

Election Center  
Emmetsburg, Iowa  
November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015; 1:00 p.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met as Trustees of Drainage District No. 28. Members present: Craig Merrill, Chair; Linus Solberg, Ron Graettinger, Keith Wirtz and Ed Noonan. Present: Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney; Don Etler, P.E. Bolton & Menk; Jon Rosengren, Bolton & Menk; Amber Enger, Auditor's Office.

Unless otherwise indicated, all of the motions offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote: Ayes: Noonan, Wirtz, Graettinger, Solberg, Merrill. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.

Present: Stewart Ohrtman, Bob Downing, Darol & Alice Ann Underwood, Jamie Moser, Arnie Heng, Daryl Luke, Janis Thompson, Wade Lundgren, Jay Borchardt, Roger Tonderum, Mary Lynn Tonderum, Diane Cattrysse, Ray Ohrtman, Diane Ohrtman Guess, Arden Twaiten, Tim Twaiten, Lois Quam, Dori Quam, Dan Norland, Joel Zwiefel, Steve Berkland, Lynn Feddersen, Kent Kiburz, Myron Bruhn.

Craig Merrill, Board Chairman, opened the continued hearing on improvements to Drainage District No. 28 at 1:00 p.m.

Carmen Moser, Auditor, read the names of landowners who had filed an objection after the August 25<sup>th</sup> hearing date. Objections were filed by the following: Daryl Luke; Scott Thompson representing the Monte Thompson Estate; Martha Andersen, Leo H. Brownlee Farms Inc., Claire Carlson Rev Trust, May Morling Trust etal, by Craig S. Brownlee, Agent; Melvin Larry Norland; Lois Quam; Rose Smith, Vernon Smith.

Jim Hudson, Attorney, explained to landowners the process for filing objections and landowner rights to change or modify objections until a final decision is made by the Board.

Don Etler presented the Amendment No. 1 to the Engineer's report for Drainage District No. 28. The hearing was continued to allow NRCS more time to review wetlands and for the engineer to look at extending the ditch downstream. Don explained the amendment to the engineer's report including alternative A open ditch improvement downstream extension and downstream effects from the proposed improvements. Five landowners are still waiting for NRCS to acknowledge errors and provide them with new determinations.

Information is still needed from the NRCS regarding wetland determinations and information from Corps of Engineers is needed.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Noonan to continue the hearing on Drainage District No. 28 to January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. at the Election Center. Motion Carried.

Carmen Moser, Auditor