

## **Chase County's USDA moved into new offices last week**

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**By Russ Pankonin**

### **The Imperial Republican**

The move is complete. Chase County's USDA (U.S. Dept. of Agriculture) offices can now be found in their new home at 706 East 5th in Imperial.

Moving crews began the moving process last Monday morning and by last Tuesday afternoon, the former office at 1412 Broadway had been emptied out. The USDA has been located there since 1987.

Construction of the new building began last fall. It will provide 4,800 square feet of leased office space for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

The facility provides equal space for the two agencies, with a conference room, break room and mail room shared by the two. The FSA office is located on the east side of the building with the NRCS on the west side.

Teri Moss, FSA county executive director, and Nadine Bishop, NRCS district conservationist, both said their staffs are excited about the new facility.

The office provides space for five FSA employees and seven NRCS employees.

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"This new space will work out great," Bishop said last week after the move.

Open house planned March 15

Moss said they are planning an open house March 15 for people to come in and see their new home.

The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with refreshments being served.

The building is owned by a limited liability corporation, Brofixley, LLC.

Members include Scott and Bill Brophy and John Paisley of Imperial, and Pete Brophy and Duard Fix of Wray, Colo.

C&S Construction of Grant served as the general contractor for the project.

### **Moss new CED at Grant**

Moss' stint in the new office in Imperial will be short-lived.

She has accepted the CED position at the Perkins County office in Grant, effective Feb. 26.

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She said she will be working in both offices for the time being. She said the move to the Grant office will get her closer to her hometown of Oshkosh.

During her tenure here, she has been living in Grant and commuting to Imperial.

She said the CED position for Chase County is being advertised and she expects it to be filled soon.