

## MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 31, 2006

The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met pursuant to adjournment at 9:00 o'clock a.m. with Chairman Mark Sybesma presiding. Members present were Loren Bouma, Vernon Beernink, Mark Sybesma, John Degen and Stanley L. De Haan.

Minutes of the meeting held on October 24, 2006, were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

Melissa O'Rourke, County Attorney, updated the Board on an incident in Hawarden in which two men were killed. The search for suspects is ongoing. O'Rourke urged the Board to work with legislators to provide some form of identification for immigrants so that vehicle insurance, drivers licensing and vehicle registration could be possible for everyone residing in the County.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following:

- a. Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the First Quarter of 2006/2007 in the amount of \$67,455.02.
- b. A letter from Iowa Network Services informing them that the Alton Veterans Memorial Fund is a grant recipient in the amount of \$300.00

A Certificate of Appreciation was signed in recognition of Bruce Schomaker's 14 years of outstanding service to the Sioux County Conservation Board. Motion by Degen and supported by De Haan to recognize the service of Bruce Schomaker. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Randy Feenstra, County Treasurer, requested that the Board abate tax on a property owned by Dordt College. The total amount owed in tax is \$218.00, penalty and interest amounts to \$250.00.

Motion by Bouma and supported by Degen to waive the penalty and interest for the aforementioned property and accept payment of \$218.00. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Parcel #

Owner

Tax Owed

Shane Walter, Community Services Director, stated that the Adult Rehab Option will be eliminated on November 1, 2006. Several meetings are planned to put a plan in place to compensate for the shortfall in funding. Walter reported that five additional people have been added to the State payment program in the past couple of weeks.

Melissa Juhl, Mid-Sioux Opportunity, requested a letter of support for placing a Community Health Center Access Point in Sioux Center. Mid-Sioux and Community Health Partners are working together to provide services to uninsured or underinsured people. A fee will be set, on a sliding fee schedule, based on federal poverty guidelines. The letter of support was requested to assist in applying for a \$650,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Public Health and Human Services. Motion by Beernink and supported by Bouma to sign a letter of support for a Community Health Center Access Point in Sioux Center. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

A letter of support was requested by Mid-Sioux Opportunity to receive funding under the Joint Homeless Assistance Program to provide rent and utility assistance. Motion by De Haan and supported by Degen to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of support for Mid-Sioux Opportunity so that they can receive funding under the Joint Homeless Assistance Program. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Douglas Julius, County Engineer, met with the Board to request signatures on the following permits.

- **Southern Sioux Rural Water** - Crossing 490<sup>th</sup> Street and K-30 with a 2 1/2" water line in Reading Township Sections 20, 29 and 30
- **Southern Sioux Rural Water** – Crossing 460<sup>th</sup> Street with a 2 1/2" water line in Washington Township sections 3 and 10
- **NW REC** – Set poles just outside the fence line on ROW approximately 700" in Garfield Township Section 12 and up to the half mile line in Plato Township Section 7

- **Rural Water #1** – Cross roadway with 3” HDPE Pipe 85’ north of 340<sup>th</sup> Street and Goldfinch Avenue in Welcome Township Section 6 and Plato Township Section 1

Motion by Beernink and supported by Degen to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign permits as listed above. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

Julius informed the Board that all projects west of Hwy 75 are completed for the year.

Committee Reports: Bouma reported that the YES Center has substantial excess funds. It will be determined how they will be used at a future meeting of that organizations’ Board.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m. until Tuesday, November 14, 2006.

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Mark Sybesma, Chairman  
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lois Huitink  
Sioux County Auditor