

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING HELD ON MARCH 7, 2023

- 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 Muilenburg, Dan Altena, Craig Hoftyzer, John Degen, and Carl Vande Weerd.
- 2) CMBA Architects representative presented the 2 bids received for the Treasurer's office renovation project(via Teams call). WA Klinger was the low bid at \$462,000. Engineers estimate was \$300,000. ARPA funds will be used. Recommendation is to proceed with Klinger. Motion made by Altena and supported by Vande Weerd to accept bid and proceed with project. Approved unanimously.
- 3) Minutes of the meeting(s) held on February 21, 2023, submitted. Motion by Altena and supported by Degen to approve the minutes as submitted. Approved unanimously.
- 4) Motion by Altena and supported by Degen to approve claims for March 7, 2023, as submitted. Approved unanimously.
- 5) As this was the date, March 07, 2023, and time, 9:15 am, the Chairman opened a public hearing regarding the Sioux County FY23 Max Levy for the County Budget. Sioux County Auditor, Joe E Van Tol, reviewed the proposed levy information for the general, supplemental, and rural funds. The increase in the general and supplemental funds is due to increased wages and health insurance, additional deputy resources needed, and a general increase in overall costs. No change to the rural fund total. No written or oral comments were received from the public. The Chairman closed the public hearing.
- 6) Rob Klocke, Sioux County Conservation Director presented a proposal asking Sioux County to assist in the purchase of 54.3 acres of land adjacent to the Oak Grove County park. ARPA funds will be used. Motion made by Degen and supported by Vande Weerd to support with \$200,000. Approved 4 – 1.
- 7) Motion by Hoftyzer and supported by Altena to go into closed session per Code of Iowa 21.5(1)(j) per request of county attorney Thomas Kunstle. Roll call vote: Hoftyzer, Yes; Degen, Yes; Altena, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes.
- 8) Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Altena to exit closed session per Code of Iowa 21.5(1)(j). Roll call vote: Hoftyzer, Yes; Degen, Yes; Altena, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes.
- 9) Motion to increase wage range for assistant county attorney up to \$95,000/annually, based upon applicant's experience for FY2024. Motion made by Altena and supported by Vande Weerd. Approved unanimously.
- 10) Reviewed county attorney collections report for FY2023 for information.
- 11) Dan Zomermaand, Sioux County Treasurer, presents a request to change individual employee compensation. No action taken.

12) Earl Woudstra, City of Orange City, asks questions regarding Sioux County owned property north of city hall. This property is currently a gravel lot used for parking by both city and county employees and at times the public. Icy\slippery conditions have officials considering the possibility of making it a hard surface parking lot. Ideas are discussed. The City of Orange City will come up with a proposal.

13) Joel Sikkema, County Engineer, presents proposals for concrete overlay on 400th street (B40) from near 7th street in Sioux Center east approximately 5.5 miles to Jackson Ave (K64) and on Garfield Ave (K42) from 390th Street (B40) north 3.0 miles to 360th Street (B30). Costs for these types of projects have increased significantly.

Project No. 84-C084-177: PCC Overlay

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Croell, Inc.	\$4,881,494.85
Cedar Valley, Corp	\$5,171,154.64
Hulstein Excavating, Inc.	\$5,190,027.73

Low bid cost = \$4,881,494.85. Resolution 2023-13. Motion by Hoftzyer and supported by Vande Weerd to approve. Roll call on vote: Hoftzyer, Yes; Degen, Yes; Altena, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes.

14) Sikkema presents proposal for purchase of 168.17 acres of property at a price of \$2,270,295.00. Property is acquired for the primary purpose of being a gravel pit. Motion by Hoftzyer and supported by Altena to approve the purchase of the land. Approved unanimously.

15) Sikkema requests final payment be made for concrete overlay on B46. Motion by Degen and supported by Vande Weerd. Approved unanimously.

16) Sikkema requests approval for hiring of Engineering Technician per the approved Engineering pay scale. This is a replacement position. Motion by Altena and supported by Vande Weerd. Approved unanimously.

17) Sikkema requests approval for an agreement with Kirkham-Michael for inspection of the B30 Rock River bridge (if needed). Sioux County is trying to do these inspections internally and if trained personnel are available at the time inspection is needed, agreement will not be used. Motion by Vande Weerd and supported by Hoftzyer. Approved unanimously.

18) Sikkema requests approval for utility agreements with the city of Hull and Mid-American energy. Motion by Hoftzyer and supported by Altena. Approved unanimously.

19) Sikkema presents other items for information.

20) Motion by Altena and supported by Vande Weerd to adjourn temporarily at 11 am.

- 21) Chairmen Muilenburg calls the meeting back to order at 11:10 am.
- 22) Resolution 2023-12, Approval of FY 2023/2024 Maximum Property Tax Dollars. Motion made by Degen and supported by Altena. Roll call vote: Hoftyzer, Yes; Degen, Yes; Altena, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes.
- 23) Resolution 2023-08, Approval of FY 2023/2024 Salaries. Motion made by Altena and supported by Hoftyzer. Roll call vote: Hoftyzer, Yes; Degen, Yes; Altena, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes.
- 24) Resolution 2023-11, Approval of FY 2023/2024 Pay Scale. Motion made by Degen and supported by Vande Weerd. Roll call vote: Hoftyzer, Yes; Degen, Yes; Altena, Yes; Vande Weerd, Yes; Muilenburg, Yes.
- 25) Motion by Hoftyzer and supported by Vande Weerd to approve the liquor license renewal for the Hull Golf Course Association. Motion carried unanimously.
- 26) Committee Reports:
- **Hoftyzer\Vande Weerd** – Sioux Rivers has multiple requests for monies from several agencies.
 - **Hoftyzer** – Attended a Third Judicial meeting – appears the state takeover of many of these procedures is imminent.
 - **Altena** – Attended Mid Sioux meeting – in the learning process.
 - **Degen & Muilenburg** – Held bid letting for Treasurers office remodel with the architect.
- 27) Discussed a possible policy for the annual support of local agencies – no policy will be implemented at this point.
- 28) Motion to increase wage range for Election Administrator up to \$66,000/annually for FY2023 and \$68,000/annually for FY2024. Motion made by Vande Weerd and supported by Altena. Approved on a 4-1 vote.
- 29) Motion by Degen and supported by Hoftyzer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:44 am.

Jerry Muilenburg, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Joe E Van Tol
Sioux County Auditor