

## **MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

### **MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 18, 2003**

The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:30 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Loren Bouma, Vernon Beernink, Mark Sybesma, Bernard L. Smith and Stanley L. De Haan.

Minutes of February 11, 2003 were read and on motion and vote stand approved as read.

Committee reports were given this date.

Melissa O'Rourke, County Attorney, met with the Board this date to update them on the status of lawsuits filed by eight Sioux County banks against the Sioux County Board of Review in Sioux County District Court protesting valuation increases. She stated that the County Attorney's office is currently in a negotiation stage to try and settle the eight lawsuits to avoid potential costly litigation.

Melissa O'Rourke, County Attorney, also reported on a matter affecting the County Treasurer's office in which an out of county person is trying to initiate the illegal release of liens on motor vehicles in Sioux County.

Robert Hagey, County Treasurer, met with the Board this date to report on an annual report for the Sioux County Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund for calendar year 2002. He also reviewed the contents of Iowa legislative Senate File bills 41 and 97 pertaining to revamping the property system and increasing drivers' license fees, respectively.

Nancy Dykstra, Executive Director of Community Health Partners of Sioux County, met with the Board this date to submit and review a semi-annual report covering community health services for the period from July through December, 2002. She also reported that Community Health Partners of Sioux County conducts free and confidential testing for sexually transmitted

diseases and HIV. She also reported that the national pharmaceutical stock pile has an adequate supply of vaccine for mass inoculations of certain diseases.

Nancy Dykstra, Executive Director of Community Health Partners of Sioux County, also requested the need for additional and/or designated parking spaces on immunization days in front of the Iowa Department of Human Services/Public Health Facility.

The consensus of the Board pertaining to the limited number of parking spaces in front of the Iowa Department of Human Services/Public Health Facility was to meet with officials from the City of Orange City about the designation of a number of parking spaces on immunization days to alleviate the parking problem. Stanley L. De Haan, County Supervisor, volunteered to assist Nancy Dykstra, Executive Director of Community Health Partners of Sioux County, in meeting with officials from the City of Orange City to check into designating a number of parking spaces on immunization days for Community Health Partners of Sioux County.

Shane Walter, County Community Services Director, met with the Board this date to update them on Sioux County's status on complying with HIPAA (Health Insurance and Portability Accounting Act) federal regulations. He reported that computer software has been purchased to assist Sioux County in completing forms and complying with HIPAA (Health Insurance and Portability Accounting Act) federal regulations.

Motion by Bouma and supported by De Haan to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a Class B Beer Permit Renewal Application for the Hull Golf Association effective April 1, 2003. Carried, unanimous in favor.

Motion by Smith and supported by Bouma to approve the following Construction Evaluation Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2003-02**

## CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 455B.200E, passed by the Iowa Legislature in 2002, sets out the procedure if a Board of Supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve and disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR’s decision regarding a specific application; and

WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operating structure received by the board of supervisors between March 1, 2003 and January 31, 2004 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix as provided in Section 455B.200F, but the board’s recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SIOUX COUNTY that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation pursuant to Iowa Code section 455B.200E.

Signed and dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2003.

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

ATTEST: /s/ Dennis Lange  
Sioux County Auditor

Roll Call on Vote: Bouma, Yes; Beernink, Yes; Sybesma, Yes; Smith, Yes; and De Haan, Yes.

Carried, unanimous in favor.

Doug Julius, County Engineer, met with the Board this date.

Lois Huitink, Deputy Auditor; and Kim Vegter, Real Estate/Accounting Clerk, met with the Board this date to review proposed county department and organizational budget requests for fiscal year 2004.

Motion by Bouma and supported by Beernink to approve the following proposed property tax levies and tax rates for fiscal year 2004, and to instruct the County Auditor to proceed with publication of the county budget estimate for a budget hearing to be held at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on March 11, 2003 as follows:

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Tax Levies</u>	<u>Tax Rates</u>
General Basic	\$3,212,644	\$2.99000
MH-DD Services	1,027,388	.95619
Debt Service	272,791	.23157
Rural Basic	<u>1,178,730</u>	<u>1.84057</u>
Totals	\$5,691,553	\$6.01833

The property tax rates for the General Basic, MH-DD Services and Rural Basic Funds were calculated using the following 2002 taxable valuations:

Rural	\$ 640,417,182
Urban	<u>434,045,682</u>
Total	\$1,074,462,864

The property tax rate for the Debt Service Fund was calculated using the 2002 regular taxable and incremental valuation of \$1,177,984,169.

The tax proposal includes transferring an amount of \$200,000.00 from the Capital Projects Fund to the Debt Service Fund to pay for principal and interest on the bonds for the new County Public Safety Center; therefore decreasing the amount to be levied in the Debt Service Fund by an equivalent amount.

Roll Call on Vote: Bouma, Yes; Beernink, Yes; Sybesma, No; Smith, No; and De Haan, Yes.  
Carried.

The Board approved payment of claims as presented by the County Auditor from all departments this date.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, February 25, 2003.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Dennis Lange  
Sioux County Auditor