

**MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING HELD ON APRIL 4, 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 March 28, 2017, were submitted, and the Chairman declared them approved.
- 3) Tom Kunstle, Sioux County Attorney,
  - Informed the Board of a recent sentencing of Axel Reyes on March 31, 2017. Reyes was sentenced to two separate two-year prison terms to be served concurrently. Kunstle has coordinated with the US Immigration and Custom's Enforcement (ICE), which confirmed they will begin deportation proceedings against Reyes at the expiration of his prison terms.
- 4) Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to sign certificates of appreciation for their years of service for former Capel Township Trustee Ben Koerselman, and former Rock Township Clerk, Jim Vander Velde. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5) Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer
  - Informed the Board that the letting for the Trans Ova road and Regional Airport road will be let May 2, 2017.
  - Updated the Board on secondary road activity and the Rock Valley bridge project.
  - Julius will attend a TIP meeting in Spencer on Wednesday for the L14 project.
  - Presented the 5-year construction plan with the FY2018 budget information. Motion by Wright and supported by Degen to approve the 5-year construction plan and the FY2018 budget information as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Reported that the motor grader has been ordered and is finalizing the order for trucks.
- 6) Ross Simmelink, Sioux County Assessor, discussed the letter sent to property owners in regards to valuations. There will be a 12% decline in the total ag value, which amounts to approximately \$155 million dollars, but conversely, the residential values will increase approximately \$174 million dollars. There will also be an increase in the industrial and commercial values. The net result will be a little higher than the 2016 values overall.
- 7) Committee Reports:
  - **Wright & Sybesma** – 1) Attended a Sioux Rivers Mental Health meeting on March 28. The juvenile position was voted down. Interviews are taking place for the Jail Services Coordinator position. Discussed on the Friendship House proposal to build a facility in downtown Sioux City.
  - **Bloemendaal** – 1) Attended a Mid-Sioux meeting on March 29. Their audit report was presented and there were no findings. 2) Attended a Sioux County Trails meeting on April 3. Informed the Board about a meeting at the Sioux Center City Office on Friday, April 7, at 10:30 a.m. The topic will be to discuss the trail responsibilities

between the City of Sioux Center and the City of Orange City, for the potential trail between the two cities.

- **Degen & Kleinwolterink** – Attended the Saving Our Avian Resources (SOAR) presentation at the Hawarden Community Center on April 1. The presenter talked about the rehabilitation process for eagles and the effects of lead poisoning in eagles.
- **Degen & Sybesma** – Met with Justin Jacobsma with Williams & Company to discuss drafting a letter to the Conservation Board to address the pipeline funding that was receipted to the Sioux County Conservation Foundation. In the future, this type of funding must run through the County Treasurer before going to any other entity.

8) The claims from March 28, 2017 were approved as submitted by the County Auditor.

9) The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

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Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ryan Dokter  
Sioux County Auditor