



PUBLIC NOTICE Probate

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. ESPR017221 THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WRIGHT COUNTY...

against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice...

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Public Notice Wright County Supervisors

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

Approved claims for payment. In open forum for public input there were 19+ people present on zoom and several people came in person concerning the County Public Health going to decertify and become a community based provider in Wright County.

Alice Rector spoke concerning about the County Public Health department decertifying in the County. She is disappointed about the lack of transparency of the decision to decertify.

Steve Seby spoke on behalf of the care he has received from the County Public Health department. He also wished that the Board of Supervisors and Board of Health reconsider the decision.

Wayne Judkins with CFR presented a proclamation on September being National Recovery Month. Supervisor Kluss read the proclamation. The proclamation wishes to make everyone aware of the preventive measures of mental and/or substance use disorders works, that treatment is effective, and recovery is vital to the well-being of the individual and the community.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevoid to move forward with the special assessment for ReNewTrients as per the Development Agreement in assistance for paying for the 275th Street upgrade project. Motion carries.

Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, presented Resolution 2020-33 on Bridge Embargo. Motion by Helgevoid and seconded by Rasmussen to approve Resolution 2020-33 on making bridges that have been embargoed to legal. By roll call vote: Ayes - Helgevoid, Rasmussen, and Kluss; nays - none. Resolution 2020-33 duly passes and reads as follows: RESOLUTION #2020-33 Bridge Embargo

WHEREAS: The Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of Sections 321.236 Sub. (8), 321.255 and 321.471 to 321.473 to prohibit the operation of vehicles or impose limitations as to the weight thereof on designated highways or highway structures under their jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS: The Wright County Engineer has caused to be completed the Structure Inventory and Appraisal of certain Wright County bridges in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and it has been determined that an adjustment of the bridges load restrictions is needed to allow for correct operating stresses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Wright County Board of Supervisors that:

FWHA No. 356691 (Local Bridge #10) on 290th Street over DD 76 in between Sections 6 and 7, T-90N, R-24W, Wall Lake Township and is now posted as legal.

FWHA No. 356741 (Local Bridge #12) on Nelson Avenue over Buck Creek in between Sections 29 and 30, T-90N, R-24W, Wall Lake Township and is now posted as legal.

FWHA No. 357890 (Local Bridge #94) on 255th Street over DD 3 in between Section 17, T-90N, R-24W, Eagle Grove Township and is now posted as legal.

FWHA No. 358090 (Local Bridge #110) on Youngblood Avenue over DD 4-118 in between Sections 23 and 24, T-92N, R-23W, Iowa Township and is now posted as legal.

FWHA No. 358120 (Local Bridge #125) on 185th Street over White Fox Creek in between Sections 6 and 7, T-90N, R-24W, Wall Lake Township and is now posted as legal.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Wright county Board of Supervisors that: Resolution 2020-20 be amended to reflect above changes in Bridge Postings Passed and approved this 31st day of August, 2020.

Clemons then presented the Iowa Department of Transportation Pre-construction Agreement for Primary Road

project. This project will be asphalt resurfacing on Hwy 17 from Hamilton County line to the South City Limits of Eagle Grove. This agreement is to allow run out onto the county gravel roads of an estimated cost of \$117,600 spread over three years. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevoid to approve the Iowa Department of Transportation Preconstruction Agreement (2021-C-018) for Primary Road Project on Hwy 17. Motion carries unanimously.

Clemons then gave update on roads. Motion by Helgevoid and seconded by Rasmussen to approve amendment to tax statements order #1186 on 9 parcels for error on land values. Motion carries. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevoid to approve the abatement order #1187 on 2 parcels for error on land values. Motion carries.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Kluss to approve the abatement order #1188 on missed military and homestead credit. Motion carries.

Reviewed Resolution 2020-32 on requesting reimbursement from the Iowa COVID-19 Government Relief Fund in the amount of \$159,261.13. Motion by Kluss and seconded by Helgevoid to approve Resolution 2020-32. By roll call vote: Ayes - Rasmussen, Kluss, and Helgevoid; nays - none. Resolution 2020-32 duly passes and reads as follows: RESOLUTION 2020-32 REQUESTING REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE IOWA COVID-19 GOVERNMENT RELIEF FUND

A resolution by Wright County to request reimbursement for eligible costs related to the COVID-19 public health emergency from the Iowa COVID-19 Government Relief Fund.

WHEREAS, the United States Congress approved the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to provide economic relief related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

WHEREAS, Governor Kim Reynolds allocated \$125 million of the State of Iowa's CARES Act funding to local governments for direct expenses incurred in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

WHEREAS, local government funding reimbursements may only be used for necessary expenditures incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic, were not accounted for in the current fiscal year county budget, were incurred during the time period of March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020 and have not been reimbursed from other sources.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Wright County requests reimbursement of \$159,261.13 in eligible expenditures in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Wright County affirms that the above requests for reimbursement follow all formal published Federal and State of Iowa guidance on how the funds should be spent, and understand if the reimbursements are misrepresented, the local government will be liable for any applicable penalty and interest.

HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors for Wright County on this 31st day of August, 2020.

Stewart presented a Letter of Recommendation and Award for Drainage District No. 107 Main Open Ditch Repairs from McClure Engineering Fort Dodge, IA 50501. Supervisor Kluss read the letter from McClure Engineering on the review of the bid tab from DD#107 bid letting from last week. There was then a motion by Rick Rasmussen and seconded by Karl Helgevoid to accept the bid from Reutzler Excavating, Inc. of Burt, IA in the amount of \$413,297.00. Motion carries.

Motion by Helgevoid and seconded by Rasmussen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries. Dean Kluss, Chairman Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor Wright County Board of Supervisors

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EG Dress Up Days

Pictured at left: What high school kid wouldn't like to come to school in their pajamas every day? That's why every year for the past several years PJ Day has been a part of Homecoming Dress Up Days. Pictured from left, dressing up on Monday, Sept. 14 were Brooklyn Osborn, Cadence Kaiser, and Emalee Sisneros.

Photo by Les Houser

Eagle Grove Eagle Newspaper ad and copy Deadline is Fridays at Noon!

PUBLIC NOTICE Wright County Supervisors

SEPTEMBER 2, 2020

Supervisor Kluss called the special meeting of the Wright County Board of Supervisors to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present were Rasmussen, Kluss, and Helgevoid.

Chairman Kluss turned over the meeting to Supervisor Rick Rasmussen for the discussion of the installation of fiber to the Agribusiness Park as Kluss serves on Board of Directors for Woolstock Mutual Telephone.

Rasmussen asked Cindy Litwiller to update the board on the information she has collected concerning both the fiber installation by Woolstock Mutual Telephone and natural gas with Black Hills Energy. Maps were provided by both companies as to where the lines will be run.

Motion by Helgevoid and seconded by Rasmussen to approve the installation of fiber to the Agribusiness Park by Woolstock Mutual Telephone for the cost of \$10,368.96. By roll call vote: Ayes - Rasmussen and Helgevoid; nays - none with Kluss abstaining from the vote. Motion carries.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevoid to approve the installation of gas line by Black Hills Energy to the Agribusiness Park. Motion carried. Although the estimated cost will be \$56,000 they have agreed to install at no cost to Wright County.

Rasmussen then gave the chairmanship back to Supervisor Kluss. Motion by Helgevoid and seconded by Rasmussen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries.

Dean Kluss, Chairman Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor Wright County Board of Supervisor

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PUBLIC NOTICE City of Eagle Grove

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF EAGLE GROVE SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2020-01

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EAGLE GROVE, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO STANDARD PENALTY. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAGLE GROVE, IOWA, that on September 08, 2020, the City Council of the City of Eagle Grove, Iowa passed the aforementioned ordinance and a summary is as follows: SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 1.14 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eagle Grove, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof: 1.14 STANDARD PENALTY. Unless another penalty is expressly provided by this Code of Ordinances for violation of any particular provision, section, or chapter, any person failing to perform a duty required by this Code of Ordinances or otherwise violating any provision of this Code of Ordinances or any rule or regulation adopted herein by reference shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of at least \$105.00 but not to exceed \$855.00. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 364[2] and 903.1[1a]) SECTION 2: SEVERABILITY 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 3: WHEN EFFECTIVE: This Ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law. By the Order of the City Council of the City of Eagle Grove. Bryce Davis, City Clerk

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Insurance can regulate risk

I saw this story about the fires out West. The governor of Oregon says that "situations have been dire enough to make even firefighters re-treat."

This gives the impression that firemen are superheroes. They are people. The first thing we learned in fire class in the Hansell was, "Who is the most important person on the scene of a fire?"

The answer is, "You!" A fireman is no good to anyone dead.

My experiences with forest fires are limited. Once, as some friends and I were salvaging materials from a microwave relay tower on a mountaintop, we saw smoke coming up from down the hill a ways. We went down there with shovels and Pulaskis and found three fires, each about the size of a pickup. The duff (organic material) was about a foot deep over the rocky soil. It was obvious we needed help. One of us ran up the hill and drove the pickup down to a phone.

Before long a couple of Forest Service guys showed up to put on their gloves and tell us we would get paid for our work.

That "even firefighters" thing is haunting me. It reminds me of the old story of the fire department coming to get a cat down out of a tree. We are constantly bombarded with the notion we have to call an authority or expert because we lack the ability to think.

Any disaster soon leads to a call for help from the state; then the federal government because the states can't print money. Republicans preach and brag about limited government and then stick their hands out just like the dreaded socialists.



THE ALTERNATIVE Fritz Groszkruger

The process of government help in disasters has got to be the most wasteful thing since war.

Remember the story of the truckload of ice? On September 2, 2005 Mark Kostinec loaded his truck with 20 tons of ice in Pennsylvania to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. On September 17 (Constitution Day, haha.) and 4,100 miles later he unloaded it in Fremont, Nebraska. His truck was burn-ing fuel the whole time to keep the ice frozen.

We do have to share risk in order that individual circumstances don't ruin us. It's the civilized thing to do.

How this is accomplished has increasingly been delegated to taxpayers by an elite class who knows how to game the system. The lobbyists convince the tools in Congress that the uninsurable need the taxpayers to step in. But they are uninsurable for a reason.

Private insurance is the ultimate filter of financial plans. Private insurance companies study the amount of risk and charge a premium commensurate of it. The pre-miums for house insurance in a flood plain would make it too expensive to build there.

The same would hold true for a house surrounded by brush

in California. I imagine PG&E's decision to invest in green energy instead of main-taining safe infrastructure was partially influenced by the massive government safety net (along with bankruptcy and corporate structure laws).

Why, if I choose to live in a safe place, should I pay to rebuild a foolish person's house? This isn't just a selfish opinion. To replace government disaster aid with private insurance would benefit everyone. The brushy hills of California and the marshes around Houston could be left as wildlife habitat to be visited by tourists.

Less risky lifestyles and business decisions would be promoted by individual relationships with insurance companies if taxpayers didn't furnish a safety net.

Overweight smokers would have incentive to discard bad habits. People who want to live in arid brushlands would keep an area cleared of fuel around their houses. Insurance wouldn't just regulate these extreme examples. How buildings are built and minor lifestyle choices can make a big impact on survivability in weather and health events.

It's time to get the government out of the insurance business. From crop insurance to health insurance, taxpayer funding promotes bad decisions. Firemen know when to retreat. We are people just like them.

Any responses to The Alternative may be sent as a letter to the editor or to Fritz's email address 4selfgovernment@gmail.com. His blog, www.alternativebyfritz.com, is now being updated regularly. It's diverse, like the universities claim to be.

PUBLIC NOTICE Wright County August Claims

Table with 2 columns: Claim Name and Amount. Includes August 2020 Claims General Basic Fund and Wright County August Claims. Total amount listed as \$817,113.09.

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