

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
July 31st, 2018, 8:00 a.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Members present: Ron Graettinger, Chair; Roger Faulstick, Linus Solberg, Keith Wirtz. Craig Merrill was present by telephone conference. Present: Peter Hart, Co. Attorney; Jordan Bragg, Auditor's Office; Ed Noonan, Marilyn Noonan, Nick Leuer, Mary Greene, JR Brown.

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

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Wirtz to approve the agenda for July 31st, 2018. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Faulstick to approve the minutes for July 24th, 2018. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Faulstick to appoint Byron Anliker as Fern Valley Township Clerk and Mark Steier as Fern Valley Township Trustee. Motion Carried.

Alex Bleuer, PMC Advantage, met with the Board to discuss giving a quote for Property & Casualty Insurance. Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Keith to get a quote from EMC Insurance. Ayes: Faulstick, Wirtz, Graettinger, Merrill. Nays: Solberg. Motion Carried.

JR Brown was present for public comment and presented pictures of Drainage District North 15 to the Board. Brown recapped the work completed on North 15 and stated that the ditch is collapsed in parts and is going to need to be redone. The Board will talk to Kent Malm on seeding the banks.

Ed Noonan was present for public comment and presented a quote from Abel Drainage & Excavating for \$46,000 to remove, burn & bury trees in Section 16 & 17 of Silver Lake Township on Drainage District No. 6. The Board asked Rick Hopper to review the site.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board by telephone conference. Walter updated the Board on road projects.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Faulstick to approve an underground utility permit for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Section 25 & 36 of Highland Township. Motion Carried.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc. met with the Board. Rick filed the engineering report to add tile to the county tile system for Drainage District No. 23.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Solberg to accept the report to add tile to the county tile system for Drainage District No. 23. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to grant an extension to B&B Farm Drainage till November 1st, 2018, for the tile improvement project on Drainage District 23. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Solberg to set the completion hearing date for Drainage District 41 Open Ditch for August 28th, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse Boardroom. Motion Carried.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc. met with the Board for the bid letting on Drainage District 61 Lateral B Tile waterway restoration project.

The following bids were received:

Abel Drainage & Exc.	\$68,267.25
M & S Dirt Work	\$65,091.00
Marlan's Excavating	\$59,952.00
LeRoy & Sons	\$44,456.25
Flewelling Earthmoving Inc.	\$51,454.50
B & S Tiling & Exc.	\$57,222.60
Erpelding Exc.	\$74,794.65
Luft & Sons	\$49,908.75

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Wirtz to accept the low bid from LeRoy & Sons for \$44,456.25 for repairs to Drainage District 61 Lateral B Tile and to authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Notice of Award. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports: Solberg—drainage; Merrill—NW IA Care Connections; Wirtz—Season's meeting.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Faulstick to cancel the board meeting for August 7th, 2018. Motion Carried.

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

Ronald Graettinger, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor