

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOVEMBER 2023

The Board of Supervisors (BOS) of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9 AM with Chairman Jerry Muilenburg presiding. Members present were Muilenburg, John Degen, Craig Hoftzyer, Dan Altena & Carl Vande Weerd.

Agenda for the meeting of 11-14-23 submitted. Additions are noted. Motion by Altena supported by Hoftzyer. Unanimous.

Minutes of the meeting of 10-31-23 presented. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Degen. Unanimous.

This was the date, 11-14-23, and time 9 AM for a public hearing regarding Proposed Disposal of Sioux Counties Interest in Certain Real Property (Resolution 2023-39). A public hearing was opened. Sioux County Attorney Thomas Kunstle gives a brief overview and Orange City Administrator Earl Woudstra gives likely uses of the property. No public input received. The public hearing is closed. Motion made by Vande Weerd supported by Degen. Voice votes. Muilenburg (Yes), Hoftzyer (Yes), Degen (Yes), Altena (Yes) and Vande Weerd (Yes).

Sioux County Elections Administrator Ashley Riibe presents the 1st Tier Canvass of the 2023 City/School elections held 11-7-23. A 20% voter turnout was recorded. Notes there were multiple write-ins for races with no candidate. Total costs for the election were Approximately \$46,000. These costs will be allocated to the various entities who held elections.

The Sioux County Board of Supervisors, as a Board of Canvassers, canvassed the results of the City/School Elections that were held on November 7, 2023 with the following declared elected (results for Sioux County as the control county only): Alton City Council – Justin Mulder & Leon Kleinhesselink; Alton Hospital Trustee - Amy Jungers; Boyden Mayor - Laryl Koerselman; Boyden City Council – Robin Jungers, Robert Koerselman & Nathan Alexander; Chatsworth Mayor – Robert Baker; Chatsworth City Council – Kim Baker, Clifford Puhl, Mary Jean Weyen, Irene Puhl & Bekki Baker; Granville Mayor – Karl Kellen (write -in); Granville City Council – Curtis Christoffel, Jim Schlichte & Mark Von Arb; Hawarden Mayor - Larry Gregg (write-in); Hawarden City Council - Kristi Warner & Derek Allen; Hawarden Hospital Trustee – Israel Curiel, Matt Hummel & Emma Bouza; Hoppers City Council – Jill Jager, Kelly Kooistra & Jen Schipper (write-in); Hull Mayor – Arlan Moss; Hull City Council – Scott Westra, Kyle Te Slaa & Faye De Kam; Ireton Mayor – Kent Hoogland; Ireton City Council – Kevin Eisma, Rod Ten Napel & Dawn Mueller; Matlock Mayor – Charles Schwebach; Matlock City Council – Scott Maggert, Lance De Jong & Tony Hughes; Maurice City Council – Cindy Larsen, Roger De Weerd & Sharon Vermeer; Orange City Mayor – Deb De Haan; Orange City Council – Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman & Daryl Beltman; Orange City Hospital Trustee – Tim Zeutenhorst, Wade Hofland & Kathy Alons; Rock Valley Mayor – Kevin Van Otterloo; Rock Valley City Council – Mark Faber & Jeff Koldenhoven; Sioux Center Mayor – Dale Vander Berg; Sioux Center Council – Cory Gotto & Eric Moerman; Boyden-Hull School Director District 2 – Laura Woelber & Jason Moser; Boyden-Hull School Director District 3 – Crystal Rozeboom (write-in); MOC-Floyd Center School Director District 1 – John Fernstrum; MOC-Floyd Valley School Director District 2 – Amy Kleinhesselink; MOC-Floyd Valley School Director District 4 – Shane Jager; Rock Valley School Direct At Large – Stacy Remmerde & Jerry Kelderman; Sioux Center School Director At Large – Tim Gesink & Scott TeStroete; West Sioux School Director District 2 – Sunday Ford; West Sioux School Director District 3 – Larry Gregg; West Sioux School Director District 4 – Marissa Rehder; City of Sioux Center Public Measure - Yes 727, No 159; West Sioux School Public Measure - Yes 923, No 231; Rock Valley School Public Measure - Yes 1219, No 443; Boyden Hull School Public Measure - Yes 281, No 89.

Sioux County Auditor Joe E Van Tol notes upcoming 2024 committee assignments and reports on term expirations. Also present 2 condemnation board resignations and discusses how to handle a Township that has not submitted its Annual Financial Report (AFR).

Sioux County Treasurer Dan Zomermaand presents Resolution 2023-40 Abatement of Taxes. Motion by Altena supported by Vande Weerd. Voice votes. Muilenburg (Yes), Hoftzyer (Yes), Degen (Yes), Altena (Yes) and Vande Weerd (Yes).

Kunstle shares some Sioux County statistics regarding OWI offenses. October of 2023 had 25 new cases. 9 years ago (when Kunstle started as County Attorney) the average was around 9 per month. Currently the average is around 16 per month. Kunstle also updates on the 28E legal entity, 501C3 entity and ongoing progress getting this established for the fairground property. Some parameters for the 28E are established. Further discussion regarding the house on the fairground property is held. Will be an agenda item for the 11-20-23 BOS meeting.

Claims for 11-14-23 presented. Motion by Altena supported by Hoftzyer. Unanimous.

Committee/Supervisor reports:

- **Vande Weerd** – updates on remodel of downtown building, notes Clerk of Courts has boxes ready to move for ongoing ARPA project, YES Center has reported some issues regarding claims payments
- **Hoftyzer** – no report
- **Degen** – notes successful Conservation trick or treat event @ Sandy Hollow, fantastic Wolf Exhibit at Oak Grove Nature Center and discusses quote received for controls to make courthouse HVAC more efficient - informational only at this time
- **Altena** – notes that some individuals have done some fundraising for Sioux County Trails
- **Muilenburg** – attended landfill meeting & notes meeting with insurance agency - expecting 30% premium increase for 2024 property & Casualty insurance

Sioux County Engineer Joel Sikkema requests approval on final plans for K64 & B40 asphalt resurfacing. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Hoftyzer. Unanimous. Asks approval for 2 utility agreements. Motion by Hoftyzer supported by Altena. Unanimous. Discusses RAISE grant proposal for bridge east of Alton, notes discussions regarding personnel policy enhancements and on gravel hauling that will take place in December. General discussion is held regarding disposal of old gravel pits as an inquiry was received.

Van Tol notes that the afternoon of Christmas Eve is a holiday and because Christmas falls on a Monday the holiday will be observed the afternoon of Friday 12-22-23. The courthouse will close at 12 PM that day.

Adjournment. Motion by Vande Weerd supported by Altena. Unanimous. Adjournment at approximately 11:10 AM.

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

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

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