

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 24, 2017

- 1) The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Sybesma presiding. Members present were John Degen, Arlyn Kleinwolterink, Dennis Wright, Mark Sybesma, and Al Bloemendaal.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting held on January 17, 2017, were submitted, and the Chairman declared them approved.
- 3) Hugh Lively, Executive Director, RIDES made a request for funding in FY2018 for \$8,000. Lively distributed statistics in regards to the citizens served by the agency as well as their financial position. Lively thanked the Board for supporting the RIDES agency.
- 4) The Board discussed health insurance premiums and requested that the Auditor contact the department heads to have them lower the budgeted amount for health insurance.
- 5) Shane Walter, CEO, Sioux Rivers Mental Health Region presented a resolution for the Board's consideration. Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the following Stepping Up Initiative Resolution. Roll call on vote, Wright, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes, Degen, Yes; and Kleinwolterink, Yes, Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

STEPPING UP INITIATIVE
RESOLUTION 2017-04

WHEREAS, Counties routinely provide treatment services to the estimated 2 million people with Mental Illnesses booked into jail each year; and

WHEREAS, prevalence rates of serious mental illnesses in jails are three to six times higher than for the general population; and

WHEREAS, almost three-quarters of adults with serious mental illnesses in jail have co-occurring substance use disorders; and

WHEREAS, adults with mental illnesses tend to stay longer in jail and upon release are at a higher risk of recidivism than people without these disorders; and

WHEREAS, County jails spend two to three times more on adults with mental illnesses that require interventions compared to those without these disorders; and

WHEREAS, without the appropriate treatment and services, people with mental illnesses continue to cycle through the criminal justice system, often resulting in tragic outcomes for those individual and their families; and

WHEREAS, Sioux County takes pride in its responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in an efficient and cost-effective manner; and

WHEREAS, Sioux County/Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS has developed the Stabilization and Assessment Center, which helps people stay out of jail by offering crisis services; and

WHEREAS, through *Stepping Up*, the National Association of Counties, the Council of State Governments Justice Center and the American Psychiatric Association Foundation are encouraging public, private and non-profit partners to reduce the number of people with mental illness in jails in jails;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, THAT SIOUX COUNTY, does hereby sign onto the Call to Action to reduce the numbers of people with mental illnesses in our county/regional jails, commit to sharing lessons learned with other counties/regions in Iowa and across the country to support a national initiative and encourage all regional officials, employees and residents to participate in *Stepping Up*. We resolve to utilize the comprehensive resources available through *Stepping Up* to:

- Convene or draw on a diverse team of leaders and decision makers from multiple agencies committed to safety reducing the number of people with mental illnesses in jails.

- Collect and review prevalence numbers and assess individuals' needs to better identify adults entering jails with mental illnesses and their recidivism risk, and use that baseline of information to guide decision making at the system, program, and case levels.
- Examine treatment and service capacity to determine which programs and services are available in the Region for people with mental illnesses and co-occurring substance use disorders, and identify state and local policy and finding barriers to minimizing contact with the justice system and providing treatment and supports in the community.
- Develop a plan with measureable outcomes that draws on the jail assessment and prevalence data and the examination of available treatment and service capacity, while considering identified barriers.
- Implement research-based approaches that advance the plan.
- Create a process to track progress using data and information systems, and to report on successes.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 24th day of January, 2017.

Name: /s/Mark Sybesma
Title: Board of Supervisors, Chairman

Name: /s/John Degen
Title: Vice Chair

Name: /s/Dennis Wright
Title: Supervisor

Name: /s/Al Bloemendaal
Title: Supervisor

Name: /s/Arlyn Kleinwolterink
Title: Supervisor

ATTEST:

Name: /s/Ryan Dokter
Title: Sioux County Auditor

- 6) Becky Erdmann, Executive Director, The Bridge requested funding for FY2018 in the amount of \$5,000. Currently, The Bridge has six rooms available for women and their children. Erdmann explained the great need for beds statewide for those with mental health issues.
- 7) Derrick Postma and Karen Schuiteman on behalf of the Sioux County Youth Fair, requested funding for FY2018 in the amount of \$25,000. Postma presented the expenditures and revenues for the Youth Fair as well as distributed the Youth Fair Board membership. The Fair is changing the dates for 2017, and will run from July 11-16.
- 8) Dan Altena, Sioux County Sheriff, reviewed his FY2018 budget with the Board. Sheriff Altena shared that nearly 80% of his budget is comprised of staffing expense. He noted that the average number of federal inmates has declined and will make an adjustment in his revenue to reflect that.
- 9) Rob Klocke, Sioux County Conservation Director, reviewed his FY2018 budget with the Board. Present for this discussion were Conservation Board members Gordon Pottebaum, Dave Meylink, Brian Oordt, and Jerry Jensen.
 - Klocke has allotted \$100,000 for Sandy Hollow improvements and \$125,000 for a proposed Nature Center, to be expended from the land acquisition fund.
 - Distributed a salary comparison report from surrounding counties and he plans to raise salaries of his staff to get more in line with those counties.

10) Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer,

- Requested approval of a Federal Aid Agreement for HMA resurfacing project STP-S-C084-(157) on 280th Street(B14) near Matlock. Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to approve said agreement. Motion carried unanimously.
- Submitted rock crushing pricing for information.
- Updated the Board on secondary road activities as well as the progress of the Rock Valley bridge projects.
- Julius presented his FY2018 budget request.

11) Committee Reports:

- **Sybesma, Wright, Bloemendaal** – attended the New Officers School on January 18 and 19. Reported that there were many good sessions.
- **Sybesma and Bloemendaal** – attended a Sioux County Regional Airport Board meeting on January 23. Reviewed the financing for the bond payment in which all three entities would begin repayment of the bond in FY2018, with each contributing \$75,000 per year for 15 years. Terminal building designs were distributed.
- **Bloemendaal** – attended a Northwest Iowa Planning and Development meeting on January 19. Dues for the counties have increased slightly. Bloemendaal also attended a RIDES meeting and the agency is in good financial standing.
- **Kleinwolterink** – attended a Safety Committee meeting and a Center For Financial Education meeting.
- **Wright** – attended a YES Board meeting on January 20.
- **Sybesma** – attended an ISAC Board meeting on January 20.

12) Claims submitted by the Sioux County Auditor were approved for payment.

13) The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 31, 2017.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Ryan Dokter
Sioux County Auditor