

December 17, 2018

Chairman Helgevold called the regular meeting of the Wright County Board of Supervisors to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present were Rasmussen and Helgevold.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve the ISG proposal for Site Design Planning including grading, utilities and roadway for the Industrial Park of \$123,900 and have the Chairman sign. Motion carries.

Jen Sheehan, CSS Coordinator, presented the I-START Program information and requested that Wright County be the employer of record for the I-START Coordinator. The Coordinator will be contracted with Rolling Hills – Sac City and will work out of Calhoun, Carroll, Buena Vista, Sac, Crawford, Ida, and Cherokee. Jim Aberg gave some history of the I-START Program and what it does.

Stan Watne joined the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Watne to approve Wright County be employer of record for the I-Start Program. Motion carries.

Andy Yackle, Peggy Schluttenhofer, and Jen Sheehan met with the board to give the updated Wellness Program. The wellness program will be through Iowa State Association of Counties and Mercy Network. There are various thresholds that the county will need to meet in order to get continued discounts on the insurance premiums.

ISAC and Mercy will be a lot more hands on in working on the programs.

1. ISAC will hold a Lunch and learn and the County Wellness Committee will have a lunch and learn. (Need to have 60% participation to both meetings for a 1% discount on premium)
2. Mercy will come to the county and do a biometric measurement on each employee. Need 70% participation for another 1% discount; 80% participation for 2%; 90% participation for a 3% discount.
3. Employee's must take their Biometric results to their family doctor for another 1% discount and that too requires over 60% participation.

Each 1% discount accounts for about \$16,500 in savings in the County in premiums.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Watne to approve a \$100.00 gift card to employees for completing the Wellness program for 2018.

Jan Libbey with Healthy Harvest of North Iowa gave their annual update on the programs for 2018 and what is new in 2019. Jan gave the Healthy Harvest of North Iowa 2018 North Iowa Local Food Guide which features Producers, Farmers Markets, Restaurants, Grocery Stores, and More! Libbey would ask for \$.30 cents per capita which would be about \$3,800 for their program. The board will consider this at budget time.

Denny Bowman and Duane Asbe, members of the Wright County Charitable Committee met with the board to give their annual update on the foundation. Currently, the Charitable Foundation is receiving \$135,000 each year as a grant. Of that, \$101,000 must be put back into grants to organizations in the county. \$33,000 is placed into an endowment. Mr. Asbe then covered information on the Endowment

Program. The Charitable Foundation is again asking for \$9,000 to fund the administration of the Endowment and Charitable Foundation. The board will consider this at budget time.

Gene Rosenbaum a member of the Search and Rescue team gave some information on the Ice Rescue Essentials and the training programs that they keep up on. He is requesting for the Search and Rescue Team to get 2 new Water Rescue Suits, a Reach N'sling, and ice picks for a total cost of \$1,713.50. The board will consider this at budget time.

Adam Clemons and Deb Lukes updated the board on the private road crossing at the Pogge driveway. Present on conference call was Philip Jacobs (FEMA grant writer).

Landowners and interested parties present were: Dave Pogge and Jay Pogge.

Deb Lukes explained that a private crossing in SW ¼ of NW ¼ of section 18 Norway Township was washed out in the flooding that occurred this past summer.

Adam Clemons described what his cost estimate is to replace the crossing and install larger pipes for water to flow through, stating that the total cost to replace and enlarge the pipes would be \$83,206.33. Philip Jacobs then explained that FEMA could possibly pay up to 75% of the estimated cost to repair the structure. The estimated cost to repair the structure to pre disaster condition would be \$32,000.00, making the 75% cost share from FEMA be approximately \$24,000.00.

Discussion was then held regarding who pays for the remaining approximate cost of \$59,000.00. It was decided to have a meeting with David Johnson to get an attorney's opinion.

Be it known that this private crossing is not an asset of the drainage district, and that the district is merely facilitating the meetings.

Held conference call with Franklin County and Hancock County on change order #1 for DD #125-49-1. Present on conference call were: Franklin County – Supervisors Mike Nolte, Corey Eberling and Gary McVicker and Michelle Giddings (auditor) and Sandy Eckhardt (drainage clerk). Hancock County – Supervisors Jerry Tlach, Sis Greiman and Ron Sweers and Michelle Eisenman (auditor) and Ann Hinders (drainage clerk).

The joint boards met to review and take action on Change Order No. 1 requesting a time extension to the contract from November 30, 2018 to May 1, 2019.

Motion by Ron Sweers of Hancock County and seconded by Stan Watne of Wright County to approve Change Order No. 1 to extend the contract time to May 1, 2019 and direct the control county chairman to sign said change order. Motion carries.

Bob Powers with Paradigm Benefits presented information concerning the Counties third party administrator of the partial self-funding of the county health insurance. Currently, the county is with Employee Benefits Systems (EBS). Auditor Ellis requested to look at another company that would give better reporting of usage and account balances. Powers then presented information on Auxiant. They are located out of Cedar Rapids and also are the Administrator of the CGD School insurance program. There was then a motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Watne to approve the move for the Third Party Administrator of EBS to Auxiant administered through Paradigm Benefits. Motion carries.

Motion by Watne and seconded by Rasmussen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

Karl Helgevold, Chairman
Wright County Board of Supervisors

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor