA funds for the Auditor's office remodel are being promised for the next session with the sports complex and the courthouse roof replacement project.

The Board recessed at 12:52 P.M. and reconvened at 12:56 P.M.

The Board reviewed the General Fund Budget and the Supplemental Fund report and levy rate options presented by Naber.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 P.M. ATTEST:

County Clerk Lindsey Phillips  
County Auditor  
Jeff Sorenson, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors

**Unofficial Minutes  
MUSCATINE SCHOOL BOARD OF  
EDUCATION  
SPECIAL SESSION  
January 19, 2024**

The Board of Education of the Muscatine Community School District met in special session on Friday, January 19, 2024 at 12:30 p.m. at the Muscatine Community School District Administration Center, 2901 Mulberry Avenue. The purpose of the meeting was to take action on the Major Field Trip Request to Beijing, China. President John Dabeat called the meeting to order. Directors Matt Conard, Karen Cooney, David LaRue and Lindsey Phillips were present. Directors Dennis Schum and Kim Schneider were absent. Also present was Superintendent Clint Christopher.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. President Dabeat welcomed visitors and members of the community.

A motion was made by Director Phillips and seconded by Director LaRue to approve the Major Student Field Trip to Beijing China. All ayes; motion carried.

A motion was made by Director Cooney and seconded by Director Phillips to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried. Time: 12:41p.m.

John Dabeat, President  
Daphne J. Donald, Secretary

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE REVISION REGULATING ATV/UTV**

Public Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Muscatine, Iowa will hold a public hearing on the Ordinance revisions proposed to City Code Title 7 Chapter 2. Said hearing will be held in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, Muscatine, IA on February 1, 2024. If unable to attend in person please see link below to join virtually at [www.muscatineowa.gov](http://www.muscatineowa.gov).

Carol Webb, City Administrator

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Muscatine County Board of Supervisors  
Monday, January 15, 2024

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

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

On a motion by Mather, second by Sauer, the Board moved to reschedule the public hearing on proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and cost estimate for the Muscatine County Jail Exterior Insulated Metal Panel Installation Project to Monday, January 22, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Chick, second by Kirchner, the Board moved to reschedule the public hearing on proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and cost estimate for the Muscatine County Jail Exterior Insulated Metal Panel Installation Project to Monday, January 22, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Chick, second by Sauer, the Board approved Resolution 2024-01-11 Entitled: A Temporary Moratorium on the Issuance of Special Use Permits for Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems. Roll call vote: Ayes: All.

**RESOLUTION #01-15-24-01**

**ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL USE PERMITS FOR COMMERCIAL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS.**

WHEREAS, the size and impact of Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems have the potential to create an excessive burden on the County's infrastructure, the environment, wildlife, nearby property owners and a potential to interfere with the operation of Doppler radar and radar weather systems;

WHEREAS, Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems are a special permitted use in the A-1 Agricultural, I-1 Light Industrial and I-2 Heavy Industrial

Barry stated the attorney in Washington D.C. is stating the county's easement and release needs to consent to the government wetlands easement. Planning and Zoning Administrator, Jeff Furnas, responded that the flood plain ordinance stating it limits activity in a flood plain with a permit required for dredging, excavating, fill and reconstruction of water ways. Furnas asked if the landowners could request to be released from the 1975 agreement. Board member Yerington asked could be asked if we get to that point. Kirchner asked if the bridge project on Highway F70 will be impacted. Horesowsky stated he is reviewing the project as there are wetland easements on both sides of the highway. Yerington stated it is a way challenges. The Board consensus was to have Barry send the letter of consent as discussed.

The Board recess at 9:34 A.M. and reconvened at 9:45 A.M.

County Attorney Jaim Barry reviewed the FY24-25 MAGIC budget request stating a new aerial imagery (last done in 2019) will be done in 2024. Yerington stated they will be entering into a new Asri License Agreement with a reduction in cost from \$39,000 to \$30,000. Yerington stated there is a parcel of land that the county expected with conversion and trimming. County Attorney Jaim Barry reviewed the FY24-25 budget request is primarily costs of living adjustments. Barry stated there is a reduction in office expenses due to the new software and the new fire alarm system. Barry stated the fine collection revenue will be deposited into the general fund and keep a balance of \$10,000. Barry stated fine collection effort has been impacted by legislative action with the new fine schedule. Barry stated there are now so delinquent fines do not have to be paid to obtain this license, which has created collection difficulties. Barry stated that in fine collections there is legislation for

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A black and white photograph of two young women sitting and reading the Muscatine Journal newspaper. The woman on the left is looking down at the paper, while the woman on the right is looking up and to the side. They are both wearing dark clothing. The newspaper is open, showing various articles and a large photo on the right page. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

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