

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2022

- 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, John Degen, Mark Sybesma, Al Bloemendaal, and Carl Vande Weerd.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held on September 20, 2022 were submitted. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Vande Weerd to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3) As this was the date, September 27, 2022, and time, 9:00 a.m. for a public hearing regarding county budget amendment #1, the Chairman opened the public hearing. Ryan Dokter, Sioux County Auditor, detailed the amendment which includes the following expenses: \$14,000 for salary and benefit expense due to overlap in the Elections Administrator position, \$10,000 for cybersecurity grant, \$300 for accessibility grant, moving \$1,000,000 from service area 6 to service area 0 for the county fair project, \$30,000 for the county paid life insurance benefit, \$10,000 for unemployment compensation, \$1,200 for HHS postage machine, \$53,546 for zoning salary expense to account for change in responsibilities for Shane Walter, \$25,000 for juvenile probation, \$11,701 for general assistance salary expense, and \$1,950,000 for secondary road land purchase for new gravel pit. No written or oral comments were received from the public. The Chairman closed the public hearing. Motion by Sybesma and supported by Degen to approve the amendment and the resolution adopting the amendment. Roll call on vote: Sybesma, Yes; Degen, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2022-51

Approval of FY 2022/2023 Budget Amendment #1

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Supervisors has considered the proposed FY 2022/2023 county budget amendment #1, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing concerning the proposed county budget amendment #1 was held on September 27, 2022,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Sioux County that the county budget amendment #1 for FY 2022/2023, as set forth in the budget summary, is hereby adopted and that the Sioux County Auditor is directed to file said budget and to establish accounting records in accordance with the attached schedules.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson and the County Auditor be and are hereby authorized to sign the approved FY 2022/2023 county budget amendment #1.

Signed and dated this 27th day of September, 2022.

/s/Jerry Muilenburg, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/Ryan Dokter
Sioux County Auditor

- 4) Jamie Van Voorst, Sioux County Sheriff, requested Board approval of the following employees: Ana Bos, Agustin Martinez, Alex Bakker, and Riley Frederes. Van Voorst

introduced Martinez and Bakker to the Board. Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Degen to approve Van Voorst's request. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5) Chairman Muilenburg initiated discussion regarding custodial work for the new public health building. Present for this discussion was Denny Vander Wel, Head Custodian. Currently, there are three full-time custodians and one part-time custodian that manage the downtown buildings and grounds, but by adding the public health building, it will require more hours to be worked from the part-time custodian. Vander Wel stated that the question is if the Board would like to transition the part-time employee to full-time, which would also require benefits to be offered. Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Degen to transition the part-time custodian to full-time once the process to move public health to the new building begins. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6) Chairman Muilenburg began discussion on the request from Mark Zomer to have a 6-month lease on the runway of the former Sioux Center Airport as well as use of the office/shop building. Zomer had been leasing for \$500/month for the runway and \$500/month for the office/shop. Further discussion ensued regarding if the county will send those funds to the Fair Board or hold those funds due to the cost of insuring the property and utilities. Muilenburg instructed the County Auditor to check with the audit firm regarding this issue. Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Sybesma to approve a 6-month lease to Mark Zomer for the use of the runway for \$500/month and office/shop for \$500/month. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7) Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Degen to approve the claims for September 27, 2022 as presented by the County Auditor. Motion carried unanimously.

8) Committee Reports:

- **Degen** – Attended the state park tour on September 26 at Oak Grove. The conservation department was very pleased with the turnout and the program.
- **Vande Weerd** – 1) Attended two Zoom meetings with NACo which included the rural caucus committee and a smart funding program. The rural caucus is drafting a plan for a farm bill and will discuss the smart funding program with the IT department. 2) Updated the Board on the progress of the new public health building. Doors have been ordered but have not arrived, the stucco will be repaired and exterior painting will be done as the weather allows.

9) Joel Sikkema, Sioux County Engineer,

- Distributed the bids for project BRS-SWAP-C084(170)—FF-84. Type of work: 598'-0 x 30'-6 pretensioned prestressed concrete beam bridge. Removal of 574' x 20' continuous steel I-beam bridge with continuous deck, piers and abutments. Located on 360th Street (B30), over Rock River, SW-SE ¼, Section 16 Garfield Township. Date of letting: September 20, 2022.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
Christensen Bros., Inc	\$5,426,828.80
Dixon Construction	\$5,488,841.35
A.M Cohorn & Son, Inc	\$5,589,242.96
Godbersen-Smith Const	\$5,594,354.72
United Contractors, Inc	\$5,744,641.25
Graves Construction Co., Inc	\$7,037,416.45

Sikkema reported that the low bid was 27% higher than the estimate but likely is due to inflation and recommends proceeding with the low bid. Motion by Degen and supported by Sybesma to accept the low bid from Christensen Bros., Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

- Requested Board approval of the following resolution for project BRS-SWAP(170)—FF-84. Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the resolution as presented. Roll call on vote: Sybesma, Yes; Degen, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION
2022-52

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as “the Board”, believes the BRS-SWAP(170)--FF-84, hereafter referred to as “the project” is in the best interest of Sioux County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as a bridge replacement on 360th Street (B30), over Rock River , Garfield Twp, Section 16; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Sioux County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section

331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by Board to accept the bid from Christensen Bros, Inc in the amount of \$5,426,828.80 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor’s bond and certificate of insurance, Joel K. Sikkema, the Sioux County Engineer for Sioux County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Dated at Sioux, Iowa, this 27th day of September, 2022.

Board of Supervisors of Sioux, Iowa

/s/Carl Vande Weerd; /s/Al Bloemendaal; /s/John Degen; /s/Mark Sybesma; /s/Jerry Muilenburg

ATTEST: /s/Ryan Dokter, County Auditor

- Requested Board approval for a utility permit agreement from Premier Communications to place a fiber optic cable in sections 2 and 11 of Garfield Township. Motion by Sybesma and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the permit agreement. Motion carried unanimously.
- Requested Board approval to declare surplus property for the two irrigation systems at the Chatsworth Pit, which are jointly owned with Plymouth County. The property is described as follows: 2 Zimmatic Irrigation Systems, pipe diameter is approximately 7”, O.D.

System 1

6 Sections – (5 @ 140 ft.) (Pipe Sections 3@ 40 ft, 1 @ 20 ft.)

(1 @ 160 ft.) (Pipe Sections 4@40ft.)

System 2 -- (7 @ 160 ft.) (Pipe Sections 4@ 40ft.)

One Section of pipe Damaged

Irrigation Pump with a 60 H.P, 40 Amp., 3540 R.P.M. Motor

Motion by Degen and supported by Sybesma to declare the aforementioned property as surplus. Motion carried unanimously.

- Updated the Board on the following construction project: the B46 PCC overlay is about 95% complete.

10) Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Degen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m. until Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

Jerry Muilenburg, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Ryan Dokter
Sioux County Auditor