



City of Muscatine

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bark called the City Council meeting for March 10, 2026, to order at 05:30 PM.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: Nadine Brockert, John Jindrich, Jeff Osborne, Peggy Gordon, Angie Lewis, Don Lampe, Matt Conard.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. Presentation on LEAP Program by Allie Burkey, MPH

Allie Burkey - Iowa State University Outreach Extension was present to share information with City Council regarding the LEAP Program.

Mr. Burkey stated this is a grant funded program to raise awareness and help counties with obesity rates over 40% get help with healthy food options and making healthy activities available for the public use.

Councilmembers had questions regarding what the council can do to promote the program and what happens to the program when the funding source expires.

B. Housing Authority Discussion - Kylie Franklin

Kylie Franklin - Hinders, Updegraff and Franklin, was present to share information with the council regarding the Housing Authority and Public Housing. Ms. Franklin reviewed the pros for the city to have a Municipal Housing Authority to include : access to federal housing funding, control of federal housing funding, local control over affordable housing, addressing local housing shortages, economic stability for community, redevelopment opportunities. Ms. Franklin then addressed the cons to include: Federal regulations, Funding shortfalls for operating or repair costs of buildings, political and community conflicts, liability and legal risks.

Ms. Franklin then reviewed the different ways for the City to get out of Public Housing and stated that it would take 3-5 years in order to make that happen. She stated options to get out of the Public Housing include: convert

public housing to private ownership through RAD (Rental Assistance Demonstration), Transferring another housing authority (regional/county), convert to tenant based vouchers.

Councilmembers thanked Ms. Franklin for the information and asked questions. City Council concurred that further information and meetings need to be scheduled before any type of decision can be made.

5. STAFF, COUNCIL AND MAYOR REPORTS

6. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Gordon moved the meeting be adjourned at 06:33 PM.