

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 5, 2000

The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:30 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Loren Bouma presiding. Members present were William Vander Maten, Vernon Beernink, Loren Bouma, Bernard L. Smith and Stanley L. De Haan.

Minutes of November 28, 2000 were read and on motion and vote stand approved as read.

Ken Argo, representative for Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative; and Kenneth Streck, representative for North West REC, met with the Board this date to request permission to locate natural gas pipelines in county road right-of-way in order to bring that service to the new Siouxland Energy Ethanol Plant located west of the City of Sioux Center. They stated that in order to bring natural gas to the new Siouxland Energy Ethanol Plant by June 30, 2001, that locating the natural gas pipelines in county road right-of-way would be the quickest delivery method.

Doug Julius, County Engineer, was present for the aforementioned presentation and county road right-of-way crossing request.

The consensus of the Board was to further instruct North West Iowa Power Cooperative to investigate the use and acquisition of private right-of-way easements to deliver natural gas to the new ethanol plant located west of the City of Sioux Center. If there are areas that Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative could not obtain private right-of-way easements, the Board of Supervisors may consider granting Permit Applications for county road right-of-way crossings. The Board of Supervisors will also investigate which other companies are interested in providing natural gas to the Siouxland Energy Ethanol Plant and what their plans are for delivering the product.

Doug Julius, County Engineer, requested approval and a Chairman's Signature on two documents.

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

County Title Sheets for Project Numbers STP-S-CO84(90)--5E-84=DIV I, FM-CO84(91)--55-84=DIV II, FM-CO84(92)--55-84=DIV III, L-42000--73-84 PAVE=DIV IV and L-899--73-84 PAVE =DIV V.

Weed Commission's Report for calendar year 2000.

Carried, unanimous in favor.

Motion by Beernink and supported by De Haan to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of support on behalf of the Board of Supervisors to support the Sioux Center All Seasons Recreational and Community Center Project and encourage the submission of an application to the State under the Vision Iowa/Community Attractions and Tourism fund. Carried, unanimous in favor.

Motion by De Haan and supported by Smith to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a Public Officials Liability Policy Application for Highlands Insurance Group of West Des Moines to obtain a quote for Employment Liability and Public Officials Errors and Omissions Supplement - Employment Related Practices insurance coverage for calendar year 2001. Carried, unanimous in favor.

Motion by Beernink and supported by De Haan to approve the Mutual Release of All Claims concerning the employment of Melissa O'Rourke, that the Board approve the payment of a \$5,875.00 expense including a deductible and co-payment concerning this claim, and that the Board Chairman be authorized and directed to sign the Mutual Release of All Claims on behalf of the County and on behalf of the County Board of Supervisors. Roll Call on Vote: Vander Maten, Yes; Beernink, Yes; Bouma, Yes; Smith, Yes; and De Haan, Yes. Carried, unanimous in favor.

Melissa O'Rourke was present for the aforementioned Mutual Release of All
Claims discussion.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, December 12, 2000.

Loren Bouma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Dennis Lange
Sioux County Auditor