

Courthouse
Emmetsburg Iowa
August 4th, 2015, 8:00 a.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Members present: Craig Merrill, Chair; Linus Solberg, Ron Graettinger, Keith Wirtz and Ed Noonan. Present: Peter Hart, County Attorney; Debbie Walsh.

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.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Wirtz to approve the agenda for August 4th, 2015. Motion carried.

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Wirtz to approve the minutes of July 28th, 2015. Motion carried.

Lois Naig, County Assessor, met with the Board and presented homestead & military applications to be removed and the applications to be added for 2015.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Noonan to approve the homestead & military applications for 2015. Motion carried.

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Wirtz to disallow a military application on parcel #6000001011020. Motion carried.

Maureen Sandberg, CPC, met with the Board and informed them that the Social Services Block Grant money had been received. The Board consensus was to continue making quarterly payments to the region. Maureen informed the Board that she will be retiring at the end of the year on December 31, 2015.

Lynn Schultes, County Sheriff, met with the Board to request hiring one full-time jailer and one full-time dispatcher. Lynn reviewed the list of duties required by Iowa Code for operation of the jail and the difficulty of having part-time staff to fill night and weekend shifts. In 4 years, they have trained 14 jailers and 11 dispatchers who have left to take full-time jobs at other places.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Wirtz to approve hiring one full-time position and to allow the County Sheriff to decide in which department. Ayes: Wirtz, Graettinger, Solberg, Merrill. Nays: Noonan. Motion Carried.

Lynn discussed with the Board to increase the room & board rates for work release inmates. Per Iowa Code the rate is to be set by the Board of Supervisors. Lynn requested to increase the rate from \$35 to \$50 per day for work release inmates. The Board consensus was to leave the rate the same.

Cliff Christensen, Veteran's Affairs Director, met with the Board and gave a presentation on the duties & services provided by the Veteran's Affairs office.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Noonan to approve the Veteran's Affairs report for claims paid for August 3rd, 2015. Motion Carried.

Joe Neary, Zoning, and Mike Myer met with the Board. Mike Myer asked the Board to consider a request to waive the 14 day waiting period following the issuance of a draft permit by Iowa DNR. The site was approved on June 30th, 2015, in Booth Township, Section 1.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Graettinger to introduce and approve the following Resolution. Ayes: Noonan, Wirtz, Graettinger, Solberg Merrill. Nays: None. Resolution carried.

RESOLUTION
Palo Alto County of Supervisors
August 4, 2015

**APPROVAL OF WAIVER OF PALO ALTO COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPEAL
ISSUANCE OF FINAL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF
CONFINED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION BY THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES.**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors has received notice from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that Mike Myer has been issued a draft permit for the construction of a confined animal feeding operation building(s) at Booth Township, Section 1 in unincorporated Palo Alto County.

Section 2. The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors reviewed the construction permit application and the manure management plan and determined that both appeared to be in compliance with the requirements of the Master Matrix, Iowa Code Section 459 and Iowa DNR rules and recommended approval of said application on June 30th, 2015.

Section 3. The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors hereby waives its right to appeal the issuance of the final permit within the fourteen (14) day limit from the time of notice of the issuance of the draft permit.

Section 4. The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors encourages the Iowa DNR to issue the Final Permit immediately upon notification of this waiver.

Section 5. The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Board Chairman to notify the Iowa DNR of this waiver.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**/s/Craig Merrill
Craig Merrill, Chairperson**

Attest:

**/s/ Carmen Moser
Carmen Moser, Auditor**

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc Inc., met with the Board and presented Iowa Mitigation Bank Agreements for Drainage Districts 29 & 7. The agreements contained a misspelled landowner name and Rick has contacted the manager to make the correction.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Noonan to approve mitigation bank agreements on Drainage Districts 29 & 7 and to authorize the Board Chairman to sign corrected agreements when received. Motion Carried.

At 10:00, the Board of Supervisors held a continued hearing on the proposed improvements to Drainage District 7 Lateral 2 Tile. Present: Brent Klaahsen, Dean Gronemeyer, Debbie Walsh, Dan Chism, Ron Hoffman, Neal Williamson, Clayton Helgesen; Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc Inc., Amber Enger, Auditor's Office.

Rick Hopper reviewed the engineer's report and gave update on wetlands. Estimated Cost for ½" drainage coefficient is \$63,288; Estimated Cost for 1" drainage coefficient is \$111,592; estimated cost for replacing 18" tile is \$45,000 to \$50,000. The Board would like more information and a ruling on the Iowa Lakes Community College wetland area.

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Solberg to continue the hearing on Drainage District 7 Lateral 2 Tile for Tuesday, September 15th, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. at the Courthouse Boardroom. Motion Carried.

Committee reports were given by the following: Ron Graettinger: DECAT meeting; Linus Solberg: Economic Development.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Solberg to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Craig Merrill, Chair

Carmen Moser, County Auditor