

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 8, 2017

- 1) The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Sybesma presiding. Members present were John Degen, Arlyn Kleinwolterink, Dennis Wright, Mark Sybesma, and Al Bloemendaal.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held on July 18, 2017, were submitted, and the Chairman declared them approved.
- 3) The claims were approved as submitted by the County Auditor.
- 4) Tom Kunstle, Sioux County Attorney,
 - Informed the Board that Meghan List is no longer employed with Sioux County and that she took a new job in Sioux City. The position has been advertised and they have received applications.
 - Discussed the administrative order from Judge Hoffmeyer in regards to banning weapons in courthouses.
 - Reported that there are approximately 10 driving under the influence charges each month and the number of those due to alcohol is decreasing, but the number due to drugs and prescription drugs, is increasing.
- 5) Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the Rock Valley Golf Course liquor license renewal request. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6) Committee Reports:
 - **Wright** – Reported on the YES Board meeting from July 21. The YES Center continues to have 8 to 15 people housed there.
 - **Wright & Sybesma** – Reported on the Sioux Rivers Mental Health strategic planning session from August 3. The meeting was very positive and focused on collaboration.
 - **Bloemendaal & Sybesma** – 1) Reported on sessions they attended at the NACo conference in regards to cybersecurity, FEMA, family health, and the proposed service from ITBS for natural disaster assistance for NACo members. 2) Reported on the Sioux County Regional Airport Board meeting.
 - **Bloemendaal** – Attended a Trails meeting on August 1.
 - **Degen** – Reported that digging is taking place at Sandy Hollow to merge two ponds, and will be attending a Conservation Board meeting on Wednesday.
 - **Kleinwolterink** – 1) Attended a Safety Committee meeting, 2) Cherokee Mental Health meeting and reported that they have had 1,200 referrals to that facility in the last 3 months. 115 people are currently in the sex offender unit of that facility, 3) and reported that the Building and Grounds Committee will be meeting with Jon Buiter in regards to the geothermal system.
- 7) Ryan Dokter, Sioux County Auditor, requested direction from the Board on an information request from the Northwest Iowa Review, in regards to violations during inspection of the Dakota Access Pipe Line. The County received a report listing violations from the pipe line inspection company, ISG, but the list did not contain any names. The Northwest Iowa Review is requesting the landowner's names where the violations occurred. County Attorney, Tom

Kunstle, said this information should be released under the Iowa Open Records law. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Wright to request the landowner's names from ISG to provide to the Northwest Iowa Review. Motion carried unanimously.

8) Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer,

- Presented 4 permit agreements for approval 1) Northwest REC, Section 28 of Welcome Township to run an overhead line, 2) Northwest REC, Section 17 and 18 of West Branch Township to bury an electric line, 3) HTC, Section 11 of Holland Township to bury a fiber cable, and 4) Southern Sioux Rural Water, Section 29 crossing into Section 32 of West Branch Township to bury a water line. Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to approve the permits. Motion carried unanimously.
- Requested the Board approve the a contract modification for a late start date to August 14, 2017 for project BROS-CO84(155)—5F-84. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Wright to approve the late start date to August 14, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.
- Updated the Board on secondary road activities, and the progress of the construction projects that are active.

9) Jack Reed, INCS,

- Reviewed the new collective bargaining law with the Board.
- Discussed the changes in the worker's compensation law and the new Return to Work forms the County will use for temporary light duty.
- Reviewed the proposed changes to the handbook effective September 1, 2017. Motion by Kleinwolterink, and supported by Wright to approve the proposed changes to the handbook effective September 1, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

10) The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Ryan Dokter
Sioux County Auditor