

**WELLS COUNTY PUBLIC HEARING
WELLS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
June 26, 2026**

The Wells County Planning Commission met in a public hearing on Thursday, June 25, 2026 in the KTL Meeting Room at 7:00 pm, with the following members present: Chairman Stan Buxa, Vice-Chairman Danny Maxwell, Warren Strand, Faye Schimelfenig, Chad Ziegler, Jon Polries, Daniel Stutlien and Robert Martin. Members absent were Joey Allmaras. Others Present was Jana Mogren, A.J. Neal, Lydia Gessele, Nathan Hart, and Leann and Jeff Shafer.

Chairman Stan Buxa called the meeting to order.

Discussion began with questions to LTS Telecommunications Services {USA} Inc. representative A.J. Neal. A.J. Neal explained that the fiber optics line will go from Omaha Nebraska to the Canadian Border. The reason they are jogging of State Highway 52 is due to levies that make it hard to get around. They will dig down roughly 42 inches and place a pipe approximately 2.5 inches in diameter. They will directionally drill under roads and driveways. A "One Call" call will be done prior to the installation of the line which will be placed in the County Highway Right-of-way with the Right-of-way being restored to what it was or better than. The project is expected to begin in late summer or early fall.

Jon Polries motioned to recommend to approve the Conditional Use Permit for LTS Telecommunications. Faye Schimelfenig seconded the motion. Stan Buxa called for a vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The Wells County Commission will vote on the Conditional Use Permit at the regular meeting on July 7, 2026.

Stan Buxa adjourned the meeting
Meeting adjourned.