

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
September 18th, 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: Sharon Chism, Wendy Schmidt, Janna Swanson, Bertha Mathis, Scott Jansen, Ethan Dahlhauser, John Andersen, Ray Grandstaff, Myrna Hedding, Mike Hermansen, Kim Kibbie, Peter Hart, County Attorney.

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 Solberg, seconded by Faulstick to approve the agenda for September 18th, 2018. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Solberg to approve the minutes for September 11th, 2018. Motion Carried.

Kent Malm, IRVM, met with the Board to present a Resolution 9-18-2018 Agreement for Living Roadway Trust Grant.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Merrill to introduce and approve the following Resolution 9-18-2018. Ayes: Wirtz, Faulstick, Solberg, Merrill, Graettinger. Resolution Passed.

Resolution No. 9-18-2018

A Resolution Approving an Agreement between Palo Alto County and
The Iowa Department of Transportation for a Living Roadway Trust Fund Grant
Project 90-74-LR19-334

Whereas, the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors is responsible for the Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management Program and for managing certain roadside properties, and

Whereas, the Iowa Department of Transportation provides funding assistance through the Living Roadway Trust Fund for expenses related to these responsibilities, and

Whereas, the grant requires matching funds of \$5,500 for Project 90-74-LR19-334 for a Kioti UTV, and

Whereas, Palo Alto County has applied for and been awarded a Living Roadway Trust Fund grant, and

Therefore, be it here resolved, that the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors approves a Living Roadway Trust Fund grant agreement between Palo Alto County and the Iowa Department of Transportation.

PALO ALTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

/s/Ronald Graettinger – Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/Carmen Moser – Palo Alto County Auditor

Joe Neary, Zoning, met with the Board.

Scott Jansen, RES, met with the Board and explained the placement of the Meteorological Data Tower and specifications. Planning & Zoning recommended approval of the permit.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to approve a conditional use permit for RES Americas for a Meteorological Data Tower in Section 1, of Silver Lake Township. Motion Carried.

Wendy Schmidt presented her concerns to the Board and requested that the hog building be moved and located some other place. John Andersen, Iowa Select, spoke about the site and that trees will be planted. Planning & Zoning recommended approval of the site and it does meet the Good Neighbor Policy.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to approve a conditional use permit & master matrix for Market Farms, LLC, in Section 9 of West Bend Township. Ayes: Wirtz, Merrill, Graettinger. Nays: Solberg, Faulstick. Motion Carried.

Mike Hermansen, Myrna Hedding, and Kim Kibbie met with the Board for public comment regarding Drainage District 180 improvement project.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board. Walter updated the Board on hail damage to county property and gave an update on road projects.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Wirtz to approve the Palo Alto County Conflict of Interest Policy. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Merrill to approve the Palo Alto County Reporting Policy. Motion Carried.

Phil Andreasen, HBW Insurance, met with the Board to present insurance quotes from ICAP and EMC.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Faulstick to recognize the drainage petition filed on Drainage District 23 Lateral 8 and 11 and to appoint Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc., to investigate and prepare a report. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports: Keith Wirtz—IDDA meeting.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc., met with the Board to give an update on drone coverage and updated the Board on the status of drainage projects under construction.

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

Ronald Graettinger, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor