

September 9, 2019

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of September 3, 2019 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to receive the Wright County Sheriff's monthly fees report and place on file. Motion carries.

Sarah Holmes with Economic Development presented a release of real estate mortgage on a home loan through Economic Development. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Kluss to approve the release of real estate mortgage and have the Chairman sign. Motion carries.

Opened up the bids for the cash rent of the Wright County Farm southeast of Clarion. There were 6 bids submitted and they are as follows:

Bob Sutherland, Blairsburg: \$285.00/acre

Grant Stein, Eagle Grove: \$232.00/acre

Kevin Burras, Eagle Grove: \$251.90/acre

Josh, Jacob & Richard Christensen, Eagle Grove: \$242.00/acre

Austin and Holden Walton, Clarion: \$252.00/acre

Greg Schipull, Goldfield: \$263.00/acre

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Kluss to accept the bid from Bob Sutherland for \$285.00/acre. Motion carries.

Motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevold to approve Resolution 2019-47 to enter into drainage agreement and perpetual easement with Barbra W. Vilter, Life Estate to provide storm water drainage for Wright County AgriBusiness Park. By roll call vote: Ayes – Kluss, Helgevold, and Rasmussen; nays – none. Resolution 2019-47 duly passes and reads as follows:

Resolution 2019-47

**Resolution to enter into drainage agreement and perpetual easement with Barbra W. Vilter, Life Estate to provide storm water drainage for Wright County Agri-Business Park.**

**WHEREAS**, Wright County, Iowa, owner of property located in the east half of the northeast quarter (E1/2 NE ¼) of section 28, Township 90 Range 26, known as Wright County Agri-Business Park, desires an outlet for a storm water retention pond located on their property which lies entirely outside any Drainage District.

**WHEREAS**, Wright County, Iowa, wishes to cross the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter (NE ¼ SE ¼) of section 28, Township 90 Range 26, owned by the Barbra Vilter Life Estate, with a 24-inch non-perforated tile line to access a natural outlet to the south which lies entirely outside any Drainage District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Wright County Board of Supervisors to enter into the drainage agreement and perpetual easement with Barbra Vilter, Life Estate, with undivided remainder interests in Elizabeth McConnell, Kathryn S Vilter and Robin Vilter.

Passed and approved on this 9th day of September 2019.

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Motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevold to approve Resolution 2019-48 to enter into drainage agreement and perpetual easement with Darle Elkin and Carolyn S. Elkin 2018 Revocable Trust to provide storm water drainage for Wright County AgriBusiness Park. By roll call vote: Ayes – Kluss, Helgevold, and Rasmussen; nays – none. Resolution 2019-48 duly passes and reads as follows:

Resolution 2019-48

**Resolution to enter into drainage agreement and perpetual easement with Darle L. Elkin and Carolyn S. Elkin 2018 Revocable Trusts to provide storm water drainage for Wright County Agri-Business Park.**

**WHEREAS**, Wright County, Iowa, owner of property located in the east half of the northeast quarter (E1/2 NE ¼) of section 28, Township 90 Range 26, known as Wright County Agri-Business Park, desires an outlet for a storm water retention pond located on their property which lies entirely outside any Drainage District.

**WHEREAS**, Wright County, Iowa, wishes to cross the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter (SE ¼ SE ¼) of section 28, Township 90 Range 26, owned by the Darle L. Elkin and Carolyn S. Elkin 2018 Revocable Trusts, with a 24-inch non-perforated tile line to access a natural outlet to the south which lies entirely outside any Drainage District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Wright County Board of Supervisors to enter into the drainage agreement and perpetual easement with Darle L. Elkin 2018 Revocable Trust and Carolyn S. Elkin 2018 Revocable Trust.

Passed and approved on this 9th day of September 2019.

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The Board of Supervisors presented the Wright County EMS Advisory Council the 2019 Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) Excellence in Action Award for the work they did in transitioning to a Unified County-Wide EMS System. The award is a competitive awards program that seeks to recognize innovative county government employees, programs, and projects. The award was presented to the Wright County Board of Supervisors during a ceremony at the ISAC Annual Conference in Des Moines on August 21<sup>st</sup>.

1:30 p.m. The Board of Supervisors met with landowners in DD #107 for an informational meeting concerning sloughing of ditch banks in the open ditch #107. Drainage Clerk, Courtney Stewart explained the damages that were discovered in DD 107 Section 17 and 19 of Norway Township. She went on to show drone footage, which was filed in the auditor's office, showing the extent of sloughing within Section 19.

There were concerns from the landowners that this same thing could happen again a few years down the road. Landowners also mentioned that a grass with a longer root system and possibly some rip-rap maybe needed.

After further discussion, it was decided that an Engineer would be contacted to discuss cost options on engineering the entire drainage district or only one section. It was also decided that the tree issue in Section 17 of Norway Township needed to be addressed.

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

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Rick Rasmussen, Chairman  
Wright County Board of Supervisors

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Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor