

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, January 16, 2018

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in special session at 9:00 A.M. with Howard, Sauer, Sorensen and Bonebrake present. Mather joined the meeting at 9:09 A.M. Chairperson Sauer presiding.

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

Tom Summitt, Chief Medical Examiner Investigator, reviewed the FY18/19 budget request for Medical Examiner stating he has seen an increase in death investigation examinations in 2017 by 20 over the 70 they had in 2016. Summitt stated there were 36 autopsies in 2017. Summitt stated Dr. Weis' Medical Examiner fee increased from \$4,000 to \$4,800 and Education/Training was increased slightly because he is expecting an increase in dues for the Iowa Association of County Medical Examiners. Summitt stated he will be moving into the old Board of Supervisors room on the second floor of the Courthouse which will be a better location for the Medical Examiner's Office. Summitt updated the Board on new medical examiner investigator software they are going to be utilizing in the Medical Examiner's Office.

Summitt stated the EMS Grant for FY18/19 is budgeted at \$7,500 and is granted regionally rather than by County. Summitt stated Clinton County and Genesis are the administrators of the grants for Muscatine County. Summitt stated they have made it extremely difficult to access the grant funds. Summitt stated he has attended three meetings a month in order to meet the goals for receiving the grant funds for training, but he has yet to see any of the funds this year.

County Engineer Keith White reviewed the FY18/19 budget request for Secondary Roads stating they are expecting to spend \$1,405,000 in construction with \$424,000 expected to be reimbursed through federal bridge funding. White stated the budget request for road maintenance reflects an increase in asphalt and shoulders for overlays on Kelly Avenue and Bancroft Avenue. White stated the budget request for new equipment in the amount of \$786,000 is for the purchase of two new tandems with equipment, trade of the tractor backhoe and two medium duty trucks. White stated the budget request includes completing the rest of the parking lot behind Building 1 and in front of Building 2. White stated the budget request overall is showing no increase from FY17/18.

The Board reviewed the FY18/19 budget requests for Administration/Board of Supervisors, Court Services, DHS and General Services with Budget Administrator Sherry Seright and Administrative Services Director Nancy Schreiber.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02 A.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. Soule, County Auditor

Scott Sauer, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors