

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 1, 2009

09-12-01 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 John Degen, Dennis Wright, Al Bloemendaal, Mark Sybesma and Arlyn Kleinwolterink.

09-12-01 2 Minutes of the meeting held on November 24, 2009, were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

- Coleman McAllister, Sioux County Attorney reported that a ruling will be made tomorrow on the Sioux Pharm case. If the county is successful, a penalty phase will begin.

09-12-01 3 Committee Reports:

- **Wright** – Went to a meeting in Primghar regarding rates paid to Mental Health providers. The Consortium decided to hold off on setting rates until spring.

09-12-01 4 Shane Walter, Community Services Director,

- Discussed the probable impact of State budget cuts on the Mental Health Department.
- Discussed wind generators. Several applications have been received from private individuals.

09-12-01 5 Micah Van Maanen, Sioux County IT Director,

- Distributed proposals regarding the County's telephone/internet service provider. Recommended that the County accept the bundled package offered by Premier Communications for a three year contract costing \$1,567 each month for telephone service, 2 Mbps Internet and 100 Mbps transport for network redundancy. Questions were raised on the importance of having a backup link for redundancy. Motion by Wright and supported by Degen to sign a 3 year agreement with Premier Communications for phone and internet services only. Motion carried unanimous in favor.
- Asked the supervisors to start thinking about storage area networks.

09-12-01 6 Lois Koelder, Northwest Iowa Regional Housing Authority presented that agency's annual report. Northwest Iowa Regional Housing Authority provides a rent subsidy program through funding from HUD. An office building in Spencer has been purchased by the Authority.

09-12-01 7 Randy Jacobsma, Sioux County Treasurer, met with the Board to discuss funding for a proposed Regional Airport. Chairman Sybesma began the discussion by stating that in order to facilitate the acquisition of land and other start-up expenses for the Regional Airport, approximately 2.5 million dollars would need to be available to the Airport Board over the next several years. As land is purchased application will be made to Federal Aviation Administration for reimbursement of between 90% and 95%. Since cash balances in several funds have increased in the past few years, it would be possible for the County to provide a loan to the Airport Board to serve as a pass through for funding. Jacobsma recommended

setting up a separate fund to track this funding. A possible source of revenue would be a loan from the Economic Development Fund which was started with dollars from the General Basic Fund. Other funding streams could include short term loans from the General Basic and Rural Basic Fund. Interest rates on this account due from the Cities of Sioux Center and Orange City would likely be set from current 10 year municipal bond rates.

09-12-01 8 Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer

- Requested Board approval and the Chairman's signature on the following permit agreement:

Joel Vander Waal – run waterline beneath Hickory Avenue between Section 14 & 15 in West Branch Township.

Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Bloemendaal to approve a permit agreement submitted by Joel Vander Waal. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

- Requested Board approval and the Chairman's signature on the following permit agreement:

Floyd Jansen - run electrical line crossing 290th Street to the south from sections 8 to 17 in Lincoln Township.

Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the permit agreement submitted by Floyd Jansen. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

- Distributed the Fiscal Year report for Secondary Road for FY 2008/2009.
- Blading and graveling is concluding. Winter snow equipment is being readied.

09-12-01 9 Lois Huitink, Sioux County Auditor, submitted a list of agricultural property owners in the proposed Amendment # 2 area to County Urban Renewal area #1. Owners have been contacted prior to the public hearing on the amendment which will be held on December 8, 2009.

09-12-01 10 The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m. until Tuesday, December 8, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____

Lois Huitink
Sioux County Auditor