

March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017, 1:00 p.m.  
Election Center  
Emmetsburg, Iowa

At 1:00 p.m., the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met as Trustees of Drainage District 80 Lower Main Open Ditch, 80 Upper Main Open Ditch and 80 Lateral F Open Ditch. Members present: Keith Wirtz, Chair, Ron Graettinger, Roger Faulstick, Linus Solberg. Craig Merrill was absent to attend the NW Iowa Care Connections meeting in Primghar.

Present: Donald Etler, P.E., Bolton & Menk, Inc; Carmen Moser, Auditor, Amber Enger, Auditor's Office.

Landowners present: Jim Hobart, Marge Merrill, Ron Sikora, Mary Schumacher, Bob Downing, Paul Dietrich, Roger J. Chism, Fred Wirtz, Mike Callon, Aletha King, Ron Barber, Arnold C. Heng, Dale L. Wood, Linda Koppie, Jamie Moser, Tillford Eglund, Bob Mortenson, Ritch & Cynthia Berkland, Robert Fehr, Jordan Mathisen, Lisa Siebrecht, David Bolte, Gary Bolte, John Bird, Myram Tunnickliff, Randy Schuller, Daniel Chism, Orval & Beverly Hankey, Jim Moser, Phyllis Schroeder, Joni Underwood, J.R. Brown

The Board of Supervisors met as Trustees of Drainage District 80 Lower Main Open Ditch, 80 Upper Main Open Ditch, and 80 Lateral F Open Ditch for the hearing on repairs.

Don Etler presented the engineer's report for repairs to Drainage District No. 80 Lower Main Open Ditch, 80 Upper Main Open Ditch and 80 Lateral F Open Ditch. The Board hired Don Etler of Bolton & Menk to make the assessment of repairs on drainage districts in Palo Alto County after the heavy rains and flooding in 2014. The Board applied for FEMA funds and are currently in the 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal.

The total estimated costs of repairs is:

DD 80 Lower Main Open Ditch

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$98,331

Total Estimated Project Cost with FEMA funding: \$43,331

DD 80 Upper Main Open Ditch

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$190,332

Total Estimated Cost with FEMA funding: \$69,332

DD 80 Branch F Open Ditch

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$39,001

Total Estimated Cost with FEMA funding: \$24,001

Objections were filed from the following: Tillford Eglund, Myram Tunnickliff, Randy Schuller, Bob Mortenson. The Board reviewed the objections and landowners were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Don Etler clarified questions and concerns regarding annexation, right of way, and reclassification as part of the notice and stated that the Board was only considering the repairs of Drainage District 80.

Motion by Ron Graettinger, seconded by Roger Faulstick to overrule the objections filed on Drainage District 80 and to approve the repairs to Drainage District 80 Lower Main Open Ditch, 80 Upper Main Open Ditch and 80 Lateral F Main Open Ditch for the repairs from the 2014 flood damages. Ayes: All. Absent: Merrill. Motion Carried.

At 2:00 p.m., the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors held a bid letting for Drainage District 80 Lower Main Ditch, 80 Upper Main Open Ditch and 80 Lateral F Open Ditch for repairs from the 2014 flood damages.

The following bids were received:

Reutzel Excavating Inc.: \$260,107.50

King Excavation: \$213,866.10

Valley Contracting Inc.: \$257,840.00

MLS Landscape & Design, Inc.: \$281,178.00

LA Carlson Contracting Inc. \$208,466.80

Motion by Linus Solberg, seconded by Ron Graettinger to accept the low bid from LA Carlson Contracting Inc. for \$208,466.80 for repairs to Drainage District 80 Lower Main Open Ditch, 80 Upper Main Open Ditch, 80 Lateral F Open Ditch. Ayes: All. Absent: Merrill. Motion Carried.

At 2:30 p.m., the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors held a bid letting for Drainage District No. 15 North for repairs.

The following bids were received:

Reutzel Excavating Inc.: \$98,976.30

King Excavation: \$86,730.00

Valley Contracting Inc. \$102,267.00

Nagle Land Tiling Inc.: \$90,280.54

LA Carlson Contracting Inc.: \$95,599.10

Motion by Linus Solberg, seconded by Roger Faulstick to accept the low bid from King Excavation for \$86,730 for repairs to Drainage District No. 15 North. Ayes: All. Absent: Merrill. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Graettinger to adjourn at 2:40 p.m. Motion Carried.

Carmen Moser, Auditor