

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 12, 2013

13-08-12 1 The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met on August 12, 2013, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Al Bloemendaal, John Degen, Arlyn Kleinwolverink, Mark Sybesma and Dennis Wright.

13-08-12 2 Minutes of the meetings held on July 30, 2013, were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

13-08-12 3 Aaron Haverdink, Sioux County General Services Director reported that the Iowa Department of Human Services has accepted payment of \$86,000 to settle Sioux County's account.

13-08-12 4 Coleman McAllister, Sioux County Attorney was not present for the meeting but requested that the Board approve a contract with the Iowa Department of Justice for a Crime Victim Witness Grant in the amount of \$19,481.00. Motion by Kleinwolverink and supported by Degen to authorize the Chairman to sign the Federal Victims of Crime Act Contract CFDA #16.575. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

13-08-12 5 Discussed and approved a Union Negotiation Contract with Harvey Wiltsey for this coming year of \$13,800. Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a contract for union negotiations with Harvey Wiltsey for \$13,800 for this coming year. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

13-08-12 6 Nate Huizenga, Sioux County Emergency Management Director requested that the Chairman sign a fiscal agent agreement with COAD. COAD stands for Community Organizations Active in Disasters. Sioux County acts as the fiscal sponsor for the Northwest Iowa COAD which is made up of 11 counties. The money is used for training and equipment to help prepare volunteer groups and individuals to become active participants in assisting emergency management and other government entities during a disaster situation. Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolverink to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the COAD designation of representative form. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

13-08-12 7 Dan Altena, Sioux County Sheriff reported that things continue to go well in that office. Altena noted that drug arrests are up and violence seems to be escalating. Citations continue to increase, in part, due to working with the Iowa State Patrol and the Iowa Department of Transportation on saturation programs. Sioux County has had one traffic fatality so far this year. The Communications Department has received approximately 5,000 calls this year. Next Generation 911 has been added to the equipment in the Communications Department. Weapon permits have decreased over the past months.

13-08-12 8 Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer

- Requested Board approval on permit agreements for the following projects:
 - Long Lines – Run fiber optics on the west side of Ironwood Avenue on the shoulder of road to the Sioux County Jail in Section 30 of Holland Township.
 - Darryl Muilenburg – Bury transfer culvert for feed lot run off between Sections 30 and 31 in Sherman Township.

Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Degen to approve the aforementioned permit agreements. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

- A letter has been prepared for rural water companies in regard to the placement of water lines in the County's Right of Way, urging the use of private property instead of ROW. The Engineer asked for input from the Supervisors. The letter was discussed and the Engineer was directed to send it to all Rural Water Directors.
- Informed the Board that FEMA met with his office to assess the damages after the heavy rains this spring. There will be a lot of debris to cleanup. Julius is looking at equipment to purchase that will help with cleanup.
- Updated the Board on progress of construction projects.

13-08-12 9 Deb Korleski, Ireton City Clerk brought a request for financial aid before the Board. Also in attendance were Del Schipper, Ireton's Street Maintenance Director and Doug Houlton, representing Ireton area farmers. Korleski requested that the Board assist with hard surfacing Eighth Street on the southern side of Ireton. This street receives heavy traffic from tractors with wagons and trucks, which utilize the grain facilities in Ireton. A petition started in the community asks that the Sioux County Board of Supervisors designate Eighth Street as a farm to market road so that funding can be made available. Schipper stated that seal coating the street does not provide a long term solution to the problem because of the heavy equipment which causes it to break down. Houlton cited examples of the amount of traffic that uses that street and also expressed concern about safety issues with using an alternative route. The County Engineer stated that Eighth Street is not designated as a farm to market road under the county road system; therefore it cannot be utilized for farm to market funding. Julius stated that County funds cannot be used for city streets. Supervisor Wright mentioned that there were many signatures (including that of the Mayor) from Ireton on a petition protesting the Sioux County Budget this spring. The city is asking for money which would need to increase taxes for all Sioux County residents. The Chairman stated that the County Engineer would review this request and respond to Korleski with his findings.

13-08-12 10 Rob Klocke, Sioux County Conservation Director distributed a draft memorandum of understanding between the City of Sioux Center and the County. The Board requested this document at their last meeting, Klocke requested that the Board approve an application for a REAP (Resource Enhancement and Protection) in the amount of \$600,000.00 grant to help fund the purchase of the Sandy Hollow recreation area. The city of Sioux Center would commit \$50,000 per year for the next 5 years after the REAP grant is awarded for capital improvement projects approved by the Conservation Board. Should the County be successful in purchasing the property, the ongoing cost is estimated to be \$175,000.00. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Degen to allow the Conservation Board to proceed with application of a grant for the purchase of property known as Sandy Hollow. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

13-08-12 11 COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Sybesma** –Reported that the Northwest Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund, Inc. announced that the FY14 award from the Iowa Finance Authority is increased. This is a one-time increase. The award for the region increased \$72,530 from the amount set for FY13. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Wright to approve an increase

in matching funds by the County for the Northwest Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

- **Wright** – a) YES Board labor negotiations are complete. Central Iowa Detention continues to cause concern for the YES Board.
- **Sybesma** and **Wright** attended an ISAC Supervisors Board meeting in Des Moines

13-08-12 12 Claims as submitted by the Auditor were approved for payment.

13-08-12 13 The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m. The next meeting will be held on August 27, 2013, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Lois Huitink
Sioux County Auditor