

**MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 20, 2015**

**15-01-20 1** The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met on January 20, 2015, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Al Bloemendaal, John Degen, Arlyn Kleinwolterink, Mark Sybesma and Dennis Wright.

**15-01-20 2** Minutes of the meeting held on January 13, 2015 were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

**15-01-20 3** Thomas Kunstle, Sioux County Attorney, reported that Deputy County Attorney Andrea Glasgow is currently handling a trial involving drug only impaired OWI case. This is the third time the County Attorney's office has gone to trial on this type of case. Kunstle reported that Sioux County's drug recognition expert is Caleb Haverdink.

**15-01-20 4** Allan Reinders, representing the Sioux County Soil and Water Conservation Commission asked the Board for help in funding three projects in Fiscal Year 2015/2016.

- Education-related projects - \$4,750.
- Cover Crop Seeding - \$10,000
- Corn Row Snow Fence - \$5,000.

**15-01-20 5** Juliana Pennings, on behalf of Western Iowa Tourism requested that the Board again provides funding in the amount of \$500.00 for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. Mike Hofman was present for this discussion.

**15-01-20 6** Derrick Postma, Sioux County Youth Fair presented the Fair's Budget Request for \$25,000 in Fiscal Year 2015-16. Craig De Haan is the president of the Fair Board and was present for this discussion. Sioux County Youth Fair was designated a Blue Ribbon Fair this past year.

**15-01-20 7** Harvey Wiltsey Labor Negotiator met with the Board to discuss labor negotiations. Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to go into executive session according to Section 20.18(3) of Iowa Code. Roll call on vote: Kleinwolterink, Yes; Degen, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes; Wright, Yes; and Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried, unanimous in favor. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Degen to return to regular session. Roll call on Vote: Wright, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes; Degen, Yes; Kleinwolterink, Yes; and Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

**15-01-20 8** Dan Altena, Sioux County Sheriff discussed his proposed budget for the Sheriff's Department for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. At this point the Sheriff did not budget for Courthouse Security.

**15-01-20 9** Aaron Haverdink, Sioux County Mental Health Director, distributed the December Monthly MH/DD Expenditure Report. Haverdink reported that the Mental Health Region is looking at getting people out of work activity programs and into jobs in the private sector. This project is budgeted to be paid from equalization money from the State. However; Governor Branstad has suggested that a way to save money is to not fund equalization, which is viewed by the Region as problematic.

**15-01-20 10** Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer

- A permit request from Mid American Energy to install three new 45' poles west of the half mile line between Fig Avenue and Fir Avenue on the South side of 470<sup>th</sup> Street in Reading Township Section 15 was submitted for Board approval. Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the aforementioned permit agreement. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.
- Stockpiling is being done. About 50 thousand tons of gravel will be stockpiled at the conclusion of this season.
- Presented the Engineer's budget request for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. This budget has increased because of several planned road projects.

**15-01-20 11** Committee reports:

- **Kleinwolterink:** Attended the following meetings: Wellness, Northwest Iowa Early Childhood Development, Landfill, and Board of Adjustment and Planning and Zoning. Sybesma also attended the Planning and Zoning Meeting.
- **Degen** –a) Reported that at an E-911 and Emergency management meeting that board was told that they will need to move the tower west of Orange City. An upgrade is needed to the climate control system to keep the equipment cool at the Communications Center. New "SIP" lines are also needed. These are network lines that feed the communication center; these new lines will allow for what "Next Generation 911. A grant is available for these upgrades. b) Degen reported that the Conservation Department has a female officer who is being certified.
- **Bloemendaal** – Attended 3 meetings: 1) NW Iowa Planning and Development. 2) RIDES did not have a December meeting, so there were two months of reports to review. Revenues were up the past two months. 3) Airport board meeting yesterday (Sybesma also attended). That Board authorized Harold Schiebout to work with interested parties to take down hog confinement buildings at the Regional Airport work site.
- **Wright** – a) Attended Sioux Rivers meeting. b) Went to the Iowa State Association of County's New Officers School in Des Moines on Wednesday and Thursday.
- **Sybesma** – Informed the Board that Wayne Klein will accept the position of Center Township Trustee. The position of Lynn Township Trustee has not yet been filled.

**15-01-20 12** The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 27, 2015.

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Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

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Lois Huitink  
Sioux County Auditor