

June 19, 2017

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

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of June 12, 2017 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Harold Trask as citizen with property near Lake Cornelia voiced a concern about a pond on private property south of the lake. Clemons, County Engineer, gave a short description of what the secondary roads department is working on and how to resolve the issues involved.

Steve Soma with the Wright County Insurance Committee met with the board to give an update on the 2017-2018 ICAP and IMWCA renewal. Insurance cost for property/casualty will be down \$5,958.04 and the Workman Compensation will be down \$11,110.00. Total savings for 17-18 will be \$17,068.04.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to approve the ICAP and IMWCA insurance renewal for 2017-2018 as presented by the committee. Motion carries.

Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, presented Resolution 2017-22 on establishing a speed limit on Taylor Avenue between 120th Street and 130th Street located in Wright County. This is a gravel road north of Belmond. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to approve Resolution 2017-22. By roll call: Ayes- Helgevold and Watne; nays – none with Rasmussen absent. Motion carries. Resolution 2017-22 duly passes and reads as follows:

RESOLUTION 2017-22

ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMIT ON TAYLOR AVENUE BETWEEN 120TH STREET AND 130TH STREET LOCATED IN WRIGHT COUNTY, IOWA

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of Sections 321.255 and 321.285(4), of the Code of Iowa, to determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that the speed limit of any secondary road is greater than is reasonable and proper under the conditions existing, and may determine and declare a reasonable and proper speed limit, and

WHEREAS, a petition has been received by the Wright County Board of Supervisors from the adjacent residents on Taylor Ave.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Wright County Board of Supervisors that speed limit be established and appropriate signs erected at the locations described as follows:

**On Taylor Avenue between 120th Street and 130th Street located in Wright County, Iowa;
East & West Bound Traffic**

1. 40 MPH from the intersection of Taylor Ave. and 120th St. thence South to the intersection of Taylor Ave. and 130th St.

This Resolution shall be in effect when the signs have been erected

PASSED AND APPROVED this 19th day of June, 2017.

Clemons then presented Appendix "A" for the employee handbook that will cover the Secondary Roads employees. Areas covered in the appendix will be hours of work, overtime, compensatory time, longevity, personal protective equipment and supplemental pay. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to approve Appendix "A" and have it added to the employee handbook. Motion carries.

Bryce Davis introduced Sara Sheller, Marketing Specialist for Wright County. Her start date was June 12, 2017. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to appoint Sara Sheller to the Mid Iowa Development Association (MIDAS) Council of Governments Board as an alternate to Bryce Davis. Motion carries.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to appoint Sara Sheller as an alternate to the Mid Iowa Growth Partnership (MIPG) board as an alternate to Bryce Davis. Motion carries.

Courtney Stewart presented a release of mortgage for Pok a Dot Plumbing in Eagle Grove. Motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to approve the release of mortgage for Pok-a-Dot Plumbing and Welding and have the Chairman Pro-tem and auditor sign. Motion carries.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to approve the appointment of Liz Ennis to the Conservation Board for a 5-year term. Motion carries.

Motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance #54 which is an amendment to Ordinance #5 Planning and Zoning ordinance by adding Section 710.7 under Special Exceptions: Fertilizer distribution or production of. By roll call vote: Ayes – Helgevold and Watne with Rasmussen absent. Ordinance #54 duly passes and reads as follows:

Ordinance No. 54

An amendment to Ordinance #5 Wright County, Iowa

To provide for revisions governing development in agriculture zoned areas. The proposed regulations are intended to preserve agricultural resources from incompatible non agriculture uses.

The revision is an addition to **Article VII. "A" Agriculture Districts: Special Exceptions: adding Section 710.7 Fertilizer distribution or production of.**

Passed, approved, and duly adopted this 19th day of June, 2017

The Board then held the third and final reading of Ordinance #53. This ordinance is an amendment to Ordinance #47 which is the Floodplain Ordinance. This amendment to Section IV K is replaced. The proposed regulations are intended to protect life, health and property in floodplain areas and will govern uses permitted in mapped floodplains. Sandy McGrath, Planning and Zoning Coordinator, stated that there are no verbal or written comments filed. There was then a motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to approve the third reading of Ordinance #53 on an Amendment to Wright County, Iowa Floodplain Ordinance #47. By roll call vote: Ayes – Helgevold and Watne with Rasmussen absent. Ordinance #53 reads as follows:

Ordinance No. 53

Amendment to Wright County, Iowa FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE # 47

Floodplain zoning ordinance revisions that are required by state and federal law.

These revisions govern development in mapped floodplain areas. The proposed ordinance revisions are to Section IV K is replaced.

The proposed regulations are intended to protect life, health and property in floodplain areas and will govern uses permitted in mapped floodplains.

Accessory Structures to Residential Uses

1. Detached garages, sheds, and similar structures that are incidental to a residential use are exempt from the base flood elevation requirements where the following criteria are satisfied.
 - a. The structure shall be designed to have low flood damage potential. Its size shall not exceed 600 sq. ft. in size. Those portions of the structure located less than 1 foot above the BFE must be constructed of flood-resistant materials.

- b. The structure shall be used solely for low flood damage potential purposes such as vehicle parking and limited storage. The structure shall not be used for human habitation.
 - c. The structure shall be constructed and placed on the building site so as to offer minimum resistance to the flow of floodwaters.
 - d. The structure shall be firmly anchored to resist flotation, collapse and lateral movement.
 - e. The structure's service facilities such as electrical and heating equipment shall be elevated or flood proofed to at least one foot above the base flood elevation.
 - f. The structure's walls shall include openings that satisfy the provisions of Section IV (D) 1 of this Ordinance.
2. Exemption from the 100-year flood elevation requirements for such a structure may result in increased premium rates for flood insurance coverage of the structure and its contents.

Activities such as dredging, filling, excavating and construction of buildings are generally allowed, but may be restricted according to which flood zone the property is in.

Passed, approved and duly adopted this 19th day of June, 2017.

The Board then held the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 55. An Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the 2017 Addition to the 2016 Wright County Agribusiness Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to approve the final reading of Ordinance #55. By roll call vote: Ayes – Watne and Helgevold with Rasmussen absent. Ordinance #55 duly passes and reads as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 55

An Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the 2017 Addition to the 2016 Wright County Agribusiness Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Wright County, Iowa (the "County") previously enacted an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Providing For The Division Of Taxes Levied On Taxable Property In The 2016 Wright County Agribusiness Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that ordinance, certain taxable property within the 2016 Wright County Agribusiness Urban Renewal Area in the County was designated a "tax increment district"; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors now desires to increase the size of the "tax increment district" by adding additional property;

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of Wright County, Iowa:

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide for the division of taxes levied on the taxable property in the 2017 Addition to the 2016 Wright County Agribusiness Urban Renewal Area of the County, each year by and for the benefit of the state, city, county, school districts or other taxing districts after the effective date of this ordinance in order to create a special fund to pay the principal of and interest on loans, moneys advanced to or indebtedness, including bonds proposed to be issued by the County to finance projects in such Area.

Section 2. Definitions. For use within this ordinance the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"County" shall mean Wright County, Iowa.

"2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition" shall mean the 2017 Addition to the 2016 Wright County Agribusiness Urban Renewal Area of Wright County, Iowa, the legal description of which is set out below, approved by the Board of Supervisors by resolution adopted on the 5th day of June, 2017:

Certain real property situated in Wright County, Iowa more particularly described as follows:

Section 20, Township 90 North, Range 26 West of the 5th P.M., Wright County, Iowa, EXCEPT the North 399.4 feet of the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ thereof, And EXCEPT that part of the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ lying south of the center of Drainage Ditch No. 46; and

The Northwest ¼ of Section 21, Township 90 North, Range 26 West of the 5th P.M., Wright County, Iowa; and

The Northeast ¼ of the Northeast ¼ of Section 28, Township 90 North, Range 26 West of the 5th P.M., Wright County, Iowa.

“Urban Renewal Area” shall mean the entirety of the 2016 Wright County Agribusiness Urban Renewal Area as amended from time to time.

Section 3. Provisions for Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the 2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition. After the effective date of this ordinance, the taxes levied on the taxable property in the 2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition each year by and for the benefit of the State of Iowa, the County and any city, school district or other taxing district in which the 2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition is located, shall be divided as follows:

(a) that portion of the taxes which would be produced by the rate at which the tax is levied each year by or for each of the taxing districts upon the total sum of the assessed value of the taxable property in the 2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition, as shown on the assessment roll as of January 1 of the calendar year preceding the first calendar year in which the County certifies to the County Auditor the amount of loans, advances, indebtedness, or bonds payable from the special fund referred to in paragraph (b) below, shall be allocated to and when collected be paid into the fund for the respective taxing district as taxes by or for said taxing district into which all other property taxes are paid. For the purpose of allocating taxes levied by or for any taxing district which did not include the territory in the 2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition on the effective date of this ordinance, but to which the territory has been annexed or otherwise included after the effective date, the assessment roll applicable to property in the annexed territory as of January 1 of the calendar year preceding the effective date of the ordinance which amends the plan for the 2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition to include the annexed area, shall be used in determining the assessed valuation of the taxable property in the annexed area.

(b) that portion of the taxes each year in excess of such amounts shall be allocated to and when collected be paid into a special fund of the County to pay the principal of and interest on loans, moneys advanced to or indebtedness, whether funded, refunded, assumed or otherwise, including bonds issued under the authority of Section 403.9(1), of the Code of Iowa, incurred by the County to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, projects in the Urban Renewal Area , and to provide assistance for low and moderate-income family housing as provided in Section 403.22, except that taxes for the regular and voter-approved physical plant and equipment levy of a school district imposed pursuant to Section 298.2 of the Code of Iowa, taxes for the instructional support program levy of a school district imposed pursuant to Section 257.19 of the Code of Iowa and taxes for the payment of bonds and interest of each taxing district shall be collected against all taxable property within the taxing district without limitation by the provisions of this ordinance. Unless and until the total assessed valuation of the taxable property in the 2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition exceeds the total assessed value of the taxable property in such area as shown by the assessment roll referred to in subsection (a) of this section, all of the taxes levied and collected upon the taxable property in the 2017 Urban Renewal Area Addition shall be paid into the funds for the respective taxing districts as taxes by or for said taxing districts in the same manner as all other property taxes. When such loans, advances, indebtedness, and bonds, if any, and interest thereon, have been paid, all money thereafter received from taxes upon the taxable property in the Urban Renewal Area Addition shall be paid into the funds for the respective taxing districts in the same manner as taxes on all other property.

(c) the portion of taxes mentioned in subsection (b) of this section and the special fund into which that portion shall be paid may be irrevocably pledged by the County for the payment of the principal and interest on loans, advances, bonds issued under the authority of Section 403.9(1) of the Code of Iowa, or indebtedness incurred by the County to finance or refinance in whole or in part projects in the Urban Renewal Area.

(d) as used in this section, the word “taxes” includes, but is not limited to, all levies on an ad valorem basis upon land or real property.

Section 4. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Saving Clause. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to approve the fireworks permits for 4 G’s Pyrotechnics for on the north shore of Lake Cornelia and on 1582 Ida Ave. Motion carries.

Melinda Anderson with Ennis Trucking would like to request the use of the Courthouse parking lot on Sunday, July 23rd from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. This is for the celebration of Ennis Trucking 50 years in Clarion. This was approved by the board of supervisors.

Watne appointed Rasmussen and Helgevold to count cash on July 3rd for the end of year. Motion carries unanimously.

Alex Rothman, County Employee and Mark Hubbard, Union Representative met with the board to discuss a personnel issue. Adam Clemons requested that the board go into closed session concerning Iowa Code section 21.5 (i). Motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to go into closed session at 10:30 a.m. Motion carries.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to go back into open session at 10:55 a.m. Motion carries. No action taken in open session.

Shari Plagge, Adam Clemons, Jason Schluttenhofer, and Peggy Schluttenhofer met with the board to discuss applicants for the IT Director for Wright County. The two applicants that are being considered have submitted a letter to request a closed session so that their names will not be submitted at this time in the open minutes. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to go into closed session at 11:00 a.m. following Iowa Code section 21.5(i). Motion carries unanimously.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to move back into open session at 11:25 a.m. Motion by Watne and seconded by Helgevold to approve the Technology Committee to offer the position to the candidate pending all background checks and post offer pre-employment testing. Motion carries. Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Watne to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

Stan Watne, Chairman Pro-tem
Wright County Board of Supervisor

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor