

**MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING HELD ON JULY 8, 2014**

- 14-07-08 1** The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met on July 9, 2014, at 8:00 a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Al Bloemendaal, John Degen, Arlyn Kleinwolterink, Mark Sybesma, and Dennis Wright
- 14-07-08 2** Minutes of the meetings held on June 30, 2014, were submitted. An addition was made, and the Chairman declared them approved.
- 14-07-08 3** Thomas Kunstle, Sioux County Attorney,
- Reported on fines that have been collected. Fines are levied primarily for restitution to victims of crime. Restitution is paid to victims first and then other fees are paid from the money received.
  - Introduced Meghan List, the County's new Victims Witness Coordinator. Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to approve the appointment of Meghan List as the Sioux County Victims Witness Coordinator. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- 14-07-08 4** Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to correct the salary published in the 2015 Salary Resolution for Judy Albin, an employee in the Treasurer's Department. The correct amount is \$17.54 per hour. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- 14-07-08 5** Shane Walter, Sioux County Community Services Director, distributed the final MH/DD Expenditure report for Fiscal Year 2014. The expenditures for the year were \$752,365.49 less than the amount budgeted. For FY 2015, the MH/DD Fund balance will be combined with the other Counties (Cherokee, Plymouth, Sioux, and Woodbury) in Sioux Rivers Regional Mental Health and Disabilities Services.
- 14-07-08 6** Motion by Wright and supported by Kleinwolterink to approve the appointment of Aaron Haverdink to the position of Mental Health and Disabilities Coordinator for Sioux County. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- 14-07-08 7** Judge James Scott came to the Board to request that he be allowed to use an office on the second floor of the Courthouse. He will be retiring and serving as a judge on a part time basis. The request was acknowledged, and the Judge was given permission to retain that office.
- 14-07-08 8** Sherry Zinn and Carol Keyser, representing Northwest Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund, gave a program update for that organization. Shirley Born, Board President, was also present for this discussion. Keyser distributed a PowerPoint presentation which explained how the program works and its financial status. The NWIRHTF was incorporated five years ago. If the total amount of State grant money is not met in any given year, agencies may use remaining funding for improvements to their property. Since its inception, grants have been given to seven agencies and 78 households. In addition, low interest loans have been awarded to households with incomes between 31% and 80% of the Area Median Income. To date, 60 combination grants/low interest loans have been awarded.

**14-07-08 9** Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Bloemendaal to contribute 50% of the amount that a city within the County would provide for agencies that receive funding from the Northwest Iowa Housing Trust Fund. This includes contributions that are made to agencies such as the Family Crisis Center, Habitat for Humanity, and Hope Haven. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

**14-07-08 10** COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Bloemendaal** - Attended a Trails meeting last week Tuesday. Very few people were in attendance at that meeting. Signs for the route have been received.
- **Degen** – Expressed thanks to Rob Klocke and the Conservation Department for the hard work done in getting County campgrounds ready to be open for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, even though there was a lot of clean up following flooding.
- **Wright** – a) Attended a Compass Pointe meeting. Wright reported that funding that was expected in May arrived in June. Health concerns continue to be an issue with the Compass Pointe staff . Funding for substance abuse and prevention and gambling prevention will be combined into one funding stream in Fiscal Year 2015. A new financial director has been hired. b) Kleinwolterink and Wright participated in reading the Declaration of Independence on the Courthouse steps on July 4.

**14-07-08 11** Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer

- Asked the Board to sign the following permit agreement:  
REC –install underground cable in the shoulder of the road in sections 26, 34 and 35 of Garfield Township.  
Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a permit agreement for REC to install underground cable in Garfield Township. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Gave an update on work being done by secondary road. Repairs on bridges in the Rock Valley area continue. No response from FEMA in regard to recent flooding has been received.
- Told the Board that he will install a temporary stop or yield sign at 320<sup>th</sup> and Eagle while a bridge is being repaired.

**14-07-08 12** Claims as submitted by the Auditor’s office were approved for payment.

**14-07-08 13** The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 22, 2014.

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Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lois Huitink  
Sioux County Auditor