

July 18, 2016

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of July 11, 2016 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve the Auditor's quarterly revenue report. Motion carries.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve an Agreement for placement of signage to regulate traffic during events at the Jenison-Meacham Art Center and Farm north of Belmond, IA. Motion carries.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Rasmussen for Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, to move ahead with hiring for a Heavy Equipment Operator out of the Bridge Shed. Motion carries.

The Board of Supervisor's recessed until 9:15 a.m. and moved to the courtroom to accommodate a large number of people attending the Public Hearing.

Chairman Watne called for reconvening the regular meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Chairman Watne announced that rules and procedures had been prepared for the upcoming public hearings regarding the proposed Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC pork processing plant. Accordingly, Supervisor Rasmussen moved the adoption of the following resolution entitled "Resolution to adopt public hearing rules and procedures for July 25, August 1, and August 8 and any and all public hearings relating to zoning ordinance amendments, zoning map revisions, development agreement, Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC, the pork processing plant, or third-party consultants where action is required for the Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC pork processing plant," and the motion was seconded by Helgevold.

Following due consideration, the Chairperson put the question on motion and the roll being called, the following named Supervisors voted: Ayes – Helgevold, Rasmussen, and Watne; Nays – none.

Whereupon, the Chairperson declared the resolution duly adopted, as follows:

Resolution No.: 2016-21

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PUBLIC HEARING RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR JULY 25, AUGUST 1, AUGUST 8, AND ANY AND ALL PUBLIC HEARINGS RELATING TO ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS, ZONING MAP REVISIONS, DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, PRESTAGE FOODS OF IOWA, LLC, THE PORK PROCESSING PLANT, OR THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANTS WHERE ACTION IS REQUIRED FOR THE PRESTAGE FOODS OF IOWA, LLC PORK PROCESSING PLANT

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors have the legal right under the State of Iowa Code 21.7 Rules of conduct at meetings; which states, "Nothing in this chapter shall prevent a government body from

making and enforcing reasonable rules for the conduct of its meetings to assure those meetings are orderly, and free from interference or interruption by spectators;” and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors determines that it is in the best interest to assure the Public Hearings established previously by the Board of Supervisors for the dates of July 25, August 1, and August 8 shall follow the below principles to allow for orderly and uninterrupted public comments to be made by those in attending said meetings and/or hearings; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors shall also utilize this Resolution 2016-21 for any and all Public Hearings at any date not mentioned above regarding zoning ordinance amendments, zoning map revisions, Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC, the proposed pork processing plant, or third-party consultants where action is required for the consideration of the Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC pork processing plant; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has determined that local residents will be the ones most heavily impacted by the possible development of a Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC, pork processing operation in Wright County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors shall adopt these Public Hearing Rules and Procedures as allowed by the Iowa Code.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Wright, Iowa, with respect to the meetings and/or public hearings described above, as follows:

Every attendee must sign-in on the Registration Form provided by the Board at least 30 minutes before the start of the regular Board of Supervisors’ meeting in order to be allowed to speak during the Public Discussion, entitled “Registered Speaker”; and,

Every Registered Speaker must provide a current residential address with appropriate proof of same at the time of sign-in; and,

Every Registered Speaker may speak for no longer than two (2) minutes; and,

The Public Discussion shall last approximately two (2) hours and no longer; and,

All Registered Speakers with a Wright County address will be allowed to speak prior to other Registered Speakers; and,

All Registered Speakers residing in counties that border Wright County may be allowed to speak second, time permitting; and,

All remaining Registered Speakers that reside in counties that do not border Wright County may be allowed to speak last, time permitting; and,

All Registered Speakers that did not get a chance to speak during the Public Discussion may write their comments down on the official Public Comment Form and such forms shall be added to the minutes; and,

There shall be NO interruptible interaction with attendees or Registered Speakers; and,

Registered Speakers and attendees shall be required to direct their comments to the Supervisors of Wright County at all times and shall be cordial at all times; and,

Registered Speakers shall address the Chair of the Board of Supervisors before beginning their public comments; and,

There shall be no outbursts, personal attacks, or interruption by attendees or Registered Speakers; and,

All legal, active organizations in attendance shall only have one (1) spokesperson speaking on such organizations' behalf; and,

Failure to abide by the above Public Hearing Rules & Procedures shall result in being removed from the Public Hearing. The decision for removal shall be at the sole discretion of the Chair of the Board of Supervisors; and,

The Board of Supervisors may take action to modify, amend, cancel, or otherwise change these provisions as described at any time; and,

The Board of Supervisors shall meet on the 25th day of July, 2016; the 1st day of August, 2016; the 8th day of August, 2016; and any other day that requires a Public Hearing on zoning ordinance amendments, zoning map revisions, development agreement, Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC, the pork processing plant, or third-party consultants where action is required for the Prestage Foods of Iowa, LLC pork processing plant, in the Wright County courthouse, at which time and place proceedings will be instituted and action taken and at which time and place any and all persons shall have an opportunity to be heard or have the opportunity to write comments in the minutes in favor of or in opposition.

Passed and approved July 18, 2016.

Held public hearing on Ordinance #50 on amendment to Zoning Ordinance for the unincorporated portion of Wright County. Many Wright County citizens voiced their opinions regarding the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. After discussion and consideration, Rasmussen moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance #50 and Helgevold seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and the following named Supervisors voted: Ayes – Helgevold, Rasmussen, and Watne; Nays – none. Motion carries.

Held public hearing on Ordinance #51 on amendment to provide for a change in zoning of real property from agriculture to industrial. Many Wright County citizens voiced their opinions regarding the amendment to Ordinance #51. After discussion and consideration, Helgevold moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance #51 and Rasmussen seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and the following named Supervisors voted: Ayes – Helgevold, Rasmussen, and Watne; Nays – none. Motion carries.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to enter into a Joint Urban Renewal Agreement with the City of Eagle Grove. Motion carries.

Jess Toliver, Superintendent for Eagle Grove Schools, gave an update on school enrollment and growth. He reassured the board that the Eagle Grove Community School would be able to adjust to new enrollment.

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

Stan Watne, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor