

Courthouse  
Emmetsburg, Iowa  
March 7th, 2017, 8:00 a.m.

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

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

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Graettinger to approve the agenda for March 7th, 2017. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Graettinger to approve the minutes for February 28th, 2017. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Solberg to approve the Recorder's monthly report for February 1<sup>st</sup> thru February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Faulstick to approve the Veteran Affairs monthly report for March 1st, 2017. Motion Carried.

Peg Martini, General Assistance, met with the Board to give an update on General Assistance claims and discussed housing trust fund options.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board. Walter discussed with the Board proposed wages for summer help.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Faulstick to introduce and approve the following Resolution # 3-7-2017. Ayes: Solberg, Merrill, Faulstick, Graettinger, Wirtz. Resolution Passed.

**Resolution for Establishing Speed Limit on Portions of B25 and N26  
Palo Alto Resolution # 3-7-2017**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of the Iowa Code Section 321.255 and 321.285 of the Code of Iowa, to determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, that the speed limit of any secondary road is greater than is reasonable and proper under the conditions existing, and may determine and declare a reasonable and proper speed limit, and

**WHEREAS**, such an investigation has been requested and has been completed by the Palo Alto County Engineer.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PALO ALTO COUNTY** that the speed limit be established and appropriate signs be erected at the location described as follows:

The speed limit is established at 40 miles per hour on 370<sup>th</sup> Ave. (Highway N26) at a location beginning at the Northeast corner of Section, 9-T97N-R34W Independence Township, ending at the Northeast corner of Section 9-T96N-R34W Highland Township.

The speed limit is established at 40 miles per hour on 340<sup>th</sup> St (Highway B25) at a location beginning at the North ¼ corner of Section 8 T97N-R34W Highland Township, ending at the Northeast corner of Section 9-T96N-R34W Highland Township.

Resolution adopted this 7th day of March 2017.

Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors

/s/Keith Wirtz

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

/s/Carmen Moser, Palo Alto County Auditor

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to introduce & approve the following resolution 3-7-2017 (A). Ayes: Graettinger, Merrill, Faulstick, Solberg, Wirtz. Resolution Passed.

**WEIGHT EMBARGO - SPECIFIC ROADS  
RESOLUTION 3-7-2017(A)**

WHEREAS: The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors recognizes the severity of the past winter and its effect on certain paved roads during the period of thawing this spring, and

WHEREAS: Sections 321.236(8), 321.255, 321.471, and 321.473 of the Code of Iowa provide the authority for local authorities to impose restrictions as to the weight of vehicles to be operated on any highway under their jurisdiction and Section 321.463 establishes the penalty for violating said restrictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Palo Alto County, Iowa, that the roads listed below shall be eligible to have the following weight restrictions implemented by the erection of such signs as are necessary to advise the traveling public of these limits, in accordance with Section 321.472:

6-Ton Axle Limit (Gross Load = Number of Axles X 6 Tons)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Engineer may grant permits of exemption upon showing evidence of severe economic hardship or in emergency situations.

It is intended that these weight restrictions shall remain in effect for a period of three weeks or less, but may not exceed 90 days. The weight restrictions shall be enacted when the weight embargo signs are placed and rescinded by the removal of signs by the proper authority.

Complete Listing of Roads to be embargoed:

No.	Road name/number	From	To
1	Highway B14	480 Ave	500 Ave
2	Highway B19	530 Ave (Hwy N60)	580 Ave (Kossuth Co. Line)
3	Highway B20	530 Ave (Hwy N60)	580 Ave (Kossuth Co. Line)
4	Highway B25	355 Ave (Hwy N20)	370 Ave (Hwy N26)
5	Highway B53	340 Ave (Hwy N18)	380 Ave (Hwy N28)
6	Highway B55	510 Ave	580 Ave (IA Hwy 15)
7	Highway B63	340 Ave (Clay Co. Line)	380 Ave (Hwy N28)
8	Highway B63	380 Ave (Hwy N28)	460 Ave (IA Hwy 4)
9	Highway B63	525 Ave	West Bend Corp. Limits
10	Highway N26	280 St (Hwy B14)	340 St (Hwy B25)
11	Highway N28	360 St (US Hwy 18)	420 St (Hwy B53)
12	Highway N40	280 St (Hwy B14)	360 St (Emmetsburg Corp. Limits)
13	North Huron Road	340 St	360 St (Emmetsburg Corp. Limits)

Passed and approved this 7th day of March, 2017.

Palo Alto County, Iowa

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman: /s/ Keith Wirtz    Member: /s/ Ronald D. Graettinger

Member: /s/Roger Faulstick

Member: /s/LJ Solberg

Member: /s/Craig Merrill

I, Carmen Moser, Auditor, in and for Palo Alto County, Iowa, do certify the above to be a true and exact copy of a resolution passed and approved by the Board of Supervisors of Palo Alto County, Iowa, at its meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

ATTEST: /s/ Carmen Moser, Palo Alto County Auditor

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve Region 3 STP application for federal funding. Ayes: Graettinger, Faulstick, Merrill, Wirtz. Nays: Solberg. Motion Carried.

Bolton & Menk filed plans & specifications for Drainage District Jt. 63 Main Open, and Drainage District 80 Lower, Upper, & Branch F.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to accept the plans & specifications for Drainage District Jt. 63 Main Open and set the bid letting for March 21, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. the Election Center. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Merrill to accept the plans & specifications for Drainage District 80 Lower, Upper, & Branch F and set the bid letting for March 28, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. the Election Center. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Graettinger to introduce and adopt this resolution on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Ayes: Graettinger, Faulstick, Merrill, Solberg, Wirtz. Resolution Passed.

### **RESOLUTION # 3-7-2017 (B)**

#### **Approval of FY 2017/2018 Budget and Certification of Taxes**

WHEREAS, the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors has considered the proposed FY 2017/2018 county budget and certification of taxes, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing concerning the proposed county budget was held on March 7, 2017; and the budget was published as provided by Iowa Code. No written comments were received and no one representing the public was present for the hearing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Palo Alto County that the county budget and certificate of taxes for FY 2017/2018, as set forth in the budget summary, is hereby adopted and that the Palo Alto County Auditor is directed to file said budget and to establish accounting records in accordance with the attached schedules.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson and the County Auditor be and are hereby authorized to sign the approved FY 2017/2018 county budget.

Signed and dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

/s/Keith Wirtz  
Keith Wirtz, Chairman  
Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: /s/Carmen Moser  
Palo Alto County Auditor

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Faulstick to introduce and approve the following Resolution No. 3-7-2017 (C). Ayes: Graettinger, Faulstick, Merrill, Solberg, Wirtz. Resolution passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 3-7-2017 (C)

Resolution of the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors  
Fund Balance Assigned and Restricted Pursuant to GASB 54

**WHEREAS**, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) has issued Statement 54 (“GASB 54”), a new standard for governmental fund balance reporting and governmental fund type definitions that became effective in governmental fiscal years starting after June 15, 2010, and

**WHEREAS**, The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors is required to implement GASB 54 requirements, and to apply such requirements to its financial statements beginning with the fiscal year 2017-2018; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the following:

On 3-7-2017, the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors approved:

\$200,000 Assigned for Future County Buildings and Repairs

The above Resolution is adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

/s/Keith Wirtz  
Keith Wirtz, Chair  
Palo Alto County Supervisors

Attest:  
/s/Carmen Moser  
Palo Alto County Auditor

Committee Reports: Roger Faulstick—Brink Building parking; Craig Merrill—Northwest Iowa Care Connections; Keith Wirtz—IMWCA workshop.

The Board held a conference call with Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney, to discuss North Raccoon Watershed and proposed 28E Agreement.

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

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Keith Wirtz, Chairman

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Carmen Moser, County Auditor