

August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 1:00 p.m.  
Election Center, Emmetsburg, Iowa

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met as Trustees of Drainage District 61 Lateral B. Members present: Craig Merrill, Chair; Linus Solberg, Ron Graettinger, Keith Wirtz, Ed Noonan. Present: James Hudson, Drainage Attorney; Rick Hopper, Engineer; Amber Enger, Auditor's Office.

Present: Jim Crawford, Rex Crawford, Bonnie Anliker, Esty Forgarty, Georgia Elbert, Bruce Bonnsetter, Troy Hall, James L. Miller, Pat Fogarty, Duane Metzger, Fred Wirtz Jr., Joseph Fehr, Mark Fehr, Eli Wirtz, Larry Fehr, Leonard Anliker, Larry Fogarty, Robert Fehr, John Fehr, Karl Fehr, Aletha King, Bill Bramley, Debbie Walsh, Ron Girres, Jay Bargman, Doug Miller, Byron Anliker, Jurgens, Inc by Rick Dodds, Dean Gronemeyer.

Craig Merrill called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. for the Hearing on Improvements to Drainage District 61 Lateral B. Hudson reviewed and explained drainage district projects & procedures in detail and answered questions.

Rick Hopper presented the preliminary engineering report for improvements to Drainage District 61 Lateral B.

Estimated cost for tile with ½" drainage coefficient is \$3,340,945.00

Estimated cost for an open ditch with 2" drainage coefficient is \$1,585,358.00

An option to run a new 30" parallel tile and restore the waterway was estimated at \$1,583,274 with less than 1/8" drainage coefficient.

Hudson read all objections and landowners were given opportunity to comment and ask questions. Objections were filed by the following: ABCD3J Trust Aletha King trustee, Bonnie M. Anliker, John Banwart, Jay L. Bargman, Julie Bargman, Melva M. Bargman Revocable Trust, Luan Montag, Tara Thompson, Bruce B. Bonnsetter, James V. & Marguerite Bramley, Jim B. Crawford, Rex Crawford Revocable Trust, Mark Crawford, Jon Crawford, Jim, Jayne Schaffer, Georgia Elbert, Janet J. Fehr Living Trust, G. Esteleen Fogarty, Lawrence & Karen Ann Fogarty, Pat & Christine Fogarty, Troy & Melissa Hall, Viola Jackson Trust by Rex Kyle for Bank of the Ozarks, Jurgens Inc, Viola M. Krough by Dan Zeigler, John Mertz, David Meyer, Debra S. Meyer Revocable Trust, Terry L. Meyer Revocable Trust, James L. & Linda R. Miller, Ron Girres, Tony Girres, Dave Girres, F&H Wirtz Family Farms LLC, Larry Fehr.

Hudson informed the Board and landowners that a review of the acres found several parcels as being a part of the district but were not part of the assessment schedule. Will need to be reviewed by the engineer.

Hudson recommended that the Board hire a certified farm appraiser to determine amount of severance pay to landowners and more information is needed on wetlands. Determination of remonstrance will need to be reviewed by the Auditor & Engineer. Hudson recommended continuing the hearing for those reasons.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded Solberg to continue the hearing on Drainage District 61 Lateral B to November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at 1 p.m. at the Election Center. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Noonan to adjourn at 3:15 p.m. Motion Carried.

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Craig Merrill, Chair

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Carmen Moser, Auditor