

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

The Board of Supervisors (BOS) of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9 am with Vice Chairman John Degen chairing the meeting. Members present were Degen, Craig Hoftzyer, Dan Altena & Carl Vande Weerd.

Minutes of the meeting of 08-22-23, submitted. Motion by Altena supported by Vande Weerd. Approved unanimously.

Agenda for the meeting of 09-05-23 submitted. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Hoftzyer. Approved unanimously.

Planning & Zoning Director Shane Walter presents Resolution 2023-35 extending the county ordinance moratorium on commercial wind turbines & utility scale solar energy systems. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Hoftzyer. Voice votes: Hoftzyer(yes) Altena(yes) Vande Weerd(yes) Degen(yes).

Walter also presents Resolution 2023-36 changing the zoning of the 4 parcels of property that are now the Sioux County Fairgrounds from Ag District to Commercial District property. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Altena. Voice votes: Hoftzyer(yes) Altena(yes) Vande Weerd(yes) Degen(yes).

City of Orange City (OC) officials are in attendance to discuss the county owned property north of city hall in OC currently used primarily as a parking area. OC will create a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that explores the possibility of the county gifting that property to OC with county retaining some rights to usage.

County Treasurer Dan Zomermaand is on hand & reviews the departments recent move plus some recent retirements. Zomermaand noted that Deputy Treasurer Donna Siebersma is one of the retirees. Siebersma is in attendance & is thanked for her many years of service to the county. Zomermaand also notes that employee Jayne Hofmeyer will be promoted to Deputy.

County Sheriff Jamie Van Voorst is in attendance as is Deputy Jessica Dorhout-Van Engen along with the county’s new therapy dog McGrath (aka Big Mac) for introduction. Van Voorst also discusses some temporary assistance the county is giving the city of Hawarden for law enforcement services.

County Attorney Thomas Kunstle discusses 28E agreement establishment with the Sioux County Youth Fair Association & the potential of establishing a not-for-profit corporation. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Altena to begin the process of creating a 28E agreement with Sioux County remaining as the owner of the property & the Sioux County Youth Fair Association being the user.

Claims submitted for approval. Motion by Altena supported by Vande Weerd. Approved unanimously.

County Supervisor Vande Weerd presents plan to rescind SC-ARPA-20 which previously authorized \$250,000 to digitalize records for the Clerk of Courts. The records will not be digitalized & instead moved to the annex for storage. The process of digitalization has been resisted by the State. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Hoftzyer. Approved unanimously.

County Engineer Joel Sikkema presents Resolution 2023-37 modifying the 5-year plan. Modification combines 2 projects on county road K64 in 2024. Motion by Altena supported by Hoftzyer. Voice votes: Hoftzyer(yes) Altena(yes) Vande Weerd(yes) Degen(yes). Sikkema also presents 6 utility agreements for approval. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Hoftzyer. Approved unanimously.

County Supervisor Hoftzyer notes that NW IA Regional Housing Trust Fund (NWIRHTF) board requires participation from 2 county residents with one being a non-elected resident. Asks for mileage to be paid for in person meetings. Motion by Hoftzyer supported by Vande Weerd. Approved unanimously.

Committee\Supervisor reports:

- **Hoftzyer**–Board of Health, NWIRHTF, & Sheldon Leadership meetings attended plus fairgrounds groundbreaking
- **Degen**–Noted the 3-year mechanical maintenance agreement presented by maintenance
- **Altena**–Mid Sioux meeting attended – noted that a new Director has been appointed
- **Vande Weerd**–appointed Sec\Treas of Iowa State Assoc of County Supervisors (ISACS), plus fairgrounds groundbreaking

Adjournment. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Degen. Approved unanimously. Adjournment at 10:45 am.

/s/ John Degen, Vice Chairman, Sioux County Board of Supervisors Attest: _____
/s/ Joe E Van Tol, Sioux County Auditor
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