

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 24, 2026

- 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, and Dan Altena. Members not present were Craig Hoftyzer and Carl Vande Weerd.
- 2) All rise with the Pledge of Allegiance recited.
- 3) Agenda for the February 24, 2026, meeting was submitted. Motion to approve by Altena and supported by Degen. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) Shane Walter, Sioux County Zoning/EVH/General Assistance Director,
 - Reviewed the FY2027 Zoning/EVH/Juvenile Probation/General Assistance Budgets with the Board. It was discussed there will be a decrease in the Juvenile Probation Budget as not all funding was utilized in the past couple of fiscal years. No other significant changes were noted.
 - Updated the Board on FEMA Grants and dollars for demo costs.
 - Shared that he hired somebody to fill the administrative assistant position in his office.
- 5) Marty Guthmiller, CEO Orange City Area Health System,
 - Provided County Health Rankings and Return on Investment statistics.
 - Reviewed that all hospitals in Sioux County work well together due to the privatized model of Public Health in the County.
 - Reviewed the FY2025 Fiscal Summary
 - Reviewed the FY2027 Public Health budget and is requesting a 6% increase for County funding that totals \$441,000.
- 6) Nate Huizenga, Sioux County Sheriff,
 - Reviewed the FY2027 Sheriff Budget with the Board.
 - Some changes in the proposed budget were adding a new jailer position and adding fuel/vehicle maintenance expenses that were omitted from last fiscal year budget.
- 7) Joel Sikkema, Sioux County Engineer:
 - Updated the Board on upcoming Bid Lettings for two future projects. They would include a Box Culvert Project on 320th Ave and Concrete Paving Project on Harrison Ave east of Sioux Center. Motion to approve plans and notice to bidders for the Box Culvert Project on 320th Street and the Concrete Paving Project on Harrison Ave made by Altena and supported by Degen. Motion passed unanimously. The Bid Letting will be held on March 17, 2026, at 10:00 am at the Sioux County Courthouse.
 - Reviewed the FY2027 Secondary Roads budget with the Board.
- 8) Motion made by Altena and supported by Degen to break for recess at 10:28 am for the Conference Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
- 9) Motion made by Degen and supported by Altena to reconvene the regular board meeting from recess at 11:04 am. Motion carried unanimously.

- 10) Michelle Monsma, Sioux County HR Director, was present to seek clarification on how much hourly employees will receive per hour as an equivalent to the approved \$2,500 flat amount wage increase for salaried employees (Refer to Motion on Feb 17, 2026, Board minutes, item #11). Motion to approve a \$1.20 per hour increase for hourly, part-time, and seasonal employees as an equivalent to the approved \$2,500 wage increase for salaried employees was made by Altena and supported by Degen. Motion carried unanimously. Monsma also received approval from the Board to keep the pay step structure the same for the Sheriff and Engineer Departments while the flat amount wage increase is implemented in FY27.
- 11) Denny Vander Wel, Sioux County Maintenance Supervisor, discussed the upcoming job opening in the Maintenance Department at the end of April due to a retirement. Vander Wel will start advertising immediately for the Maintenance & Groundskeeper position with hopes to have the position filled by the beginning of April. The Board approved of the proposed timeline.
- 12) Motion made by Altena and supported by Degen to approve a liquor license for the Hull Golf Association. Motion carried unanimously.
- 13) Claims for 02/24/26 are presented. Motion made by Degen and supported by Altena to approve as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.
- 14) Minutes of the meeting held on February 17, 2026, were submitted. Motion to approve the minutes by Altena and supported by Degen. Motion carried unanimously.
- 15) No Committee Reports to update
- 16) Motion by Altena and supported by Degen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m. until Tuesday, March 3, 2026.

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

Attest _____
/s/ Linda Wynia
Sioux County Deputy Auditor

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