

July 30, 2012

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

Minutes of the July 23, 2012 regular meeting were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Motion by Amdahl and seconded by Beenken approve transfer of \$439,503.32 from the Special Appraisers fund to the Assessors Fund per HF524 which eliminates the Special Appraiser fund for FYE 2013. Motion carries

Auditor, Betty Ellis, requested post internally and advertise for an Accounts Payable person. She has an employee that will be retiring December 31, 2012. This new hire will help with scanning of documents, general election, and real estate until December 1<sup>st</sup> when she will then start being trained for the Accounts Payable clerk's position. It was approved by this board for the auditor to advertise for this position.

Supervisor Helgevold called Brinton, Bordwell, and Johnson's Law office and spoke to Dave Johnson concerning the appointment of a Drainage Attorney. Currently, Bob Brinton is the counties Drainage Attorney and with his recent retirement from the firm, the county will need to make a new appointment. The board requested a resignation letter from Brinton as the Drainage Attorney in order to make a new appointment.

Peggy Schluttenhofer, Wright County Treasurer, presented the Semi-annual report for June 30, 2012.

Andy Yackle and Peggy Schluttenhofer presented additional Wright County Employee safety policies. Presented were the Portable Ladder Safety, Ergonomics Compliance Policy, and Personal Protection Equipment. Motion by Amdahl and seconded by Watne to accept and adopt the presented policies. Motion carries.

Drainage Clerk, Deb Lukes, presented the board with information regarding the 1916 classification of DD No. 126. When said drain was established, DD No. 57, which lies within DD No. 126 boundary lines, was not included in the Commissioners Report of Benefit. DD No. 57 was however assessed for an outlet fee when establishment was completed, but was never assessed for anything else since. No mention of how much of an outlet fee should be assessed to DD No. 57 was ever recorded in the drainage minutes, commissioners report of benefit, or engineers report.

On September 19, 2011, the Board of Supervisors held a completion hearing for DD No. 126 for an improvement. In May 2012 the drainage clerk assessed the landowners within said drain for insufficient funds. Because the classification of said drain did not include any landowners from DD No. 57, no outlet fee was charged to said landowners, leaving the entire amount of the improvement the responsibility of only those landowners in the west part of the entire district.

Deb Lukes requested the Board of Supervisors to appoint an engineer to reclassify the land, possibly combine both districts and dissolve DD No. 57, and issue a reimbursement to the landowners who paid for the recent improvement, according to a new classification. Suggestion was made for Deb to contact

Attorney, Dave Johnson, and get his opinion as to if a reclassification could be done without a petition from the landowners, and if the district should reimburse the landowners, since the assessments were correct as per the commissioners' report.

Motion by Amdahl and seconded by Watne to appoint MER Engineering to provide a reclassification on DD No. 126 with the possibility of combining DD No. 126 and DD No. 57 pending legal opinion from an attorney. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion by Watne and seconded Beenken to receive the quarterly revenue report for June 30, 2012 from the Wright County Recorder. Motion carries.

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

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Karl Helgevold, Chairman  
Wright County Supervisors

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Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor