

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING HELD ON MARCH 13, 2001

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

Minutes of March 5, 2001 were read and on motion and vote stand approved as read.

Committee reports were given this date.

Mark Schouten, County Attorney, met with the Board this date to report that Northwest Iowa Décor from Sheldon will be replacing the carpet in the County Attorney's office. The carpet was defective because of unraveling seams. He also reported on the temperature differential in the victim witness coordinator's office compared to the rest of the County Attorney's office.

Mark Schouten, County Attorney, also reported that the County Attorney's office collected a total amount of \$92,126.56 in fine collections for the period from July, 1996 through February, 2001.

Shane Walter, County Mental Health Services Administrator, met with the Board this date to request approval and a Chairman's signature on an Iowa Department of Human Services Community Mental Health Center Affiliation form designating Plains Area Mental Health Center as Sioux County's mental health provider. He also stated that Sioux County would not be eligible to apply for state risk pool funds.

Motion by Sybesma and supported by De Haan to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an Iowa Department of Human Services Community Mental Health

Center Affiliation form designating Plains Area Mental Health Center as Sioux County's mental health provider. Carried, unanimous in favor.

Be it remembered that on the 13th day of March, 2001 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., the Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, met in session for the purpose of hearing upon the budget estimate for fiscal year 2002, and as filed with the Board. There was a quorum as required by law.

Thereupon, the Board investigated and found that the notice and place of county budget hearing has according to law and as directed by the Board been published during the week of February 26, 2001 in the three official newspapers in said county, and that Affidavits of Publication thereof were on file with the County Auditor. Thereafter, and on said day the expenditures were taken up and considered and taxpayers heard for and against same as follows:

No one appeared to object to the county budget estimate for fiscal year 2002.

Dennis Lange, County Auditor, received no written comments either for or against said budget estimate.

Jan Vander Zwaag, Deputy Auditor; Robert Hagey, County Treasurer; and Jim Schwiesow, County Sheriff, were present for the aforementioned county budget hearing.

Dennis Lange, County Auditor, received no written comments either for or against said budget estimate.

The County Board of Supervisors reviewed the salary recommendations submitted by the County Compensation Board for the elected county officials.

Motion by Beernink and supported by De Haan to approve the salary recommendations of the Sioux County Compensation Board as submitted to the Board of Supervisors for the elected County Officials for fiscal year 2002 as follows:

<u>Official</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Chairman, Board of Supervisors	\$24,710.00
Member, Board of Supervisors	24,110.00
County Sheriff	55,430.00
County Attorney	76,570.00
County Auditor	45,640.00
County Treasurer	43,790.00
County Recorder	42,230.00

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

The Chairman closed the county budget hearing.

Motion by Beernink and supported by De Haan to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the following Sioux County Budget Summary for fiscal year 2002 as follows:

(Exhibit)

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Tax Levies</u>	<u>Tax Rates</u>
General Basic	\$2,104,393	\$2.05481
MH-DD Services	1,027,388	1.00318
Rural Basic	<u>1,141,949</u>	<u>1.84057</u>
Totals	\$4,273,730	\$4.89856

The property tax rates were calculated using the following 2000 taxable valuations:

Rural	\$ 620,432,248
Urban	<u>403,697,906</u>
Total	\$1,024,130,154

The County tax against cities will be \$3.05799 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation and yields \$1,234,505.

The County tax rate against rural areas will be \$4.89856 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation and yields \$3,039,225

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

Motion by Sybesma and supported by Smith to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the following Property Tax Relief Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-04

ADDITIONAL TAX CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT

WHEREAS, House File 726, as passed by the 77th General Assembly and signed into law May 15, 1997, by the Governor, requires the State of Iowa to fully fund the homestead, military, and low income elderly/disabled property tax credits; and

WHEREAS, the law requires that at least 50 percent of the additional reimbursement above the base year amount will be used toward property tax relief as determined by the county and the remaining amount to be used for infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS, the County of Sioux will receive \$29,754.30 in additional tax credit reimbursement; and

WHEREAS, the County of Sioux will earmark \$29,754.30 of the \$29,754.30 received in additional tax credit reimbursement for property tax relief and no dollars for infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors has determined that using the \$29,754.30 earmarked for property tax relief in the General Basic Fund levy is the best practical use;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board of Supervisors directs that \$29,754.30 be reserved for the purpose of providing property tax relief to the General Basic Fund levy and no dollars be reserved for the purposes of infrastructure funding in the fiscal year 2002 budget.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of March, 2001.

/s/ Loren Bouma, Chairman
County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/ Dennis Lange
Sioux County Auditor

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

Jim Schwiesow, County Sheriff, met with the Board this date to update them on the potential work status of David Pluim, Deputy Sheriff, who is on workmen's compensation and undergoing physical therapy. He stated that an additional amount of \$24,480.00 was paid in shift replacement expenses for David Pluim, Deputy Sheriff, during his work absence. He also reported a large expenditure increases in motor vehicle fuels, food for prisoners and housing prisoners out of county.

Jim Schwiesow, County Sheriff, also reported that the contract law enforcement agreement with the city of Alton expires on April 3, 2001. He stated that would have an adverse effect on the County Sheriff's Department budget.

Dennis Sassman, County Community Services Director, met with the Board this date to report that an application for funds from the legal assistance program for a guardianship case was denied. He also stated that state emergency utility assistance

monies have run out. Additional eligible emergency utility assistance payments will be made from the County General Relief Department budget.

Doug Julius, County Engineer, met with the Board this date to request approval and a Chairman's signature on a Contract and Contractor's Bonds with Kooiker, Inc. of Le Mars for Project No. 84-CO84-089.

Motion by De Haan and supported by Beernink to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a Contract and Contractor's Bonds with Kooiker, Inc. of Le Mars for Project No. 84-CO84-089. Carried, unanimous in favor.

Motion by Smith and supported by Sybesma to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the following Inter-fund Operating Transfer Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-05

WHEREAS, it is desired to make the following inter-fund operating transfer:

\$739,712 from Rural Basic Fund to Secondary Road Fund

WHEREAS, said operating transfer is made in accordance with Section 331.432, 2000 Iowa Code,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Sioux County as follows:

Section 1. The following inter-fund operating transfer is to be made effective March 13, 2001:

\$739,712 from Rural Basic Fund to Secondary Road

Section 2. The County Auditor is directed to correct his books accordingly and to notify the County Treasurer of this inter-fund operating transfer, accompanied with a copy of this resolution and the record of its adoption.

Signed and dated this 13th day of March, 2001.

/s/ Loren Bouma, Chairman
Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/ Dennis Lange

Sioux County Auditor

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

Pat Braesch, Iowa Department of Human Services Case Management Supervisor, met with the Board this date to request approval and a Chairman's signature on a three year Rental Lease Agreement with Sioux County for occupied space in the County Department of Human Services/Public Health Facility. She also requested approval to relocate another case manager to the County Department of Human Services/Public Health Facility.

Dennis Sassman, County Community Services Director; Shane Walter, County Mental Health Services Administrator, were present for the aforementioned Rental Lease Agreement discussion and office space concerns for additional staff. Dennis Sassman, County Community Services Director, also reported that additional office space may be needed for the addition of one or two social workers in his department.

The consensus of the Board was to instruct Mark Schouten, County Attorney, to review a proposed three year Rental Lease Agreement between the Iowa Department of Human Services and Sioux County before making a final decision. The Board will also ask Krull Construction of Orange City to inspect and remodel a storeroom located in the basement of the County Department of Human Services/Public Health Facility to accommodate additional personnel.

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

The Chairman adjourned the meeting until Monday, March 19, 2001.

Loren Bouma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Dennis Lange
Sioux County Auditor