

BOARD PROCEEDINGS

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Wright County Board of Supervisors August 15, 2022

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

Minutes from the previous regular meeting of August 15, 2022 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, gave an update on the secondary roads. There were 16 work orders completed last week. The crews are still working on rock dusting as part of the granular program. Nathan McVey, Road Superintendent, updated the board on the 200th Street Rehab after a Utility Company did some work in that area. McVey had pictures of the process step by step of what they did to rebuild the road.

Clemons then gave the safety committee update. Discussion was held on the Certificate of Insurance minimum requirements for work in the right of way and/or drainage districts. In working with the Insurance Agent, they will come up with new requirements for local farmers that wish to work on their driveways or ditch. Also discussed during the last safety meeting were the employee ID's and also the courthouse doors that need to remain locked and panic alarms.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Kluss to approve the contribution of \$1,500 paid to the Belmond Area Arts Council to help with dust control during the Antique Power Show. Motion carries.

Darrel Steven Carlyle, Wright County Economic Development Director, presented Resolution #2022-34 stating a merger of Wright County into the Iowa Finance Authority Certification of the Heart of Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Kluss to approve Resolution 2022-34. By roll call vote: Ayes: Kluss, Helgevold, and Rasmussen; nays – none. Resolution 2022-34 duly passes and reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-34
A RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE OF MERGER OF WRIGHT COUNTY INTO THE IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY CERTI-**

FICATION OF THE HEART OF IOWA REGIONAL HOUSING TRUST FUND

WHEREAS, Webster and Hamilton Counties have created the Heart of Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund (HIRHTF), and it is an established Local Housing Trust Fund (LHTF) whose general mission and purpose is to address the affordable housing needs within the region through coordination and long-term planning; and,

WHEREAS, it is important for the area's communities and counties to collaborate to address this issue; and,

WHEREAS, Homeward, Inc. will no longer serve as an established LHTF for Calhoun, Humboldt, Pocahontas, and Wright Counties upon completion of the 2022 funding year; and,

WHEREAS, joining a LHTF, that is certified by the Iowa Finance Authority to receive funding, would allow the displaced counties to continue to assist families under the State Housing Trust Fund; and,

WHEREAS, beginning January of 2023, the State Housing Trust Fund dollars will be administered by HIRHTF under the direction of its Board of Directors, and HIRHTF staff will provide day-to-day management that targets the needs of the residents of the respective counties.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Wright County hereby agree to the merger with HIRHTF and their existing certification as an Iowa Finance Authority funded agency, as related to the State Housing Trust Fund.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of August, 2022.

Motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevold to appoint Dana Wendal to the Heart of Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund. Motion carries.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve the contribution of \$5,000 to the Heart of Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund. Motion carries.

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

*Rick Rasmussen, Chairman
Wright County*

Board of Supervisors

Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor