

February 20, 2012

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of February 13, 2012 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, Denny Bowman, WC Economic Development Director, and Colleen Bartlett, Transit Coordinator came to give update on the Transit/Engineer's proposed facility. After researching all aspects of combining the transit building and the Engineer's office, it was determined that it would be more cost effective to build two separate buildings. It was going to cost about \$125,000 more in the Engineers office building to meet the Department of Transportation requirements. The DOT is providing a grant for the Transit building of 80% cost share. Thus it was more beneficial to the county to build separate buildings. Bowman stated that there is an Amoco Loan that can supply 10% of entire cost at 5 years at zero percent interest. The other 10% could be taken out by Prairie Energy loan for seven years at 3-4 percent interest if necessary.

Adam Clemons then explained a little about the Engineers office. He is thinking about a 60x60 foot office facility with the lab included. He has told the Architect that he would like to hold the cost down to below \$300,000.00. Clemons will talk with 3 architects to see what type of designs they can come up with that will be within our cost estimates. Previous cost estimates were over \$500,00 and all included commercial grade construction which Clemons thought would be un-necessary.

Held the third reading of the amendment to Ordinance #5 to allow for Salvage Yards in rural areas of the county. Motion by Maasdam and seconded by Beenken to approve the third reading of the amendment to Ordinance #5 and will become effective after publication. By roll call vote: Ayes – Watne, Beenken, Maasdam, and Helgevold; nays – none with Amdahl absent.

Motion by Beenken and seconded by Maasdam to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

---

Karl Helgevold, Chairman  
Wright County Board of Supervisors

---

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor