

Courthouse
Emmetsburg Iowa
February 4th, 2016, 2:00 p.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Members present: Linus Solberg, Chair; Keith Wirtz, Ron Graettinger, Craig Merrill. Present by telephone conference: Ed Noonan. Present: Peter Hart, County Attorney; Dan Chism, Peter Hart, Co. Attorney; Lynn Schultes, Co. Sheriff; Robin Jamison, Co. Treasurer.

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 Wirtz, seconded by Graettinger to approve agenda for February 4th, 2016. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve minutes for January 26th, 2016. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Merrill to approve Veterans Affairs' monthly report for February 1st, 2016. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded Merrill to set completion hearings for the following districts on February 23rd, 2016: Drainage District 5 at 9:30 a.m.; Drainage District 159 at 9:45 a.m., and Drainage District 160 at 10:00 a.m. Motion Carried.

Joe Neary, Solid Waste, met with the Board.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Craig to approve hiring Todd Ditch at \$32,000 for full time position at the Transfer Station effective February 8th, 2016, with a \$1,000 increase on February 8th, 2017. Motion Carried.

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Merrill to appoint Rhonda Helm to the County Conservation Board. Motion Carried.

The Board discussed and reviewed the sheriff, communications and jail budget. The Board received copies of proposed expenditures by fund and department. Carmen Moser, Auditor, presented 3 draft copies of proposed tax levies for FY16-17.

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Merrill to set the levy at \$21.24 per capita for the mental health levy for FY16-17. Nays: Graettinger, Wirtz. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to adjourn. Motion Carried.

LJ Solberg, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor