

December 15, 2014

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of December 8, 2014 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment

Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, presented Resolution 2014-20. There was a motion by Watne and seconded by Rasmussen to approve resolution 2014-20 to revise Wright County 2015 Five Year Road Program which will add 150th Street joint Belmond/Wright County paving project to the current accomplishment year. By roll call vote: Ayes – Watne and Rasmussen; nays – Helgevold. Resolution 2014-20 duly passes and is on file in the Auditor's office.

Peggy Schluttenhofer, Wright County Treasurer, presented a county held tax certificate. Motion by Watne and seconded by Rasmussen to approve the assigning over a county held tax certificate #2004-04502 a parcel #731453006 located in the City of Clarion for \$257.02 plus fees. Motion carries.

John Torbert, Executive Director of the Iowa Drainage District Association, gave his annual update on the IDDA projects. The IDDA Conference that was held in the first part of December was a big success. The association is really emphasizing programs for the nitrate reduction into water sources. Chairman Rasmussen reconvened the DD No. 39 hearing to discuss an agreement between the district and Kenneth Anderson. He then directed Drainage Attorney, David Johnson to proceed. Johnson explained that Kenneth Anderson was concerned about the tile hookup for the area of land that will be in Drainage District No. 39. He also stated that Anderson has a contractor lined up to install the private tile into Drainage District No. 23 as per the agreement. Johnson then suggested that the board have Eldon Rossow with MER Engineering go out and make a written report on what tile is actually present at the boundary. Johnson further suggested we table the hearing until mid-April to allow Anderson and Sebby to return from wintering in the south.

There was then a motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to reconvene this hearing on April 20, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors Room of the courthouse. Motion carries.

Discuss a private ditch crossing in DD #107. Deb Lukes, Drainage Deputy explained that a landowner/tenant had a concern regarding a private crossing in the northwest quarter of section 18, Norway Township. Lukes stated that the concern was that the secondary roads had improved the culverts along 110th Street, Hancock Avenue and 120th Street, therefore possibly causing more drainage water to flow through the existing 48" pipe under their private crossing, and could cause their private crossing to wash out. David Johnson explained that an adjoining landowner cannot force more water or make water drain faster onto another landowner. Therefore, if the County Secondary Roads has increased the flow of water by improving the culverts, they could be liable for any damages caused by those improvements. Johnson went on to say that the Board of Supervisors acting as Trustees for DD 107 cannot do a resolution for obstructing the flow of drainage water since it is unknown if there will be an obstruction. After further discussion, it was determined to wait and see if the improvements to the culverts on the secondary roads would have an adverse effect on Pogge's private crossing.

Reviewed the agreement for purchasing credits from the Iowa Agricultural Mitigation Bank. Motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to approve the purchase agreement from the Wetland Mitigation Bank for \$56,000 for 5.6 acres. Motion carries unanimously.

Received the Health Insurance rates from Iowa State Association of Counties. Wright County will see a 3.09% increase in insurance rate.

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

Rick Rasmussen, Chairman
Wright County Board of Supervisors

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor