

## MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### MEETING HELD ON JUNE 30, 2015

**15-06-30 1** The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met on June 30, 2015, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Al Bloemendaal, John Degen, Arlyn Kleinwolterink, Mark Sybesma and Dennis Wright.

**15-06-30 2** Minutes of the meeting held on June 16, 2015 were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

**15-06-30 3** Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to approve a liquor license permit renewal for Sfumato Pizza. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

**15-06-30 4** Aaron Haverdink, Sioux County General Services Director

- Presented a Contract, for Substance Abuse prevention, for Board approval. (IDPH will reimburse 25% of the cost of this program.)

Mary Sloan and Cheryl Buntsma, representing Compass Pointe gave the board information showing the work that is being done to educate the public on prevention of underage drinking, adult and underage binge drinking, and marijuana use. Another grant is used for prevention of gambling abuse. Information about a media campaign was distributed. Buntsma told the Board about Girls Circle, a national organization that is evidence based. She worked with twenty-two 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls in Hawarden. SAM (Smart Approaches to Marijuana) is another program that Compass Pointe is working with. Sloan stated that their approach answers this question "is it best for the majority of the people for the long haul". Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve a contract for \$28,000 with Compass Pointe for Substance Abuse Prevention for Fiscal Year 2015. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

- Motion by Wright and supported by to Bloemendaal appoint Connie Barret to the position of Mental Health Advocate for Sioux County. Barrett works with court ordered clients. Motion carried, unanimous in favor. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported Wright to sign a contract with the Sioux Rivers Region to oversee her work. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to sign a contract with Sioux Rivers Region to allow reimbursement to Sioux County for 5% of the time Kathi Wetter works on Region business. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

**15-06-30 5** Marty Guthmiller, Deb Vande Plas, and Jackie Covey from Community Health Partners met with the Board. Guthmiller asked the Board to renew contracts for the lease of the Public Health Building and also for the contract giving Community Health Partners authority to provide public health services for Sioux County. A three year contract will be written with an increase of 4% (\$227,474) in county share for 2016. Rent for the building will remain unchanged.

**15-06-30 6** Ross Simmelink, Sioux County Assessor asked the Board if they would consider enacting a County Ordinance in regard to the assessment of Wind Energy. The Ordinance will enable the county to tax windmills should they be built in Sioux County. Shane Walter, Zoning Administrator stated that requirements in Sioux County are likely slowing construction of

windmills in the County. An Ordinance is needed to implement this policy. Walter will add this item to other zoning ordinances he is working on.

**15-06-30 7** Shane Walter, Sioux County Zoning Administrator - requests for DNR Construction Permit Applications.

As this was the date and time for two Public Hearings the Chairman opened the first hearing:

Josh Hulstein -- Sheridan Township Section 20 - A 150 head addition to an existing mature dairy cattle freestall confinement building, one new 3.6 MG earthen manure storage basin and concrete sand settling lane at an existing dairy confinement facility. The Matrix score is 455. No public input either written or oral was received. The Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

The Chairman opened the second hearing:

Jim Van Voorst -- Eagle Township Section 1 - One new 500 head mature dairy cattle freestall confinement building and one new concrete sand settling lane at an existing dairy confinement/open lot. The Matrix score is 455. No public input either written or oral was received. The Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Degen to send a letter of support to the DNR for both construction applications. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

**15-06-30 8** Mark Gaul, City of Orange City Community Development Director gave an update on the Home Base Iowa Initiative. Sioux County is getting close to being designated a Home Base Iowa county. The program is designed to attract Veterans to the state of Iowa. There are four steps necessary for Sioux County to qualify. The first is approval by the Board of Supervisors, which has been done. The second requirement is to get 10% of Sioux County to become Home Base Iowa businesses. Jobs must be posted on the Home Base Iowa website. Step three is to create a local welcome package. Gaul met with chamber of commerce representatives to create welcome package. This should be completed by the end of the week. The fourth step is to put Home Base Iowa signs up. Only one sign is required, but more signs are encouraged. Eight signs are needed for placement on Highways 10, 18, 60 and 75. Each 24 x 30 sign will cost \$40. Auditor Huitink will work with Governor Branstad's office to schedule a date for the Governor to come to Sioux County to present the Home Base Iowa designation. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Wright to approve ordering and placing eight signs in Sioux County stating that Sioux County is a Home Base Iowa County. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

**15-06-30 9** Committee Reports:

- **Bloemendaal** – a) Attended a Northwest Iowa Planning meeting. A survey done by the DOT is ongoing for the Highway 75 project. Highway 20 will be completed in 2018. b) Reported that at a Rides Meeting the budget for next year was approved. Income for next year is anticipated to be up by 1.2 million dollars. c) Attended a Home Base Iowa Initiative meeting.
- **Kleinwolterink** – Attended four meetings: Safety Committee, Home Base Iowa Initiative, Planning and Zoning and Board of Adjustment.
- **Sybesma** – a) Mentioned that a Thank You note was received from the Bridge. b) Attended a Regional Airport Board Meeting. They met with representatives of the firm

that is going to move dirt for the Airport. Discussion on the Terminal was held. More money will likely be needed from local matching funds. This Board may need to approve a zoning permit to take water from the Floyd River for dust control. In addition the County Engineer will present a resolution to vacate a portion of the road.  
2) Attended a Housing Trust Meeting.

- **Wright** – a) Reported on a Sioux Rivers Regional Mental Health meeting. A building to be used as a Crisis Center was purchased at a cost of \$275,000. The decision to purchase this building was unanimous. Budget for this operation is about 1 million dollars (this includes Federal funding.) b) Attended an open house for Harlan Hanson, retiring supervisor from Humbolt County.

**15-06-30 10** Micah Van Maanen, Sioux County IT Director

- Gave an update on the Version 10 conversion to the Real Estate software. Two weeks of training are complete. “Go live” will take place next week.
- Next fiscal year approximately 25 desktops will be replaced.
- The Sheriff’s office is updating their camera system. The current cameras are closed circuit but will convert to IP cameras.
- Police departments Orange City, Hawarden and Rock Valley are now able to connect to a remote server so that they can share information with the Sheriff’s department and other cities within the County.
- In March and April Van Maanen participated in a technical analysis for ISAC. Recommendations were made to update their computer network and the ISAC Board approved hiring a network administrator.

**15-06-30 11** Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer, address the Board by phone.

- Asked the Board to approve a permit request from the Iowa Department of Transportation to relocate a traffic counter by Hull. The traffic counter will be located .2 miles south of 330<sup>th</sup> Street on Hickory Avenue. Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve placement of a traffic counter south of Hull. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- A request has been received to vacate a portion of the road by Regional airport. A resolution will be presented at the next meeting.

**15-06-30 12** Claims submitted by the Sioux County Auditor were approved for payment.

**15-06-30 13** The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2015.

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Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lois Huitink  
Sioux County Auditor