

Joint Meeting Minutes between Emmet County Board of Supervisors & Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors

January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017, 1:00 p.m.

Palo Alto and Emmet Joint Supervisor Meeting  
River Valley Telephone Company Board Room, Graettinger, Iowa

Emmet County:

Present: John Pluth  
Bev Juhl  
Jeff Quastad  
Tim Schumacher  
Roger Hash

Palo Alto County:

Present: Roger Faulstick  
Keith Wirtz  
Linus Solberg  
Ron Graettinger  
Craig Merrill  
Carmen Moser, Auditor

Present: Walter Davis-Oeth, Emmet County & Palo Alto County Engineer; and Emmet Co. Conservation Director, Eric Anderson.

Schumacher called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Motion by Pluth, seconded by Wirtz to approve the minutes of the last meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

Motion by Juhl, seconded by Graettinger to appoint Keith Wirtz as Chair and Carmen Moser as Secretary. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Quastad to cease nominations. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

Walter discussed with the joint board the 28E agreement for sharing a county engineer. Walter reviewed the changes to the agreement which include making payments monthly rather than quarterly. Walter also discussed changes to paragraph 5 which allows his best judgement to share county equipment between counties and to get reimbursed from the other county.

Walter also asked if changes needed to be made to agreement for a county to terminate at no monetary expense. It was okayed by joint board that no change was needed.

Jeff Quastad asked about the mileage on the truck, and Walter explained that the mileage reimbursement is the same split as the agreement which is 57% for Palo Alto County and 43% for Emmet County.

Walter discussed the possibility of a sharing option of purchasing a piece of specialty equipment at some point down the road.

Discussion was held on weed control in ROW and spraying of the drainage ditches.

Discussion was held about Sheriff's offices and how many dispatchers and jailers each of the counties have and whether full time or part time.

Raises and wages were discussed by both Counties and also increases in health insurance.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Quastad, to adjourn at 1:56 p.m. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

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Keith Wirtz, Palo Alto Chair

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Carmen Moser, Auditor