

BOARD PROCEEDINGS

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

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Rasmussen to approve the tentative agenda. Motion carries.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting of April 17, 2023 were read and approved.

Approved claims for payment.

In open forum, Mark Hill asked if there is any work being done on old maintenance building roof, currently the bridge shed north of the Sheriff's Office. Clemons is waiting on a quote and will look into that further.

Kluss talked about the notice that was received from MidAmerican Energy. There will be a long-range transmission line project going through the southern portion of the County. This will replace the wood pole structures with steel, which are more resilient against extreme weather. MidAmerican Energy is seeking addition right-of-way for this project. There will be a public meeting held on June 1st at 10:00 a.m. at the Rails Depot Event Center in Eagle Grove.

Motion by Helgevold and seconded by Rasmussen to approve Resolution 2023-21 to adopt the 2023-2024 Wright County Budget. By roll call vote: Ayes – Kluss, Rasmussen, and Helgevold; nays – none. Resolution 2023-21 duly passes and reads as follows:

Resolution 2023-21

Resolution for the Adoption of Budget and Certification of Taxes for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 per IA Code 331.434(5).

WHEREAS, IA Code 331.434(5) requires that after a budget hearing, the Wright County Board of Supervisors shall adopt by resolution a budget and certificate of taxes, and;

WHEREAS, the Wright County Board of Supervisors has met the budget publication requirements in IA Code 331.434(3) through publication in all three official newspapers in the county, and;

WHEREAS, the Wright County Board of Supervisors has met the budget hearing requirements in IA Code 331.434(3) and 331.434(4) through the public hearing held on April 10, 2023 at 9:30 A.M.;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on the 24th day of April 2023, that the Wright County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts by resolution the attached Adoption of Budget and Certification of Taxes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of April, 2023.

Motion by Rasmussen and seconded Kluss to appoint Eric Rector, Wright County Conservation Director, to work on Water Quality Initiatives on the Wright County Farm located in Section 5, Lincoln Township and to have Kluss sign the letter. Motion carries.

Adam Clemons, Wright County Engineer, presented Resolution 2023-20. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to approve Resolution 2023-20 an adjustment to specific bridge embargoes. By roll call vote: Ayes – Kluss,

Rasmussen, and Helgevold; nays – none. Resolution 2023-20 duly passes and reads as follows:

RESOLUTION 2023-20

ADJUSTMENT TO SPECIFIC BRIDGE EMBARGOES

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:

FHWA No. 357331 (Local Bridge #52) on Union Ave. over Wheeler Creek in Section 16, T-91N, R-23W, Blaine Township is now posted as six (6) tons and "One Lane"

FHWA No. 358430 (Local Bridge #138) on 190th Street over Little Eagle Creek in Section 24, T-92N, R-25W, Lake Township is now posted as 15 tons, 25 tons, 25 tons and "All Vehicles"

FHWA No. 358420 (Local Bridge #144) on Keokuk Ave. over Little Eagle Creek in Section 35, T-92N, R-25W, Lake Township is now posted as 14 tons, 24 tons, 24 tons and "All Vehicles"

FHWA No. 358725 (Local Bridge #157A) on Taylor Ave. over Luicks Creek in Section 31, T-93N, R-23W, Pleasant Township is now posted as six (6) tons

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

Resolution 2021-18 be amended to reflect above changes in Bridge Postings

Passed and approved this 24th day of April 2023.

Clemons gave an update on the Secondary Roads. There were 7 work orders completed last week. Blades are prepping and leveling the engineer miles as they are being hauled. There are 49 out of the 56 segments hauled for the engineer miles making that 87.5% complete. Crews will be doing a shoulder rehab/reclaim on 310th Street, east of HWY 69. Clemons is working with Centrum Valley on a detour during that process.

The Handbook Committee presented the revised handbook to the Supervisors. Adam Clemons, Peggy Schluttenhofer, and Deb Lukes went over the highlight sheet discussing the changes that are being made. Motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Helgevold to accept the changes to the employee handbook and set the effective date of July 1, 2023. Motion carries. Clemons will prepare letter for Kluss to sign and send notification to the Deputies and Jailers Union as per current contract language.

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

Dean Kluss, Chairman

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Betty Ellis, Wright County Auditor