

February 11, 2019

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of February 4, 2019 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Kluss to approve the liquor license for Nine and Dine, rural Eagle Grove pending dram shop insurance. Motion carries.

Motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevold to approve the appointment of Hannah Stensland as a Civil Process Server in the Sheriff's department. Motion carries.

Reviewed bids for the soil borings at the Wright County Agri-Business Park for geotechnical exploration of the improvements of the Agri-Business Park. It is the recommendation of the ISG Engineer to accept the low bid of Chosen Valley Testing for the geotechnical exploration of \$2,150.00. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Kluss to approve the bid from Chosen Valley Testing. Motion carries.

Motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevold to accept the Wright County budget as presented and set the public hearing on the budget for March 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carries.

Greg Soenen presented information on the Iowa Project Aware event to be held July 7 to 12th. Iowa Project AWARE is an annual volunteer river cleanup event that brings volunteers to a different Iowa river each year. They will start at the River Park in Goldfield and work their way down the Boone River. The group's common goal is to remove unwanted and unsightly junk from the river. Project AWARE is also asking for a sponsorship from the county to help support the clean-up effort.

Cindy Litwiller, Wright County Economic Development Director, requested that the Supervisors consider opening bids for the South 40 acres and waiting 2 weeks to make a decision as there is a possibility that the retention pond from the Agri-Business park be moved to the South 40. There were 4 bids received ranging from \$175.00 to \$236.00 per acre. There was then a motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevold to accept the bid from Josh and Jacob Christensen of \$236.00 per acre subject to the ISG Engineering report on the number of acres and the tenants approval. Motion carries.

Held a conference call with Franklin County and Hancock County on Joint Drainage district #125-49-1 for approval of pay estimate #2. Present on conference call were: Franklin County – Supervisors Mike Nolte, Corey Eberling and Gary McVicker and Michelle Giddings (auditor). Hancock County – Supervisors Jerry Tlach, Sis Greiman and Gary Rayhons and Michelle Eisenman (auditor) and Ann Hinders (drainage clerk).

The joint boards met to review and take action on Pay Estimate No. 2 for payment to the contractor for work completed. Said Pay Estimate is for \$16,132.50. Motion by Rick Rasmussen of Wright County and seconded by Gary McVicker of Franklin County to approve Pay Estimate No 2 in the amount of \$16,132.50. Motion carries.

Held conference call with Franklin County on Joint drainage district #118-4 to receive Engineers report and to set a public hearing date on the report. Present on conference call were: Franklin County

Supervisors Mike Nolte, Corey Eberling & Gary McVicker. Also present were Michelle Giddings (auditor) and Lee Gallentine (CGA Engineering).

Lee Gallentine explained that at a previous hearing, it was determined to complete a reclassification of the district before proceeding with any discussions of major repairs or improvements. He went on to say that the Main Tile and Laterals had never been broke out on their own.

Gallentine then gave a brief explanation of the reports submitted, saying we have a Reclassification report for the Main Open Ditch, and Classification Reports for the Main Tile, and all the Laterals within the district.

Motion by Rasmussen of Wright County and seconded by McVicker of Franklin County to accept the Reclassification/Classification reports as submitted and set a public hearing on said reports for Monday April 15, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Franklin County Law Enforcement Center in Hampton, Iowa. Motion carries.

Cindy Litwiller, Wright County Economic Development Director, requested to discuss more information concerning the sale of property at the Agri-Business Park. She requested that the Board of Supervisors consider going into closed session. Motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevold to move into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5(j) to discuss the sale of a lot in the Agri-Business Park. By roll call vote: ayes – Helgevold, Kluss, and Rasmussen; nays – none. Went into closed session.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Kluss to go back into open session. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevold to move forward with Plan B for sale of property in the Agri-Business Park as discussed in closed session. Motion carries unanimously.

Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, came to board with continued discussion of his Secondary Roads budget. The numbers submitted to Auditor will not change.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Kluss to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

Rick Rasmussen, Chairman
Wright County Board of Supervisors

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor