

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
November 1st, 2016, 8:00 a.m.

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

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

Motion by Graettinger to approve agenda died for lack of second.

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Merrill to approve the agenda for November 1st, 2016, and to add road & drainage matters. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Wirtz to approve the minutes for October 25th, 2016. Motion Carried.

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Graettinger to approve a letter of support for the Unity Lutheran Ministries Food Pantry at the Bethel Lutheran Church. Motion Carried.

Peg Martini, General Assistance, met with the Board and reviewed claims for services and number of calls.

The Board contacted Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, by telephone conference regarding the culverts on 420th Street and cleaning out the road ditch. Rick Hopper discussed the letter regarding N48 with Walter.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc. met with the Board to request appointment of right of way appraisers for Drainage District 61 Lateral B Tile.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Noonan to appoint Rick Hopper, Engineer, and Bill Brown and Allen Stangl or Darrel Reed as right of way appraisers for Drainage District 61 Lateral B Tile. Motion Carried.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc. met with the Board to file Drainage District 19 Engineer's Report.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to tentatively accept the Engineer's Report on Drainage District 19 and set the hearing date on tile improvements for 9:30 a.m. on December 13th, 2016, at the Courthouse Boardroom. Motion Carried.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc. met with the Board to discuss repairs at the outlet of Drainage District 151 subject to approval from NRCS & FSA.

Pete Hamilton met with the Board stating he was gathering information regarding TIF's and windmills.

Deb Prehm, Homeward Housing Trust Fund, rescheduled for November 15th.

The Board presented the county's initial bargaining proposals to the Palo Alto County Sheriff's Office Employee Association.

Eric Johnson & Kelly Graplar, Iowa Lakes Regional Water, met with the Board to give an update on the distribution line from Ruthven to Ayrshire for the City of Ayrshire water project.

Committee Reports: Ron Graettinger: Upper Des Moines; Keith Wirtz: Grotto Board and Season's meeting.

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

LJ Solberg, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor