

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2005

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, John Degen and Stanley L. De Haan.

After revision, minutes of Tuesday, August 30, 2005, were on motion and vote approved.

Melissa O'Rourke, County Attorney, met with the Board regarding the following matters:

- Distributed three press releases from the Attorney's Office.
- Encouraged the Board to support the Sioux Center Public Library in their request for Vision Iowa Funding.
- Reported on the last Civil Service Commission meeting and requested that the Board ask Lloyd Bierma to consider serving another term as a Commission member.

Micah Van Maanen, County IT Director, requested that the board approve the purchase of Citrix. Motion by Bouma and supported by Degen to support that purchase. It was noted that Counties need to be large enough to make Citrix cost effective, and that Sioux County would benefit by having to purchase less hardware. This purchase would also free up time, used in loading program updates, so that the IT Director could be more effectively used for other tasks. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

A letter was received by the City of Hospers requesting the Chairman's signature on a letter of support for their swimming pool. Motion by De Haan and supported by Beernink to sign a letter of support for the Hospers Swimming Pool project. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Karen Bjorkman, Director of the Sioux Center Public Library, Harold Schiebout, City Manager, Paul Clousing, Assistant City Manager and Kay Kraai, County Representative to the Library, met with the board to request a Letter of Support for the Sioux Center Public Library Project. On July 23, 2003 the Sioux Center Library was destroyed by fire. The building that currently houses the library does not adequately meet the needs of the community. The city is

contributing the land, money being generated by a bond, and money from insurance receipts. Additional funding is anticipated from private donations and fund raisers. One million dollars is being requested from Vision Iowa Funds for this project. The Library Board is requesting \$15,000 of support from the county. Motion by Beernink and supported by Bouma to sign a letter of support for the Sioux Center Community Library Project. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Motion by Beernink and supported by Bouma to contribute \$15,000 over the next three years to the Sioux Center Community Library project. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Because the cost of gas has increased so dramatically, an increase in mileage reimbursement was discussed. Motion by Bouma and supported by Beernink to set the mileage reimbursement rate at \$.41 per mile, retroactive to September 1, 2005. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Committee Reports given this date:

Bouma reported that the 28E consortium, in the past, has utilized one of the participating counties' CPCs as their secretary. It was decided to hire a secretary to fill this position. It will cost each county in the consortium \$100 pre year for this service. Report received for information.

Sybesma reported on the 3rd Judicial District meeting.

De Haan reported that the City of Akron will be joining the Sioux County Landfill.

The Chairman instructed the Auditor's office to place an ad in all of the papers in the county for any person or entity that would be interested in the AVM voting machines, for historical purposes.

Doug Julius, County Engineer, met with the Board and requested that the Chairman sign the following permit agreement:

- Southern Sioux Rural Water, Water line crossing through the intersection at 570th Street and Fir Avenue into Plymouth County - Section 34 in Reading Twp,
- Hickory Tec, Bury Telephone line – Northwest Corner of Coolidge Avenue and 420th Street in Section 16 of Eagle Township

Motion by Degen and supported by De Haan, to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the aforementioned permit agreements. Motion passed, unanimous in favor.

Julius reported on progress being made on various construction projects in the County.

The Board discussed setting salaries for the County Engineer and staff members. Motion by De Haan and supported by Beernink to increase salaries of Ken Oldenkamp and Ken Lancaster 3.6% plus the July 1 step increase. The assistant to the engineer and all others will receive a 3.6% increase. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Motion by Beernink and supported by Bouma to approve a 3.6% increase plus \$5,000 for the County Engineer. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

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

The Chairman adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, September 16, 2005.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Lois Huitink
Sioux County Deputy Auditor