

February 25, 2013

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of February 19, 2013 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Rasmussen to appoint John Mandal as the interim Sheriff until the special election at the same rate of pay of the current Sheriff. Motion carries.

Chairman Watne gave the Oath of Office to John Mandal as the new interim County Sheriff.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Rasmussen to set the date of the special election on April 16, 2013 to elect a County Sheriff for Wright County. Motion carries.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Rasmussen to approve Resolution 2013-12 on Floodplain management. By roll call vote: Ayes – Rasmussen, Helgevold and Watne; Nays – none. Resolution 2013-12 duly passes and reads as follows.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2013-12

WHEREAS, certain areas of Wright County are subject to periodic flooding causing damages to properties within these areas; and

WHEREAS, relief is available in the form of Federally subsidized flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Board of Supervisors, to require the recognition and evaluation of flood hazards in all official actions relating to land use in areas having these hazards; and

WHEREAS, this body has the legal authority to adopt land use and control measures to reduce future flood losses pursuant to Chapter 335, Code of Iowa.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby:

1. Assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it will enact as necessary, and maintain in force in those areas having flood hazards, adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with the Criteria set forth in Section 60 of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations,
2. Vests Wright County Planning and Zoning with the responsibility, authority, and means to:
 - a. Assist the Federal Insurance Administrator, at his request, in his delineation of the limits of the area having special flood hazards.
 - b. Provide such information as the Administrator may request concerning present uses and occupancy of the flood plain areas.
 - c. Cooperate with Federal, State, and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map, and identify flood plain areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities and the county with respect to management of adjoining flood plain areas in order to prevent aggravation of existing hazards.
 - d. When received from the Administrator, complete and submit those reports which advise the Administrator on the progress made within the community in the development and implementation of flood plain management measures.
 - e. Upon occurrence, notify the Administrator in writing whenever the boundaries of the community have been modified by annexation or loss of authority to adopt and enforce flood plain management regulations for a particular area. Included in such notification will be a map of the community, suitable for reproduction, which clearly delineates the new or deleted areas.
3. Appoints Wright County Planning and Zoning to maintain for public inspection and to furnish upon request, for the determination of applicable flood insurance risk premium rates any certificates of flood-proofing and

information on the elevation (in relation to North American Vertical Datum) of the level of the lowest floor (including basement) of all new or substantially improved structures, and

4. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the program.

ADOPTED AND PASSED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Wright this 25th day of February, 2013.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve the amendment to the contract to assist in writing a mitigation plan. Motion carries unanimously.

Deb Lukes, Drainage Clerk, gave an update on the DNR Permits for the flooding of 2010. We are still owed money from the Federal government and all the 10% from the state.

One landowner came to the board about some dangerous obstructions and farming a portion of the right of way. His concern was about large rock in the ditch, landscaping block on both sides of a driveway that is not a 3 to 1 slope. His concern is that these objects are more dangerous than what the area farmers are doing with farming the ditches.

12 Landowners were present to discuss letters that were sent out concerning farming the right of way. Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, gave a brief explanation of the process they took in processing the letters.

Received the Engineers report for DD #176 improvement giving three options. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to set the public hearing on April 8, 2013 for landowners to hear the report on the options. Motion carries.

Supervisor Helgevold gave an update on the County Social Services Building (aka – First Citizens National Bank). The bank has now moved as of February 19, 2013 to their new facility and they would like to go in and clean the carpets of the old building prior to handing over the keys.

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

Stan Watne, Chairman
Wright County Board of Supervisors

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor