

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING HELD ON MARCH 4, 2003

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 Loren Bouma, Vernon Beernink, Mark Sybesma, Bernard L. Smith and Stanley L. De Haan.

Minutes of February 25, 2003 were read and on motion and vote stand approved as read.

Committee reports were given this date.

Melissa O'Rourke, County Attorney, met with the Board this date to report that she will be attending a meeting in Spencer with other county attorneys to review a proposed 28E agreement with Northwest Iowa Child Support Recovery Unit for collection of delinquent child support payments. She also reported on a recent meth laboratory training session.

Melissa O'Rourke, County Attorney, briefly reported on some previous expenditures that were made from the county attorney's drug forfeiture fund. She also reported that the Quilt Guild has donated quilts to some victims of crime.

As this was the date and 10:00 o'clock a.m. the time set for consideration and review of an earthen manure storage basin construction permit application to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and received by the Sioux County Auditor from AT SMA Dairy Farms of Granville located in Section 24 of East Orange Township, said consideration and review was held according to law.

Mark Dunlop, County Emergency Management Services Director and Zoning Administrator, met with the Board this date and reviewed the contents of an earthen manure storage basin construction permit application submitted by AT SMA Dairy Farms of Granville.

No written comments were received and no one appeared in person to object to said construction permit application.

The Chairman closed the comment period.

Motion by Bouma and supported by De Haan to not forward any comments to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources pertaining to the dairy operation expansion construction permit application submitted by AT SMA Dairy Farms of Granville. Carried, unanimous in favor.

Doug Julius, County Engineer, met with the Board this date to request approval and a Chairman's signature on various documents.

Motion by Smith and supported by Beernink to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the following documents:

Permit Agreement with Southern Sioux County Rural Water System of Ireton for road right-of-way crossings in Sections 20 and 21 of Eagle Township.

Permit Agreement with Southern Sioux County Rural Water System of Ireton for road right-of-way crossings in Sections 16 and 17 of Eagle Township.

Agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation for the use of Sioux County roads as detours.

Carried, unanimous in favor.

Cheryl Heronemus, County Extension Director, met with the Board this date to submit and review an annual report to the citizens of Sioux County. She also stated that Sioux County will be celebrating the one hundred year anniversary of the establishment of county extension services on April 7, 2003 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Hull Community Center.

Cheryl Heronemus, County Extension Director, also reported that Ron Johannsen is the new Extension Livestock Environmental Advisor and that he is available to assist producers in Cherokee, Plymouth and Sioux Counties with answering questions regarding environmental laws and how they apply to a particular operation. His role is education and information and not enforcement.

Cheryl Heronemus, County Extension Director, also reported on Community Voices which is a survival skill program for Spanish-speaking residents in Northwest Iowa.

Motion by Bouma and supported by Beernink to approve the following County Extension Support Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-03

WHEREAS, in Sioux County, cooperative agricultural extension work as now conducted throughout the United States was first established; and

WHEREAS, this plan was conceived by Perry G. Holden of Iowa State College, the Sioux County Farmers' Institute and the Sioux County Board of Supervisors on February 18, 1903; and

WHEREAS, the first work undertaken was the farmers' seed corn which was the first mass effort to improve corn that started as a movement that spread over Iowa and the corn belt; and

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Supervisors wishes to recognize the historical significance of this one hundred year anniversary of the establishment of County Extension Services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sioux County Board of Supervisors supports participation in this historical event by celebrating with the Sioux County Extension Service, Iowa State University and other interested entities and individuals this milestone on April 7, 2003 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Hull Community Center;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purpose of this celebration is to acknowledge the profound effect that the Extension Service has had on the progress made in agriculture and improving the quality of life in rural Iowa over the past one hundred years.

APPROVED AND SIGNED this 4th day of March, 2003.

/s/ Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/ Dennis Lange
Sioux County Auditor

Roll Call on Vote: Bouma, Yes; Beernink, Yes; Sybesma, Yes; Smith, Yes; and De Haan, Yes.

Carried, unanimous in favor.

Chet Culver, Iowa Secretary of State; and Tom Tulley, Executive Officer in the Iowa Secretary of State's Office, met with the Board this date to review contents of the Help America

Vote Act as it pertains to mandatory replacement of lever voting machines in the United States. They also reviewed the potential funding available to the State of Iowa and Iowa counties to assist with the purchase of touch screen voting devices or Optech precinct counter machines and the update of the state computer system. Funds available would depend on amount of appropriations made by Congress and the Iowa legislature.

The following persons were present for the aforementioned presentation:

Lisa Rowenhorst, Elections/Accounting Clerk
Coleman McAllister, Assistant County Attorney
Melissa O'Rourke, County Attorney

The Board approved payment of claims as presented by the County Auditor from all departments this date.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, March 11, 2003.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Dennis Lange
Sioux County Auditor