Courthouse Emmetsburg, Iowa January 30th, 2018, 8:00 a.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Members present: Ron Graettinger, Chair; Craig Merrill, Roger Faulstick, Linus Solberg, Keith Wirtz. 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 Wirtz to approve the agenda for January 30th, 2018. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to approve the minutes for January 23rd, 2018. Motion Carried.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc. met with the Board for the bid letting on Drainage District No. 23. The following bids were received:

Reutzel Excavating	\$1,285,846.00
Gehrke Inc.	\$1,231,109.50
Reding's Gravel & Excavating	\$1,762,559.00
B & B Farm Drainage	\$1,223,889.42
Bainbridge Construction	\$1,405,262.50
King Contracting	\$1,497,859.00
H & W Contracting LLC	\$1,623,305.00
Holland Contracting	\$1,417,490.00

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Wirtz to accept the low bid from B & B Farm Drainage for \$1,223,889.42 for improvements to Drainage District No. 23 and to authorize the Board Chair to sign the contract documents. Motion Carried.

Peg Martini, General Assistance, met with the Board to discuss funeral expenses of a resident from a nursing home.

No one was present for public comment.

Kim Wilson, Northwest Iowa Care Connections, met with the Board to present the Annual Report for FY 17 for the mental health region.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc. met with the Board for the bid letting on Drainage District No. 47. Landowners Present: Rodney Meyer, Todd Laubenthal, Emily Laubenthal, Cheryl Grethen, Chris Grethen, Adron Reese, Frank A. Smith, Carolyn Sloan. The following bids were received:

	½" coefficient	<u>1"coefficient</u>
Reutzel Excavating	\$ 953,810.80	\$1,208,782.20
Brainbridge Construction	\$1,064,617.00	\$1,442,387.75
Reding's Gravel & Excavating	\$1,112,528.00	\$1,425,263.00
Luft & Sons Inc.	\$ 948,432.30	\$1,264,746.40
Gehrke Inc.	\$1,008,927.75	\$1,290,776.00
King Contracting	\$1,121,223.00	\$1,524,718.00
H & W Contracting, LLC	\$1,258,959.40	\$1,678,679.00
Holland Contracting	\$1,057,950.50	\$1,312,452.40

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to accept the low bid from Reutzel Excavating for \$1,208,782.20 for the 1" drainage coefficient for improvements to Drainage District No. 47 and to authorize the Board Chair to sign the contract documents. Motion Carried.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Faulstick to approve a partial acquisition contract #4 for Ronald D. Kropf and Sandra D. Kropf. Motion Carried.

The Board held a conference call with Travis Squires from Piper Jaffray to discuss upcoming bond payments for FY19 and the proposed debt service levy for FY19.

Carmen Moser, Auditor, reviewed with the Board the proposed tax levies for FY18-19.

Committee Reports: Roger: Iowa Workforce Development; Keith: Early Childhood, Season's, City of West Bend meeting.

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

Ronald Graettinger, Chairman	Carmen Moser, County Auditor