

**MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 16, 2021**

- 1) The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Jerry Muilenburg presiding. Members present were Jerry Muilenburg, Al Bloemendaal, John Degen, Carl Vande Weerd and Mark Sybesma.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held on November 9, 2021 were submitted. Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Degen to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3) Kalyn Decker, Sioux County Elections Administrator, presented the results for the 2021 City/School Election held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 for the 2nd-tier canvass. Motion by Sybesma and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the 2nd-tier canvass of the 2021 City/School Election from November 2, 2021. Motion carried unanimously. Decker also reported that the total cost of the city/school election was \$34,502.96 and that cost will be billed to all the cities and schools in the county based on a formula.

BOYDEN-HULL CSD

<u>Director, Dist. 1</u>		
Mark Nilles	187	Elected
Scattering	1	
<u>Director, Dist. 3</u>		
Gina Woelber	186	Elected
Scattering	2	

MOC-FV CSD

<u>Director, Dist. 3</u>		
Mere Reyes	363	Elected
Scattering	1	
<u>Director, Dist. 5</u>		
Christine Koerselman	382	Elected
Scattering	6	

ROCK VALLEY CSD

<u>Director, At-Large</u>		
Jacob Brosamle	417	Elected
Shelli Rens	405	Elected
Steven Van Den Top	356	Elected
Mike Suter	343	
Scattering	7	

Public Measure TK

Shall the Board of Directors of the Rock Valley Community School District, in the Counties of Sioux and Lyon, State of Iowa, for the purpose of purchasing and improving grounds; constructing schoolhouses or buildings and opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings; purchasing of buildings; purchase, lease or lease-purchase of technology and equipment; paying debts contracted for the erection or construction of schoolhouses or buildings, not including interest on bonds; procuring or acquisition of libraries; repairing, remodeling, reconstructing, improving, or

expanding the schoolhouses or buildings and additions to existing schoolhouses; expenditures for energy conservation; renting facilities under Iowa Code Chapter 28E; purchasing transportation equipment for transporting students; lease purchase option agreements for school buildings or equipment; purchasing equipment authorized by law; or for any purpose or purposes now or hereafter authorized by law, be authorized for a period of ten (10) years, to levy annually, a voter-approved physical plant and equipment property tax not to exceed One Dollar (\$1.00) per One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) of the assessed valuation of the taxable property within the school district commencing with the levy for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, or each year thereafter?

Yes	382
No	138

Public Measure Passed.

Public Measure TL

Summary: To adopt a Revenue Purpose Statement specifying the use of revenues the Rock Valley Community School District will receive from the State of Iowa Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund.

In the Rock Valley Community School District, the following Revenue Purpose Statement which specifies the use of revenues the Rock Valley Community School District will receive from the State of Iowa Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund shall be adopted.

To provide funds to acquire or install information technology infrastructure (including improving buildings or sites for the purpose of accessing broadband digital telecommunications) and school safety and security infrastructure.

To provide funds to build and furnish a new school building or buildings; to build and furnish addition(s) to school buildings in the District; to remodel, reconstruct, repair, expand, and improve the school buildings in the District; to purchase and improve grounds; for demolition work; to furnish and equip district facilities.

To provide funds for the purchase, lease or lease-purchase of buildings, equipment (including transportation and recreation equipment), or technology and to repair transportation equipment for transporting students as authorized by law, to implement energy conservation measures, sharing or rental of facilities including a joint infrastructure project for the purposes of offering classes under district-to-community college programs as authorized in Iowa Code Section 423F.3(3)(c), procuring or acquisition of libraries, or opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings.

To provide funds to purchase land as part of start-up costs for new student construction program or if the sale of the previous student construction was insufficient to purchase land, and to purchase construction materials and supplies for a student-constructed building or shed intended to be retained by and used by the District.

To provide funds to make payments to a municipality or other entity as required under Iowa Code Section 403.19(2).

To provide funds for demolition, cleanup, and other costs if such costs are necessitated by, and incurred within two years of, a disaster.

To provide funds to establish and maintain public recreation places and playgrounds; provide for supervision and instruction for recreational activities; or for community education purposes.

To provide funds for the payment of principal and interest or retirement of general obligation bonds issued for school infrastructure purposes, energy improvement loans, loan agreements authorized by Iowa Code Section 297.36, sales, service and use tax revenue bonds issued under Iowa Code Section 423E.5 or Iowa Code Section 423F.4.

To provide funds for property tax relief; and

To provide funds for other authorized expenditures and purposes as now or hereafter permitted by law and designated by the Rock Valley Community School District.

It being understood that if this proposition should fail to be approved by the voters, such failure shall not be construed to terminate or restrict authority previously granted by the voters to expend receipts from the Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund.

If approved, this Revenue Purpose Statement shall remain in effect until replaced or amended by the Rock Valley Community School District.

Yes	431
No	108

Public Measure Passed.

WEST SIOUX CSD

Director, Dist. 1

Russell Coons	537	Elected
Scattering	6	

Director, Dist. 2

Gary Donald Witt	557	Elected
Scattering	6	

Director, Dist. At-Large

Ken Koch	242	
Travis Dean Waterman	378	Elected
Scattering	8	

NORTHWEST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Director, Dist. 1

Cynthia Porter	892	Elected
Scattering	11	

Director, Dist. 4

Steve Loshman	881	Elected
Scattering	2	

Director, Dist. 7

Larry Hoekstra	625	Elected
Scattering	1	

4) Committee Reports:

- **Vande Weerd** – Will be meeting with Tim Childress to discuss the agenda for the Supervisor District 3 meeting, which will take place December 1.
- **Muilenburg** – 1) Reported on the Temporary Redistricting Commission meeting from November 10. The Commission is developing precinct plans and has tentatively planned to have a public hearing on December 6, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. in the Board Room. This is dependent on the cities of Rock Valley, Sioux Center, and Orange City having their precincts determined. If those cities are not ready, the public hearing will be delayed a week or more. 2) Reported on the Landfill meeting and the agency put out bid documents for a cell expansion and Evora Consulting was contracted for forming and distributing the bids documents for a cost of \$140,000.
- **Bloemendaal & Muilenburg** – Reported on the Airport Board meeting from November 15. The agency approved a bid contract with Schelling Construction for an addition to the maintenance building with an estimated cost of \$235,600. This project is eligible for a \$150,000 grant. The agency completed the yearly evaluation for the Airport Manager. The airport employs 13 to 14 employees for the maintenance and upkeep of the property as well as charter flights. The agency also approved a request to build a maintenance shop for Crop Dusters LLC, and approved a 5-year plan for construction.
- **Muilenburg & Vande Weerd** – Reported on the ARPA Committee meeting from November 9. The committee reviewed several applications for projects both internally from Sioux County departments and externally. The main categories of projects are as follows: county projects, trails and public benefits, bilingual staff for Community Health Partners; COVID-19 mitigation; incentives for long-term care workers, broadband infrastructure projects, water infrastructure projects, and miscellaneous projects.

- 5) Dan Zomermaand, Sioux County Treasurer, requested an employee promotion for Jayne Hofmeyer to Senior Motor Vehicle Clerk and compensate at \$25/hour for the following reasons/duties: train new motor vehicle clerks, covers the Deputy Treasurer duties when needed, in charge of all delinquent parking tickets, and is in charge of the plate inventory and forms for the DOT. Beyond that, she has 18 years of experience and is vital to the office.

Supervisor Bloemendaal asked why this request is coming now versus the end of the year. Zomermaand responded that in 2020, two new clerks were hired which is very unusual, and it brought to light how valuable she is and currently there is little separation in pay between the people she is training and her wage. He also stated there is a strong desire to keep good employees.

Bloemendaal suggested there are other ways to show employee appreciation rather than through compensation.

Supervisor Sybesma stated that with longevity, employees accrue more vacation time, and he has concerns about other departments making similar requests if this one is approved. He also stated a desire to have some sort of a policy in place or an updated wage scale to address these types of requests.

Bloemendaal preferred to have an increase in wages be included in the next budget and at that point, have a discussion about the increase.

Sybesma stated that the county wants to compensate employees a bit above where businesses are as the county cannot pay bonuses.

Motion by Vande Weerd to accept the proposal to name Jayne Hofmeyer Senior Motor Vehicle Clerk and compensate at \$25/hour, the motion was seconded by Degen and noted his support is due to longevity and experience. Voice vote: Sybesma, No; Degen, Yes; Bloemendaal, No; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes. Motion carries 3 in favor, 2 opposed.

6) Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer,

- Updated the Board on secondary road activities.
- Gravel crushing at Chatsworth will continue until the weather changes. Some extra gravel has been purchased and the plan is to have gravel crushing start at the Groth Pit in the spring.
- Distributed the 2021 Spring and Summer road line painting map. The spring covered 34.3 miles and the summer 50.0 miles.
- The asbestos abatement in the County Home will be completed the week of November 22 or 29.

7) Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Bloemendaal to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m. until Tuesday, November 23, 2021.

Jerry Muilenburg, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Ryan Dokter
Sioux County Auditor