

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 26, 2008

08-02-26 1 The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:30 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Dennis Wright, Vernon Beernink, Mark Sybesma, John Degen and Arlyn Kleinwolverink.

08-02-26 2 Minutes of the meeting held on February 19, 2008, were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

08-02-26 3 Committee Reports:

- Sybesma and Wright attended a meeting of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Center – the name of this facility has been changed to Compass Pointe.
- Sybesma reported on an Airport meeting. He noted that the federal government has been cutting back on employees and that has slowed the approval.

08-02-26 4 Discussed the possibility of taking IPERS and FICA from the General Supplemental fund, pending investigation by the County Auditor.

08-02-26 5 Shane Walter, Zoning Administrator, Community Services Director

- Requested a signature on a County Substance Abuse Application. Motion by Wright and Supported by Beernink to approve and authorize the chairman to sign a County Substance Abuse Application. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Presented a request for a Separation of Distance Waiver for Evan Blum (E & W Poultry Farm Inc.). No comments have been received regarding this request. Motion by Beernink and supported by Kleinwolverink to approve the aforementioned separation of distance waiver. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

08-02-26 6 Dan Zommermand, Northland Securities representative presented a proposal for a General Obligation Bond. The offer was faxed to Mark Corey, Sioux County's Bond Council for review. Motion by Wright and supported by Beernink to accept the proposal from Northland Securities to purchase \$5,000,000 in General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2008. Roll Call on Vote: Kleinwolverink, Yes; Degen, Yes; Beernink, Yes; Wright, Yes; and Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

08-02-26 7 Agri-business owners and employers requested time to share concerns about immigration policy and local actions with the Board. Kurt Wierda, spokesperson for the group presented comments on their behalf.

- Realize the immigration problem in the U.S and in Sioux County.
- Urged the Board, County Attorney and County Sheriff exercise patience.

- Coleman McAllister, County Attorney spoke of the harm done to victims in cases of identity theft. He explained that he attempts to treat everyone with respect and dignity. The job of the Attorney and Sheriff is to enforce the law.
- Dan Altena, County Sheriff addressed the charge of racial profiling. He requested that any incidence of racial profiling be addressed to him.
- JT Dean from Center Fresh Egg stated that he supports the enforcement of the laws. Spoke about inappropriate behavior of deputies.
- Mike Kuhm, Resident Federal Agent in charge of illegal immigration and customs enforcement stressed the importance of involving his office in cases of stolen identity and illegal immigration. He warned that ignoring the problem could lead to gang activity.
- Jeff Vander Werff, suggested communication with other counties to research how they are handling the issues concerning immigration.
- Chairman Sybesma noted that he appreciated the open discussion that was held. He stated that all Sioux County officials want to be compassionate and constructive regarding the matter of immigration in the County. Dialog and communication needs to be encouraged between law enforcement and those directly involved.

08-02-26 8 Jeff Peters representing Williams & Company, P.C.

- Presented the 2007 Audit report.
- Noted that the Auditing Standards Board will require more extensive reporting for the 2008 Audit. The Board accepted the audit for information.
- Presented a contract for auditing services for the next three years. Motion by Wright and supported by Degen to approve and authorize the chairman to sign a three year contract with Williams & Company PC for auditing services.

08-02-26 9 Doug Julius, County Engineer

- Presented two Region 3 SAFTEA-LU applications for resurfacing on B30 near Carmel for signature. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Beernink to approve and authorize the chairman to sign two applications for possible resurfacing to be done on B30. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Requested a signature authorizing a transfer from the farm to market fund account for DOT Material Inspections. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Wright to authorize the chairman to sign a form authorizing a transfer of funds from the farm to market account. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Reported that the Snow removal budget for 2007/2008 is nearly depleted.
- Completed a Power Point presentation of the 2008/2009 Secondary Road Budget

08-02-26 10 Beernink left the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

08-02-26 11 Claims as submitted by the County Auditor were approved.

08-02-26 12 The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:40 a.m. until Tuesday, March 4, 2008.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Lois Huitink
Sioux County Auditor