

October 30, 2017

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of October 23, 2017 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Jamey Whitney, Executive Director of Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc. met with the board to give the annual update on the Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc. program. In total, UDMO assisted 1,495 individuals in 589 Wright County households at a cost of \$301,865.00. Some of the programs that they offer are: emergency/energy services, food programs, senior programs, misc. special projects, weatherization, and youth programs. This year they are requesting \$13,392.00 which includes \$1,107 of CHORE program. This will be considered at budget time.

Kathy Nicholls met with the board to request the transfer of Jessica Crawford from County Social Services to the Public Health Department. She would start November 1, 2017 in Public Health at 30 hours per week. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to approve the transfer. Motion carries.

Andy Yackle, Building and Grounds Maintenance, presented the contract for the courtroom renovation. The contract base price will be for \$570,005. Estimated start will be January 2018. Motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to approve the contract and have the chairman sign. Motion carries.

Sandy McGrath, Wright County Environmental Health, presented Ordinance #56 on Illegal Dumping which is to control illegally dumped materials in public places and on private property within the unincorporated areas of Wright County, Iowa, and to promote health, safety and general welfare in the unincorporated areas of Wright County, Iowa. Motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to approve the first reading of Ordinance #56 on illegal dumping and hold the second hearing on November 6, 2017. By roll call vote: ayes – Helgevold, Watne, and Rasmussen; nays – none. First reading duly passes.

McGrath then submitted Ordinance #57 to abate the nuisances and unsafe conditions. This ordinance is to provide standards for the protection of life, health, property and the general public welfare by regulating and controlling health nuisances within unincorporated areas of Wright County. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve the first reading of Ordinance #57 on abating the nuisances and unsafe conditions and hold the second reading on November 6, 2017. By roll call vote: Ayes – Watne, Helgevold, and Rasmussen; nays- none. First reading duly passes.

Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, joined the meeting on conference call. There is a position open working out of the Belmond shed. Motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to approve the hire of the presented name pending the post hire pre-employment testing. Motion carries unanimously. This position will follow the union starting wages.

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

Rick Rasmussen, Chairman
Wright County Board of Supervisors

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor