

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 23, 2008

08-12-23 1 The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:30 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Dennis Wright, Vernon Beernink, Mark Sybesma, Arlyn Kleinwolterink and John Degen.

08-12-23 2 Minutes of the meeting held on December 9, 2008, were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

08-12-23 3 Coleman McAllister, County Attorney requested that the Board sign documents to acknowledge the receipt of real estate property as a charitable donation. Motion by Wright and supported by Beernink to authorize the Chairman to sign the aforementioned documents. Motion carried unanimous in favor.

08-12-23 4 Randy Jacobsma, County Treasurer introduced a new employee in his office, Angela Solsma. Motion by Wright and supported by Degen to approve the appointment of Angela Solsma to the position of clerk in the Treasurer's office. Motion carried, unanimous in favor. Jacobsma updated the Board on activity of the Revolving Loan Fund. Jacobsma also informed the Board on the status of County investments.

08-12-23 5 Shari Kastein, Executive Director of the Family Crisis Center of NW Iowa distributed a fact sheet of accomplishments of the Family Crisis Center for Fiscal Year 2007/2008. Kastein requested that the Board assist with operating costs in the amount of \$10,000 for Fiscal Year 2009/2010.

08-12-23 6 Rob Klocke, County Conservation Director distributed information which listed funding sources from various grants and donations for the Fairview Wildlife Complex. This project will require a budget amendment for the County Conservation department. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Degen to set a public hearing on January 20 to amend the conservation budget in the amount of \$734,000. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

08-12-23 7 Shane Walter, Community Services Director reported that he and Supervisor Wright negotiated rates with Hope Haven for next year. Walter stated that Hope Haven provides excellent service at favorable rates. Sybesma expressed appreciation to Wright and Walter for their efforts on behalf of the County taxpayers.

08-12-23 8 Jake Anderson, Emergency Management Coordinator met with the Board to discuss participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. Anderson was instructed to research the benefits and/or negative aspects of participation in that program. A list of projects anticipated for implementation in 2009 was presented.

08-12-23 9 Committee Reports

- Wright reported that he attended a YESS Board meeting yesterday.
- Wright attended an immigration focus group meeting and reported that the focus group is still functioning. The sheriff's department's power point is being presented and is well received.

- Beernink – Reported on meetings held with Northwest Planning and Development and Northwest Iowa Regional Transit Authority. The RTA will likely request more money for this coming year.
- Beernink – Reported that the contract with Community Health Partners will need to be renewed for 2009/2010.
- Degen – Reported that the Communications Board reviewed the formula for calculating funding for the Communications Department. The old formula was replaced. The County will now be responsible for 70% of the Communications Budget. Also discussed at that meeting was the need to go to high band frequency by 2012/2013.

08-12-23 10 Doug Julius, County Engineer

- Requested signatures on Iowa Department of Transportation bridge project: BROS—CO84(125)—5F-84 and Asphalt Letting Projects: STP-S-CO-84(130)—5E-84; FM-CO84(128)—55-84; FM-CO84(129)—55-84; and L-2-07PAV—73-84.
- Distributed a Sioux Center Land Evaluation study to the Board for their information in purchasing of Right of Way. A factor was established and the County Engineer will send letters to the land owners involved in this project.
- Reported that a lease needs to be prepared for the land near Chatsworth. Motion by Degen and supported by Wright to approve a lease agreement of approximately \$160.00 per acre for the gravel pit near Chatsworth. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Requested that the Board approve the purchase of two pieces of equipment. The first piece of equipment described was a Caterpillar 140M motor grader (Rock Valley Shop). Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported Degen to purchase a Caterpillar 140M motor grader for a net cost of \$187,076. Motion carried, unanimous in favor. The second piece of equipment described was a Caterpillar 953D track loader (Boyden Shop). Motion by Wright and supported by Beernink to purchase a Caterpillar 953D track loader at a net cost of \$168,563. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Distributed financial information for the Board's review.
- Reported that a letting will be held the 4th week in January for the Hudson Bridge.

08-12-23 11 Bids were received for handicapped accessible doors for the DHS building and also the woman's bathroom in the Courthouse. Two bids were received: Spark's Door Hardware-Locksmith from Boyden for the \$14,126.00 and Vogel Plate and Glass from Sheldon for \$7,488.00. Motion by Kleinwolterink, and supported by Degen to accept the low bid from Vogel Plate and Glass for \$7,488.00. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

08-12-23 12 Claims as submitted by the County Auditor were approved.

08-12-23 13 The Chairman expressed appreciation to Vernon Beernink for 16 years of service to the Citizens of Sioux County as District 3 County Supervisor.

08-12-23 14 The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:00 until Friday, January 2, 2009.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman

Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____

Lois Huitink
Sioux County Auditor