

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON JULY 11, 2017

- 1) The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Sybesma presiding. Members present were John Degen, Arlyn Kleinwolterink, Dennis Wright, Mark Sybesma, and Al Bloemendaal.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held on June 30, 2017, were submitted, and the Chairman declared them approved.
- 3) The claims were approved as submitted by the County Auditor.
- 4) Tom Kunstle, Sioux County Attorney,
 - Reviewed the collections report for Fiscal Year 2016/2017. Collections have increased over last year. The State previously received 60% of the collections but now receives 72%, which increased the State collection by nearly \$80,000. The County and restitution for victims within the county shares of the collection increased by \$77,000 over last year.
 - Discussed the order from the Iowa Supreme Court on the ban of weapons in courthouses in Iowa. The order does not change anything for the policy Sioux County had in place.
 - Reported an Iowa Supreme Court ruling where County Attorney's can no longer prosecute cases of forgery and identity theft involving undocumented people, in regards to gaining employment with stolen credentials. The Court's ruling said that Federal law preempts State law due to the stringent Federal laws for gaining employment in the United States. Federal prosecutors are now responsible for prosecuting these cases.
- 5) Aaron Haverdink, Sioux County General Services Director, requested the Board Chairman to sign the IDPH Substance Abuse Grant. Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the Board Chairman to sign the contract. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6) Shane Walter, Sioux County Zoning Director,
 - Reported that there were 328 building permits issued in Fiscal Year 2016/2017, 70 of those were livestock confinements. These new structures cost an estimated \$40,000,000.
 - As this was the date and 9:15 a.m., the time set for a Public Hearing to discuss a permit application for a confinement feeding operation by Zomermaand Farms, LLC, in Section 23, Welcome Township. One new 1,050 head deep pit swine finisher confinement building at an existing swine confinement facility. Animal Unit Capacity of the operation after construction: 2,750 animal units. (6,600 head of swine finishers and 1,100 head of nursery swine). The Chairman opened the Public Hearing. No written or oral public comments were received. The Chairman closed the Public Hearing. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Wright to approve the permit application. Roll Call on vote: Degen, Yes; Kleinwolterink, Yes; Wright, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes; Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7) Micah Van Maanen, Sioux County IT Director, introduced Joseph Reid, who will be the new GIS Technician for Sioux County. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Degen to approve the hiring of Joseph Reid. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8) Tim Zeuntenhorst, Van Engelenhoven Agency discussed the IMWCA workers compensation renewal. The premium went down 19.3% from last year, which equates to a \$15,642 savings. The raw premium was \$228,043, but was adjusted down to \$65,482 after all discounts.
- 9) Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer,
 - Requested approval of a permit agreement with MidAmerican Energy to place an overhead line between sections 20 and 21 in Welcome Township. Motion by Degen and supported by Wright to approve the permit. Motion carried unanimously.
 - Distributed the following maps to the Board: 5 year construction map, 2017/2018 construction map, and a slurry leveling project map.
 - Updated the Board on secondary road activities, and the progress of the construction projects that are active.
 - Informed the Board that the route being used for RAGBRAI will have the maintenance completed, and also will be working on the 4-way stop north of Orange City to repair that intersection.

10) Committee Reports:

- **Wright** – 1) Attended a Compass Pointe meeting last Wednesday, as well as a Creative Living meeting. 2) Friday, attended a Family Crisis Center meeting and the plan is to continue to seek funding for a new facility. 1.5 million has been currently raised and hope to get 90% raised before construction begins. 3) Visited areas around Hull with Doug Julius.

11) The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2017.

 Mark Sybesma, Chairman
 Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
 Ryan Dokter
 Sioux County Auditor