

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 17, 2013

13-12-17 1 The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met on December 17, 2013, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Al Bloemendaal, John Degen, Arlyn Kleinwolverink, Mark Sybesma and Dennis Wright.

13-12-17 2 Minutes of the meetings held on December 10, 2013, were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

13-12-17 3 Micah Van Maanen, Sioux County IT director

- Described the benefits of a press feed, a physical plug into the courtroom audio system. This would be used for press releases and public hearings held in the courtroom. The Board deferred a decision to a later time.
- Informed the Board that the cost of a TV, cart and sound bar for the Board of Supervisors room would be approximately \$1,700. Motion by Kleinwolverink and supported by Degen to approve the purchase of visual equipment for the board room. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

13-12-17 4 Doug Julius presented the annual weed commissioner's report for Board approval. Motion by Bloemendaal and supported by Wright to approve the annual weed commissioner's report. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

13-12-17 5 Motion by Kleinwolverink and supported by Degen to amend the agenda to include a request from the City of Orange City. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

13-12-17 6 Duane Feekes, Administrator for the City of Orange City, requested support for a Vision Iowa application for State funding of the Dunlop Wildlife Recreational Area renovation project. Playground structures would be added in addition to trails, fishing spots, and a bridge. Plantings will be made to camp sites, and additional restrooms will be built. In the future, the area may connect with the trail from the north. Will present the plan to Vision Iowa Cost to help with the cost which is estimated to be in the range of 400-450 thousand dollars. Vision Iowa requires financial support from the county to qualify for a grant. Feekes requested a letter of support This request will be put on the agenda on January 2, 2014 for final consideration.

13-12-17 7 COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Wright** – a) Attended a Northwest Iowa Planning and Development Board meeting. A Foreign Free Trade Zone has been set up for this area to promote exports and imports. This is the 288th Free Trade Zone in the country. b) Went to a YES Board meeting. Issues with disgruntled employees were shown to be unfounded and may lead to an appeal. The financial status of the YES Center is ok at this time, c.) Attended a meeting with the Sioux Rivers Regional Mental Health Board yesterday. Cherokee County may want to pull out of the region. A decision will be made today by the Cherokee Board of Supervisors.
- **Kleinwolverink** – Reported that at a Northwest Iowa Landfill meeting the tipping charge was raised \$5.00 per ton.

- **Bloemendaal** – Reported that Don Brommer wants to resign from the Conservation Board.

- **Sybesma** – a) Attended a Third Judicial meeting at which improper sexual contact between staff and inmates was discussed. The new facility opened on November 22. Thirteen people were hired to staff the new facility. 129 people are now on staff in the district. The new director is Kelsie Callins. b) Reported that he attended an ISAC Board of Directors meeting. Discussion was held in regard to HIPAA and Health Care. ISAC has updated its personnel manual.

13-12-17 8 Claims submitted by the Auditor were approved for payment.

13-12-17 9 The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m. The next meeting will be held on January 2, 2014, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Lois Huitink
Sioux County Auditor