

December 27, 2016

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of December 19, 2016 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Peggy Schluttenhofer, Wright County Treasurer, presented a county held tax certificate. There has been interest by an adjacent landowner to purchase the tax certificate. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to assign the tax certificate to Anna Breceda for \$244.00. Motion carries.

Next, Schluttenhofer presented the Wellness Program Agreement between the Iowa State Association of Counties and Wright County. The wellness program is the same as last year. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve the Wellness program as presented. Motion carries. It was also agreed by the board to pay \$10.00 towards the Live Healthy Iowa registration to encourage employees to join.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve the appointment of Deb Sebbby as deputy clerk for a period of 3 years in the Sheriff's department. Motion carries.

Bryce Davis, Wright County Economic Development Director, presented Resolution 2016-37 endorsing Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC developing and creating jobs in the unincorporated portion of Wright County, Iowa. This Resolution in summary allows the County to apply for the Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy grant. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve Resolution 2016-37. By roll call vote: Ayes – Rasmussen and Helgevold; nays – none with Watne absent. Resolution duly passes and reads as follows:

RESOLUTION 2016 – 37

RESOLUTION ENDORSING PRESTAGE FOODS OF IOWA, LLC DEVELOPING AND CREATING JOBS IN THE UNINCORPORATED PORTION OF WRIGHT COUNTY, IOWA

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors fully endorses the Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC pork processing plant project that is scheduled to be constructed in Wright County, Iowa, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has the legal right under the State of Iowa to endorse any job-creating project, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors concludes that the Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC development project is an immediate, non-speculative opportunity that exists for permanent job creation, and;

WHEREAS, as a result of ongoing negotiations on this project between Wright County and Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC, an Agreement for Private Development now exists between Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC and Wright County, Iowa; an Economic Development Assistance Contract between the Iowa Economic Development Authority, Wright County, and Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC has been executed; and a Waste Water Service Agreement has been executed between the Eagle Grove Utility Board and Prestage Foods of Iowa, and;

WHEREAS, the Agreement for Private Development states as follows: "If, despite the County's best efforts, the County is unable to obtain and/or maintain grant funding through the RISE Program for the

Road Improvements, Developer will negotiate with the County to seek alternative financing arrangements for the Road Improvements,” and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors concludes that an immediate RISE program commitment is necessary and essential for the project, due to the significant job creation within Wright County and the large economic opportunity that this project will generate in and around Wright County, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors assures 20% non-RISE financial participation in each roadway project. This participation may include cash, net present value of loan repayment, other federal aid, or design engineering services, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors assures that the roadway projects shall be completed in a timely manner before the pork processing facility opens for business, and;

WHEREAS, if this project is not funded using the RISE program, Wright County taxpayers will be solely responsible for improving and funding of the roadways necessary to accommodate the project. Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC, may also view this as a default under the Agreement for Private Development and not continue with the development project, and;

WHEREAS, the roadways involved will be a primary road, US Highway 17, and a secondary road, Wright County Road C56, both of which will continue to be dedicated to public use, and;

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Transportation will be the jurisdiction responsible for the primary road, US Highway 17, and Wright County will be the jurisdiction responsible for the secondary road, Wright County Road C56, and each roadway will be adequately maintained by the respective jurisdictions, and;

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to apply for RISE funding through the RISE: Immediate Opportunity Project Funding;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Wright in the State of Iowa do hereby approve this Resolution 2016-37 to endorse Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC, developing and creating jobs in the unincorporated portion of Wright County, Iowa, and to confirm the necessity of receiving RISE Immediate Opportunity funding for this development project with the assurance of a non-RISE financial participation of 20% for the roadway project.

ADOPTED this 27th day of December, 2016.

Members of the Wright County Fair Board came to the board to give an annual update. They are requesting to maintain the same level of funding from the county as in the past. This amount is \$26,500 and will be considered again at budget time.

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

Karl Helgevold, Chairman Pro-tem
Wright County Supervisors

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor