

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING HELD ON MAY 16, 2023

- 1) The Board of Supervisors (BOS) of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9 am with Chairman Jerry Muilenburg presiding. The members present were Muilenburg, Dan Altena, Craig Hoftzyer, John Degen, and Carl Vande Weerd.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting(s) held on May 2, 2023, submitted. Motion by Vande Weerd & supported by Degen to approve. Approved unanimously.
- 3) Deb Rensink, Whispers of Love, Hope and Joy presented regarding their mission and request for county support.
- 4) Mike Hofman, Orange City Chamber of Commerce, requested use of the county owned parking lot during Tulip Festival. Motion by Vande Weerd & supported by Hoftzyer to approve. Approved unanimously.
- 5) Claims report(s) submitted. Motion by Degen & supported by Altena to approve. Approved unanimously.
- 6) Motion by Altena & supported by Hoftzyer to approve resolution 2023-22 Secondary Road Transfer #2. Approved unanimously. Complete resolutions available at <https://siouxcountya.gov/>
- 7) Micah Van Maanen, Sioux County IT Director, requests approval for hiring of replacement IT staff member at a wage range of \$55 - \$75,000 annually. Motion by Vande Weerd & supported by Degen to approve. Approved unanimously.
- 8) Committee Reports:
 - **Hoftzyer** – Attended Sheldon Leadership & Boyden Community Club meetings
 - **Degen** – Attended Conservation meeting – toured newly acquired property and house on that property
 - **Muilenburg\Altena** – Attended Airport meeting – additional acreage purchase in process for potential new hangars
 - **Vande Weerd** – Gave update on annex, courthouse and new fairgrounds projects, Attended ISACS executive meeting
 - **Muilenburg** – Attended Zoning\Board of Adjustment meeting – a new recommendation from the Planning and Zoning commission will be forthcoming to the BOS
- 9) City of Alton annexation proposal for land in Sioux County submitted for information.
- 10) Motion by Altena & supported by Degen to approve resolution 2023-21 Weed Control. Approved unanimously. Complete resolutions available at <https://siouxcountya.gov/>
- 11) Joel Sikkema, Sioux County Engineer, requests approval to hire Kirkham & Michael to assess county bridges for all-systems overweight permit. Motion by Vande Weerd & supported by Altena to approve. Approved unanimously.
- 12) Sikkema requests permission to contract with Keith Hagedorn Construction to do gravel crushing at the Vande Stroet pit. Motion by Degen & supported by Altena to approve. Approved unanimously.
- 13) Thomas Kunstle, Sioux County Attorney presents public hearing #1 of Ordinance #31 Regulating Social Hosts. This will be a county law enhancing Iowa law discouraging underage alcohol consumption. Motion by Altena & supported by Hoftzyer to approve. Approved unanimously. The ordinance has been posted in county newspapers and the complete ordinance is available at <https://siouxcountya.gov/>
- 14) Kunstle introduces new Assistant County Attorney Lori Ehlers.
- 15) Sikkema continues and recommends approval of utility permits for: 1. Van Bruggen pit cleaning water line and 2. West Branch RNG manure line crossings. Motion by Hoftzyer & supported by Altena to approve. Approved unanimously.
- 16) Sikkema notes that the City of Sioux Center requests moving grading and paving of Harrison Avenue projects to years 2023 and 2025 versus the 5 year plan dates of years 2026 and 2028. Sikkema notes that this will save the county some money and could bring in additional revenues if these projects are moved ahead. Motion made by Altena & supported by Vande Weerd to

approve this contingent upon City of Sioux Center taking the lead on the project and paying 100% of the professional\engineering fees (with all plans\drawings\engineering etc. being subject to Sioux County review). Roll call on votes. Altena (yes), Vande Weerd (yes), Muilenburg (yes), Degen (No) and Hoftzyer (No). Approved by a 3 – 2 vote.

17) Sikkema notes miscellaneous items such as the hire of new employee Riley Oetken as Technician, Rock River bridge (including signage) update and a press release going out regarding county road B40 project.

18) Motion by Altena and supported by Vande Weerd to adjourn the meeting. Approved unanimously. Adjournment at 10:55 am.

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

Attest: _____
/s/ Joe E Van Tol
Sioux County Auditor