

**MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 1, 2019**

- 1) The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were John Degen, Carl Vande Weerd, Al Bloemendaal, Jerry Muilenburg, and Mark Sybesma.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held on September 17, 2019 were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.
- 3) Claims were approved for October 1, 2019 as submitted by the County Auditor.
- 4) Micah Van Maanen, Sioux County IT Director,
  - Reported that 27 computers have been ordered and will be replaced in County offices.
  - Will be setting up the computer equipment in the Nature Center in approximately 3 weeks when the staff moves into the facility.
  - Updated the Board on the financial software conversion. Parallel payroll is taking place this week. November/December is the timeframe to go live on the software.
  - This Saturday, will be moving equipment in the Centre Mall for the Driver's License station to the old Center Sports location.
  - In November/December, will be switching to OneDrive from Dropbox for file sharing services.
- 5) Ryan Dokter, Sioux County Auditor, discussed modifying the budget process for the County budget to have separate budget workshops which would keep the regular County business separate from the budgeting process. Dokter also discussed getting the agency funding requests all in before the end of the calendar year, to help determine the level of funding the County can provide once all of the departmental budgets have been submitted. The Board preferred to keep the process as is, but would entertain having all of the agency funding requests in by December 31 and for Dokter to send correspondence to all of the agencies the County currently funds.
- 6) Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer,
  - Updated the Board on secondary road activities as well as the progress of construction projects from the Construction Map.
  - Distributed a map showing the 2019 HMA patching areas and the 2019 full depth repair areas.
  - Requested Board approval of the following Title VI Compliance Resolution. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Vande Weerd to approve the resolution as presented. Roll Call on Vote: Muilenburg, Yes; Degen, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution # 2019-33**

*WHEREAS*, Sioux County has been the recipient of federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation; and

*WHEREAS*, in receiving such financial assistance Sioux County is mandated to comply with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa Department of Transportation has directed Sioux County to adopt certain documents and put certain programs into place in order to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to continue receiving federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation, the adoption of certain documents and establishment of certain programs is necessary.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Sioux County that:

1. Douglas G. Julius, Sioux County Engineer is hereby designated the Title VI coordinator for Sioux County.
2. The *Sioux County Title VI Agreement* is hereby adopted and that the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors and Title VI Coordinator are authorized to sign said plan where required.
3. The *Standard DOT Title VI Assurances* are hereby adopted and that the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to sign said document where required.
4. The *Title VI Notice to the Public* is hereby adopted and shall be posted where other public notices are displayed in the Sioux County Courthouse. Furthermore, said notice shall be placed on the County's official website.
5. The Title VI Coordinator is authorized to take any other actions necessary and/or recommended by the Iowa Department of Transportation, or the designated authority to comply with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Passed and Approved this 1st day of October, 2019.

ATTEST:

/s/Mark Sybesma, Chairperson  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

/s/Ryan Dokter  
Sioux County Auditor

## 7) Committee Reports:

- **Bloemendaal** – 1) Reported on the Trails meeting. A representative from DGR reported that on average, one mile of trail costs \$300,000. The DGR representative encouraged the committee to apply for grants to fund the construction of a trail from Sandy Hollow to Orange City. The land on the proposed route would be leased and the committee has been trying to determine what entity should hold the lease. The County Board has no desire to hold that lease. Landowners on the route were sent correspondence to get letters of intent. 2) On September 19, attended a Northwest Iowa Planning and Development meeting. Reported that Val Bonney is retiring. 3) Reported on the RIDES meeting and noted that the maintenance employee is retiring after 34 years of service. The new bus garage is nearly complete in Sioux Center. 4) On September 25, attended a MidSioux meeting. The funding from the federal government will continue for another year for the agency. Reported that there is a childcare shortage in the county, which may be attributed to the compliance standards for licensing the childcare facilities.
- **Muilenburg** – 1) Reported on the Landfill meeting from September. It was a record month for the agency. 2) Attended the quarterly meeting of the Rural Workforce Development Board. They anticipate the district realignment will be complete by next summer. The unemployment rate for Sioux County in August was 1.6%.

- **Degen** – Requested that Head Custodian Denny Vander Wel report on the boiler system quote. Vander Wel reported that Rasmussen provided the low bid, but that bid does not contain costs for electrical work. Rasmussen recommended that spring would be a better time to replace the system due to the proximity to winter currently, but that pricing for the equipment will go up by 5% at the start of 2020. Degen recommended that the County proceed with replacement in the spring and to see if pre-payment for the equipment would be an option. The Board will make a formal approval at the October 15 meeting.
- **Vande Weerd** – 1) Attended the Northwest Iowa Development Partner meeting on September 18 at the new Rock Valley Events Center. 2) Reported on the YES Board meeting from September 20. The agency appreciates Sioux County’s use of their transportation services.
- **Vande Weerd & Sybesma** – 1) Reported on the Sioux Rivers Mental Health Board meeting from September 24. The Region voted to accept the bid from the Seasons Center for their mobile crisis unit services for the three counties in the region. Reported on the services provided by Creative Living in local schools. 2) Reported on a meeting for the Northwest Iowa Housing Trust in Hull. Hull has a low-income housing project and the Housing Trust Board is open to funding some of this project through loans.

8) The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 15, 2019.

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Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

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Ryan Dokter  
Sioux County Auditor