

MINUTES OF SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON MAY 22, 2012

12-05-22 1 The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, met on May 15, 2012, 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.

12-05-22 2 Minutes of the meeting held on May 15, 2012, were submitted and the Chairman declared them approved.

12-05-22 3 Steve Simons, Chairperson of Northwest Iowa Development met with the Supervisors to explain the services provided by that agency. Lori Wolkow, Boyden City Clerk and member of the NWID Board was also present for this presentation. Six counties (Lyon, Osceola, Sioux, O'Brien, Plymouth and Cherokee) are members of NW Iowa Economic Development. Simons reported that the goal of NWID is to build awareness of the region through targeted promotion.

12-05-22 4 Randy Jacobsma, Sioux County Treasurer

- Introduced a new employee in the driver's license department. Jody Haverhals has been hired for this position. Motion by Wright and supported by Bloemendaal to approve the hiring of Haverhals. Motion carried unanimous in favor.
- Requested that an abatement of taxes be allowed on a lot adjoining the new Event Center in Orange City. The property is owned by the City of Orange City. \$1,226.00 abatement is requested. Motion by Kleinwolterink and supported by Degen to approve the abatement of taxes on the aforementioned parcel of property. Roll call on vote: Wright, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes; Degen, Yes; Kleinwolterink, Yes; and Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION No. 2012-28
SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Date: May 22, 2012
ABATEMENT OF TAXES

Whereas, The Sioux County Board of Supervisors have concluded that the following parcels have no merit in collecting taxes and move that the taxes be abated based on reasons noted:

Owner	Parcel	Year	Original Tax	Current Tax	Reason
Orange City District 110 – Orange City	2304202009	2009	\$ 974.00	\$ 1,226.00	Gifted to City of Orange City

Whereas, The Board of Supervisors of Sioux County has the authority to abate taxes based on The Iowa Code [Sec.445.63]

Whereas, The Board of Supervisors can also abate taxes when the Treasurer determines that it is impractical to pursue the collection of taxes through the tax sale or personal judgment remedies

Whereas, The Board of Supervisors shall abate, by resolution, the amount due, and direct the Treasurer to strike the amount due from the county system Iowa Code [Sec. 445.16]

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Sioux County Board of Supervisors as follows:

The Board of Supervisors has decided that these taxes should not be collected and direct the Treasurer to strike the amount due from the county system on each parcel noted above.

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Sioux County, Iowa, on May 22, 2012.

/s/ Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/ Lois Huitink
Sioux County Auditor

12-05-22 5 James Vanden Brink, Plant Controller and Tim Czmowski, General Manager of the Agropur Cheese Plant gave an update on the plant in Hull. They presented a virtual tour of the Agropur plant. Czmowski informed the Board that a second plant is being planned. 128 people are currently employed at the Hull plant. Approximately 50 more people will be employed following the expansion. The plant runs 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Sybesma acknowledged that Agropur has been a good neighbor and a welcome addition to Sioux County.

12-05-22 6 COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Degen** – Reported that a handicapped accessible pier has been installed at the South Pit Area.
- **Wright** – Reported that he met yesterday with several people who are impacted by the changes to mental health funding recently implemented by the Iowa Legislature. Noted that a Northwest Iowa Mental Health Consortium Meeting will be held on June 15.

12-05-22 7 Doug Julius, Sioux County Engineer

- Requested approval of the 2012 Weed Resolution. Motion by Degen and supported by Kleinwolterink to approve the 2012 Weed Resolution. Roll call on vote: Degen, Yes; Kleinwolterink, Yes; Wright, Yes; Bloemendaal, Yes; and Sybesma, Yes. Motion carried, unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION No. 2012-25

WEED CONTROL RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SIOUX COUNTY, IOWA:

That pursuant to provisions of Chapter 317, Code of Iowa, it is hereby ordered

- 1) That each owner and each person in the possession or control of any land shall cut, burn or otherwise destroy all noxious weeds thereon, as defined in this Chapter, at such times in each year and in such manner as shall prevent said weeds from blooming bearing seeds or coming to maturity, and shall keep said lands free from such growth of any other weeds as shall render the streets or highways adjoining said land unsafe for public travel. Noxious weeds shall be cut, burned or otherwise destroyed on or before the following dates and as often thereafter as necessary to prevent seed production:

Group 1: July 1 for Leafy Spurge; Marijuana Plants; Perennial Pepper-grass; Buckthorn (Rhamnus, not to include Rhamnus Frangula); Sour Dock Perennial, Smooth Dock

Perennial and Sheep Sorrel Perennial.

Group 2: July 1, for Canada Thistle; Russian Knapweed; Buckhorn; Perennial and Wild Mustard Annual.

Group 3: July 15 for European Morning Glory or Field Bindweed; Wild Carrot Biennial, also known as Queen Anne's Lace; Poison Hemlock and Multiflora Rose.

Group 4: July 15 for Horse Nettle; Perennial Sow Thistle; Quack Gras; Butterprint Annual; Cocklebur; Bull Thistle; Wild Sunflower Annual; Teasel Biennial; Puncture Vine Annual; Shattercane Annual and all other species of thistles belonging in genera of Cirsium and Carduus.

- 2) That each owner and each person in the possession or control of land including right of way in Sioux County infested with any noxious weeds listed above shall adopt a program of weed destruction described by the Weed Commissioner which in five years may be expected to destroy and will immediately keep under control such infestations of said noxious weeds.
- 3) That if the owners or persons in possession or control of any land including right of way in Sioux County fail to comply with the foregoing orders, the Weed Commissioner shall cause this to be done and the expense of said work, including cost of serving notice and other costs, if any, to be assessed against the real estate.
- 4) **Sioux County has discontinued the Annual Spot Spraying Program of noxious weeds and other weed types growing in Sioux County Secondary Road ditches. It will be the responsibility of each owner and each person in the possession or control of land to destroy said weeds in Sioux County Secondary Road Ditches.**
- 5) That the County Auditor be and is hereby directed to cause notice of the making and entering the foregoing order by one publication in each of the official newspapers of the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Sioux County be designated as a weed control unit.

BY ORDER OF THE SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Signed and dated this 22nd day of May, 2012

/s/ Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/Lois Huitink
Sioux County Auditor

- Reported that the deadline for street sign replacement has been eliminated.
- Updated the Board regarding road projects.

12-05-22 8 The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m. The next meeting will be held on May 29, 2012, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Mark Sybesma, Chairman
Sioux County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Lois Huitink
Sioux County Auditor