

**MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 17, 2009**

**09-08-17 1** The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Dennis Wright, Al Bloemendaal, Mark Sybesma, John Degen and Arlyn Kleinwolterink.

**09-08-17 2** Minutes of the meeting held on August 4, 2009, were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

**09-08-17 3** Don Nelson, CEO of Cornerstone BRAD reported that there has been a significant change in management since the projects' inception. In 2006, three founders brought a proposal to various investors to begin the project. In November of 2008 a break was made with the original founders, and new management was named. Since that time contracts have been entered into with an engineering company in Canada (Storm-Fisher), a construction firm, (Kregen-Fischer) and a digester engineering firm (Bio-Thane). A request for County participation in a grant request will be made at a future meeting.

**09-08-17 4** Shane Walter, Veteran's Affairs Administrator and Deb Fischer, Clerk of District Court presented a plan for use of the space that will be vacated when Judge Scott relocates to the second floor of the Courthouse. Walter expressed concern about confidentiality issues in the office currently used for conferences by those applying for VA and DHS benefits. A request was made that the IT department be moved to the office on the third floor, the Clerk of District Court would then move supplies housed in that area to the basement room of the IT department. This would then allow room for Walter to have a private area for conferences in the first floor office which the IT department currently uses. Lois Huitink, County Auditor was asked to research the requirements for security of election equipment prior to relocation, since election equipment is also housed in that area.

**09-08-17 5** Nate Huizenga, Emergency Management Director

- Informed the Board that he has been checking into converting the generator that had been used at the Hope Haven Residential Training Center for use as a mobile generator. Motion by Degen and supported by Wright to approve transfer of ownership of that generator to the Communications Commission. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Designating a flood plain was discussed. Compliance may be mandated by 2011. Research is being done on the pros and cons of designating flood plain areas in Sioux County.

**09-08-17 6** Shane Walter, Community Services Director distributed a monthly report. Walter shared with the Board concerns about charges and funding for Fiscal Year 2009-2010. These concerns stem from changes in Federal and State interpretation of rules.

**09-08-17 7** Discuss Census Participation - Complete Count Committee – A meeting has been set up for August 18, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. Representatives of County public schools and cities have been invited to this session. Information will be provided to them regarding funding to promote the 2010 Census.

**09-08-17 8** Doug Julius County Engineer – General Matters

- Submitted permit agreements for approval:
  - Quest – Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Degen to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Quest to relocate fiber telephone cable to accommodate project L-3-2006—73-84 in Section 3 of Holland Township. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
  - Mid American Energy - Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Mid American Energy to run an overhead line crossing Hickory Avenue between Sections 34 and 35 of Lincoln Township. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
  - Southern Sioux Rural Water – Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Southern Sioux Rural Water to install a 1 ½ inch PVC water line ¼ mile east of Harrison Avenue on 490<sup>th</sup> Street between Sections 22 and 27 of Sherman Township. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
  - Allen DeJager – Motion by Degen and supported by Wright to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Allen DeJager to install an encasement for a manure tube under 460th Street in Section 12 of Reading Township. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Requested signatures on a contract for grading for Project No. L-4-2007—73-84-GR. Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to authorize the Chairman to sign the aforementioned contract. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Requested signatures on a work completion certificate for Project No. L-4-2009—73-84-CULV. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Degen to authorize the Chairman to sign the aforementioned contract. Motion carried, unanimous in favor
- Reviewed ongoing construction projects.
- Reported that two groups are interested in the former RTC building. Both groups will be looking into the cost of repairs and the availability of grants.
- The Board acknowledged receipt of the IDOT Quarterly Report.

**09-08-17 9** Committee Reports:

- Wright & Bloemendaal –Met with Legislators on the Immigration Focus Group and reported that there was a positive response from the Legislators.
- Kleinwolterink and Bloemendaal will tour the prison in Fort Dodge on Friday.
- Degen - Building committee report: Painting and re-carpeting will be done for Judge Scotts' new office.

**09-08-17 10** Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to provide funding for Northwest Iowa Regional Economic Development, with the understanding that an account will be given by that agency before further funding is provided. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

**09-08-17 11** Claims as submitted by the County Auditor were approved.

**09-08-17 12** The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m. until Tuesday, September 1, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.

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Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

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