

Courthouse  
Emmetsburg, Iowa  
December 5th, 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 Faulstick, seconded by Graettinger to approve the agenda for December 5th, 2017. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Graettinger to approve the minutes for November 28th, 2017. Motion Carried.

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

Peg Martini, General Assistance, was not able to meet with the Board.

The Board received copies of a letter from Sheila Tipton, Attorney with Brown Winick, regarding engagement in Case No. EQCV025601.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Graettinger to appoint Sheila Tipton to act as counsel for the Board of Supervisors in Case No. EQCV025601. Motion Carried.

No one was present for public comment.

Bob & Kay Banwart, West Bend Historical Society, met with the Board to request \$500 for funding for FY19.

Nathan Clark, Deb Harris, Anna McDevitt, and Lisa Riesenber, Library Association, met with the Board for the budget request for FY19. The libraries requested \$78,280 for FY19 which is a 3% increase.

Joe Neary, Environmental Health, met with the Board to present completion of septic grants for Terry & Nancy Stegge and Farrel Sirovy.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Faulstick to approve payment of \$4,650 and completion of the septic grant for Terry & Nancy Stegge. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Solberg to approve payment of \$5,000 and completion of the septic grant for Farrel Sirovy. Motion Carried.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc., met with the Board for the continued Annexation Hearing on Drainage District No. 23. Present: Phil Geelan. Rick requested additional time to meet with the landowner and to review LiDAR information.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Solberg to continue the annexation hearing for Drainage District No. 23 to December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse Boardroom. Motion Carried.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc., met with the Board for the continued Hearing on Drainage District No. 57. Present: Rodney Meyer, Dave Krischel, Marilyn Meade, Denton Knobloch, Steve Banwart.

Rick presented findings of the conditions of the present tile and stated that the outlet is undersized. Rick suggested filing an amended report for Drainage District No. 57 and to include Drainage District No. 48 Lateral 1 Tile for the outlet. Rick will submit an amended report on December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Donell Doening, Elderbridge, met with the Board to present the annual report and request \$7,322 for funding for FY19.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board. Walter presented a utility permit for approval and 21 partial acquisition contracts for the road project on N26 and B25.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Faulstick to approve an overhead utility permit application for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Vernon Township, Section 27. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Graettinger to approve partial acquisition contract #7 for Bellwether Limited Partnership. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Merrill to approve partial acquisition contract #9 for Pauline Neilson, Pauline Neilson LE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Solberg to approve partial acquisition contract #10 for Sally Nyborg, Sally Nyborg LE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Graettinger to approve partial acquisition contract #12 for Robert & Wanda Jacobson. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Faulstick to approve partial acquisition contract #16 for Howard K. Smith. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve partial acquisition contract #17 for Jerry Brady, John Brady, Patricia Spurlock & Barbara Allen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Graettinger to approve partial acquisition contract #27 for Kirby Sampson. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Merrill to approve partial acquisition contract #28, Jerry Brady, John Brady, Patricia Spurlock & Barbara Allen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Solberg to approve partial acquisition contract #30 for Jay & Deanna Clasing. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Faulstick to approve partial acquisition contract #31 for Jay & Deanna Clasing. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Graettinger to approve partial acquisition contract #34 for Hermansen Farms, LLC. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Graettinger to approve partial acquisition contract #35 for Matthew & Cara Kreutner. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to approve partial acquisition contract #36 for Iva Pedersen, Iva Pederson LE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Faulstick to approve partial acquisition contract #38 for Sally Nyborg, Sally Nyborg LE. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Graettinger to approve partial acquisition contract #41 for Carol Jean Lundgren Rev. Trust. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Graettinger to approve partial acquisition contract #42 for Merlin & Marietta Norris. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Merrill to approve partial acquisition contract #43 for Merlin & Marietta Norris. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Solberg to approve partial acquisition contract #45 for Robert & Linda Louwagie. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to approve partial acquisition contract #47 for Brett & Kerri Sirovy. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Faulstick to approve partial acquisition contract #50 for Maribeth Wright. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to approve partial acquisition contract #51 for Eugene Jorgensen & Kenneth Jorgensen. Motion Carried.

The Board discussed the County Sheriff's request for an additional deputy. The Board did not take any action and will consider at a later date.

Committee Reports: Keith Wirtz—IDDA annual meeting; Craig Merrill—Third Judicial meeting & NW Iowa Care Connections.

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

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Keith Wirtz, Chairman

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Carmen Moser, County Auditor