

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON JULY 14, 2021

- 1) The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Jerry Muilenburg presiding. Members present were Jerry Muilenburg, Al Bloemendaal, Mark Sybesma, John Degen and Carl Vande Weerd.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held on June 29, 2021 were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.
- 3) Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Degen to approve the claims for July 13, 2021 as submitted by the County Auditor. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the following service contracts for FY2022: Center For Financial Education, Foster Grandparent Program, Genesis House, RIDES, and Western Iowa Tourism. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5) Jade Hoisington, Sioux County Assistant County Attorney reported that the Winterfeld trial has been rescheduled to early October.
- 6) As this was the date, July 14, 2021 and time, 9:15 a.m. for a public hearing regarding a master matrix MMP application, the Chairman opened the public hearing. Sioux County Zoning Director, Shane Walter provided the following: Name of Applicant: Meadowvale Dairy c/o Sjerp and Natalie Ysselstein Location of the operation: Section 18, Sioux Township, Sioux County, Iowa Type of confinement feeding operation structure proposed: Four additions onto existing confinement buildings for concrete reception pits, one new 31MG earthen manure storage basin, and anaerobic digester system with sand separator building, digesters and process buildings and convert all open lot dairy cattle to confinement dairy cattle on site at an existing dairy cattle confinement /open lot facility. Animal Unit Capacity of the confinement operation after construction: 20,300 animal units. (14,500 head of mature dairy cattle). No oral or written comments were received from the public. The Chairman closed the public hearing. Motion by Sybesma and supported by Vande Weerd to send a favorable opinion to the Iowa DNR regarding the application. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7) Motion by Sybesma and supported by Degen to approve a liquor license renewal for Sfumato's Pizza located at 4995 Carnes Dr, Alton, IA 51003. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8) Jessica Kooiker, Sioux County Recorder, distributed the Recorder Quarterly report for April 1 through June 30, 2021. The Board received the report for information.
- 9) Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer,
 - Requested Board approval for the following permit agreements from Northwest REC: 1) sections 25, 26, and 34 of Plato Township for buried electric cable, 2) sections 30 and 31 of Welcome Township for buried electric cable. Motion by Sybesma and supported by Vande Weerd to approve both permit agreements. Motion carried unanimously.
 - Requested Board approval for the following permit agreements from Premier Communications: 1) section 35 of Welcome Township and section 2 of West Branch Township for buried fiber optic cable, 2) section 13 of Lincoln Township for buried

fiber optic cable. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Degen to approve both permit agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

- Requested Board approval for the following permit agreement: Bar-K-Cattle for a private water line in sections 18 and 19 of Welcome Township. Motion by Sybesma and supported by Vande Weerd to approve the permit agreement. Motion carried unanimously.
- Requested Board approval of the MOU with secondary road employees for FY2022. Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Degen to approve the MOU. Motion carried unanimously.
- Updated the Board on secondary road activities.
- Updated the Board on the status of construction projects in the county.

10) As this was the date, July 14, 2021, and time, 10:00 a.m. for a culvert letting for project L-2-2019—73-84 for twin 128” x 83” culvert, structural plate pipe arch, County Engineer, Doug Julius opened the two bids.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
H & H Dirt Work	\$127,430.80
LA Carlson Contracting Inc	\$168,117.60

Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Sybesma to approve the bid from H & H Dirt Work in the amount of \$127,430.80 subject to the review of the County Engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

11) Joel Sikkema, Sioux County Assistant Engineer, updated the Board regarding the County Home asbestos abatement. A bid letting for the asbestos abatement is planned for August 10, 2021.

12) Committee Reports:

- **Sybesma & Vande Weerd** – Reported on the recent Sioux Rivers Mental Health meeting. The Region sold the crisis center to the Rolling Hills Mental Health Region for \$350,000. The Region approved an agreement to use this crisis center for \$136,000 as the Region is required to have this service.
- **Degen** – 1) Reported that work will begin soon on replacing the concrete on the west side of the County Treasurer’s office, work was completed on the roof of the County’s Administration Building that houses Public Health and DHS, and will review the condition of sidewalks around the courthouse. 2) Attended the open house of the new Agrivision Building.
- **Vande Weerd** – Attended the Rural Action Committee meeting during the NACo Annual Conference.
- **Bloemendaal** – 1) Reported on the recent Trails meeting. Assistant Engineer Joel Sikkema was present and provided good input regarding some of the challenges of the trail but also the positives of the proposed route. The committee has funding for a preliminary engineering study. 2) Attended a transportation meeting at the NACo Annual conference. Some items discussed were rapid movement of traffic in costal states, electric vehicles/aviation, robotic drones, and reworking aircraft to electric power. 3) Reported on the NACo VA Committee. Reported that the suicide rate among veterans is 1.5 times higher than the general population. A K-9 Connection Program provides service dogs to veterans and provided information regarding the Elizabeth Dole Foundation which aims to

- recognize caregivers of veterans and ways the county can support that effort. 4) Attended sessions regarding the ARP funding and acceptable uses of the funding. 5) Attended a recent Mid-Sioux meeting.
- **Bloemendaal, Muilenburg, Vande Weerd** – Attended the NACo Annual Conference in Maryland and had many good meetings and the information obtained there can be used in Sioux County.

13) Motion by Sybesma and supported by Vande Weerd to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m. until Tuesday, July 27, 2021.

Jerry Muilenburg, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Ryan Dokter
Sioux County Auditor