

**MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 12, 2020**

- 1) The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 a.m. with Supervisor Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Carl Vande Weerd, Al Bloemendaal, and Mark Sybesma. Supervisors Jerry Muilenburg and John Degen were absent.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held on September 29, 2020 were submitted and were declared approved.
- 3) Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the claims as submitted by the County Auditor for October 12, 2020. Motion carried, two members absent.
- 4) Ryan Dokter, Sioux County Auditor,
  - Requested Board approval of an amended resolution for the Iowa COVID-19 Government Relief Fund. Dokter explained that the project manager for the application informed him that the State of Iowa has recently changed the threshold from 25% of payroll expenses to be reimbursed to 50%. Sioux County can now receive the full allocation of funds with the first application by completing an amended resolution and repealing the second application the county submitted on September 29. Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the resolution as presented. Roll call on vote: Sybesma, Yes; Degen, Absent; Bloemendaal, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Absent. Motion carried, two members absent.

**2020-48**  
**RESOLUTION REQUESTING REIMBURSEMENT**  
**FROM THE IOWA COVID-19 GOVERNMENT RELIEF FUND**

On September 1, 2020 and September 29, 2020, the Sioux County Board of Supervisors passed three resolutions by Sioux County to request reimbursement for eligible costs related to the COVID-19 public health emergency from the Iowa COVID-19 Government Relief Fund. Those resolutions combined requested reimbursement not to exceed \$414,871.73.

**WHEREAS**, Resolutions 2020-42, 2020-44 and 2020-45 are hereby fully incorporated herein.

**WHEREAS**, the maximum percentage for reimbursable budgeted payroll costs for public safety has now since increased from 25% to 50% and those costs can be validated by the State of Iowa.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Sioux County repeals its requests for reimbursement of \$414,871.73 from September 1, 2020 and September 29, 2020, but the remainder of Resolutions 2020-42, 2020-44 and 2020-45 remain in full force and effect.

**WHEREAS**, the United States Congress approved the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to provide economic relief related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**WHEREAS**, Governor Kim Reynolds allocated \$125 million of the State of Iowa's CARES Act funding to local governments for direct expenses incurred in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

**WHEREAS**, local government funding reimbursements may only be used for necessary expenditures incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic, were not accounted for in the current fiscal year county budget, were incurred during the time period of March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020 and have not been

reimbursed from other sources. The total amount allocated from the Coronavirus Relief Fund for Sioux County is \$441,891.94.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Sioux County requests reimbursement not to exceed \$441,891.94 in eligible expenditures in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Sioux County affirms that the above requests for reimbursement follow all formal published Federal and State of Iowa guidance on how the funds should be spent, and understand if the reimbursements are misrepresented, the local government will be liable for any applicable penalty and interest.

**HEREBY RESOLVED** but the Board of Supervisors for Sioux County on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

/s/Mark Sybesma, Sioux County Supervisor

Attested: /s/Ryan Dokter, County Auditor

5) Jessica Kooiker, Sioux County Recorder, submitted the Recorder Quarterly Report for Board information.

6) Suzanne Haverdink, Sioux County Zoning Assistant,

- As this was the date October 12, 2020, and time, 9:15 a.m. for a public hearing, Supervisor Sybesma opened the public hearing. Haverdink presented the following: Construction Permit Application: Name of Applicant: Center Fresh Egg Farm LLP Location of the operation: Section 14, Center Township, Sioux County, Iowa Type of confinement feeding operation structure proposed: Remove 8 existing chicken layer confinement buildings and replace with 3 new cage free chicken layer confinement buildings and construct one new dry manure storage building at an existing poultry confinement facility. Animal Unit Capacity of the confinement operation after construction: 49,600 animal units (4,960,000 chickens averaging 3 pounds or more). In attendance were Bruce Dooyema, and Craig Rowles on behalf of Center Fresh Egg Farm, and Ian Droessler and Josh Werner on behalf of ISG Engineering. These representatives explained the cage free egg system and what the project involves. No other written or oral comments were received. Supervisor Sybesma closed the public hearing. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Vande Weerd to approve the permit application with a favorable opinion to the Iowa DNR. Motion carried, two members absent.
- Requested Board approval of a resolution waiving the 14-day waiting period for construction for Junior Hoogland. Motion Vande Weerd and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the following resolution as presented. Roll call on vote: Degen, Absent; Muilenburg, Absent; Bloemendaal, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried, two members absent.

RESOLUTION 2020-47

WHEREAS, a request has been made to the Sioux County Board of Supervisors by Hoogland Feedlot for approval for a waiver of Sioux County's right to appeal the issuance by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources(DNR), of a final construction permit for the construction of a confined animal feeding operation,

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

WHEREAS, The Sioux County Board of Supervisors has received a notice from the Iowa DNR that Hoogland Feedlot DNR # 56222 has been issued a draft permit, AND

WHEREAS, The Sioux County Board of Supervisors has reviewed the construction permit application and the manure management plan and recommended approval of said application on September 15, 2020, AND

WHEREAS, The Sioux County Board of Supervisors hereby waives its right to appeal the issuance of the final permit within the fourteen (14) day limit from the time of receipt of notice of the issuance of the draft permit, AND

WHEREAS, The Sioux County Board of Supervisors encourages the Iowa DNR to issue the Final Permit immediately upon notification of this waiver, AND

WHEREAS, The Sioux County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Board Chairman to notify the Iowa DNR of this waiver, AND

WHEREAS, This resolution shall take effect immediately,

RESOLVED, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

/s/Mark Sybesma  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

Attest: /s/Ryan Dokter  
Sioux County Auditor

7) Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer,

- Presented a permit agreement for Board consideration from Premier Communications to bury fiber optic cable in sections 22 and 27 of West Branch township to service a home. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Vande Weerd to approve the permit agreement as presented. Motion carried, two members absent.
- Reported that an addendum was added to the Secondary Road MOU to match the vacation allotted to employees, from the County Handbook Policy.
- Updated the Board on secondary road activities, and reported that slurry leveling of K24 will be taking place.
- Joel Sikkema, Assistant to the County Engineer, reported that the City of Hull would like to have a speed limit sign for 35 mph on 310<sup>th</sup> Street. This street has had additional paving done. The Board gave input and the County Engineer's office will report back to the City of Hull to come to an agreement on the speed limit for that street.

8) Committee Reports:

- **Bloemendaal** – 1) Reported on the Mid-Sioux meeting. The agency has applied to manage the head start program for the State of Iowa. 2) Reported on the Airport Board meeting. A bid letting for dirt work on the new hangar was awarded. The cost of the dirt work will be \$151,396.00. Also reported that the new payloader arrived.
- **Vande Weerd** – Reported that Emmet County has requested to join the Sioux Rivers Mental Health Region and this will be discussed at the next Regional Board meeting.

9) The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 a.m. until Tuesday, October 27, 2020.

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Mark Sybesma  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ryan Dokter  
Sioux County Auditor