

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
December 1st, 2020, 8:00 a.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Members present: Roger Faulstick, Chair; Craig Merrill, Ron Graettinger, Keith Wirtz, Linus Solberg. Present on conference call: Joe Schany, Reporter/Democrat; Beth Schultes, Ruthven Oil Company.

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

Due to COVID-19 the meeting was held by conference call. The conference call bridge number and conference ID number was posted and provided at the top of the agenda that was emailed.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Graettinger to approve the agenda for December 1st, 2020. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Graettinger to approve the minutes for November 24th, 2020. Motion Carried.

Shari Kastein, Family Crisis Center, met by conference call with the Board to discuss the budget request for FY22. Shari discussed the programs and grants that Family Crisis Center is currently doing and helping people to find housing. Shari requested \$2,500 for FY22.

MINUTES OF MEETING
TO SET DATE FOR ELECTION

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Emmetsburg, Iowa

December 1, 2020

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Palo Alto County, Iowa, was held at the Courthouse, Emmetsburg, Iowa, at 8:15 o'clock a.m., on December 1, 2020.

The Board of Supervisors met electronically via telephone conference, which was accessible at the following:

Meeting by Conference Call
Conference Bridge call in # 1-712-859-6000
Conf ID: 82238

The Board of Supervisors is conducting this meeting electronically due to federal and state government recommendations in response to COVID-19 pandemic conditions. Electronic access information was included in the posted agenda of this public meeting.

The meeting was called to order and there were present the Chairperson and the following named Supervisors:

Present: Roger Faulstick, Linus Solberg, Keith Wirtz, Craig Merrill, Ronald Graettinger.

Absent: None_____.

Supervisor Ronald Graettinger introduced a resolution setting March 2, 2021 as the date for an election on the question of entering into a loan agreement and issuing bonds for the purpose of undertaking the project to construct, furnish, and equip a County public safety building and jail, in the form next hereinafter set out, and moved its adoption, seconded by Supervisor Keith Wirtz and after due consideration thereof by the

Board of Supervisors, the Chairperson put the question upon the adoption of the resolution and the roll being called, the following named Supervisors voted:

Ayes: Graettinger, Merrill, Wirtz, Solberg, Faulstick.

Nays: none_____.

Whereupon, the Chairperson declared the motion duly carried and the resolution adopted.♦♦♦♦

At conclusion of the meeting, and upon motion and vote, the meeting adjourned.

/s/Roger Faulstick
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

Attest:/s/Carmen Moser, County Auditor

RESOLUTION NO. 12-1-2020

Resolution calling an election on the proposition of entering into a General Obligation Loan Agreement and borrowing money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$5,625,000

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the “Board”) of Palo Alto County, Iowa (the “County”) has deemed it necessary and advisable that the County be authorized to construct, furnish, and equip a County public safety building and jail (the “Project”) and enter into a loan agreement (the “Loan Agreement”) and issue bonds thereunder in a principal amount not exceeding \$5,625,000 to finance the cost of the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 331.442 of the Code of Iowa, before the County may enter into the Loan Agreement and issue bonds (the “Bonds”) for such purpose, the County must hold a special election upon such proposition and receive a favorable vote from at least 60% of the total votes cast at such special election; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 331.442 of the Code of Iowa, as part of the Board’s action to set a date for an election on such proposition, the Board must publish notice of such proposition, including a statement of the amount and purpose of the Loan Agreement and the Bonds to be issued, and a statement of the estimated cost of the Project, which notice must be published, as provided in Section 331.305 of the Code of Iowa, with the minutes of the meeting at which the Board adopts a resolution setting the date for an election on the question of entering into the Loan Agreement and issuing such Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Palo Alto County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors intends to complete the Project at a total estimated cost not to exceed \$5,625,000. In accordance with Section 331.442 of the Code of Iowa, this cost figure is an estimate and is not intended to be binding on the Board in later proceedings related to the Project.

Section 2. A special county election is hereby called and ordered to be held in and for the County on March 2, 2021, at which there will be submitted to the voters of the County the following proposition:

Shall Palo Alto County, State of Iowa, enter into a loan agreement and issue general obligation bonds in an amount not exceeding \$5,625,000 for the purpose of paying the cost, to that extent, of constructing, furnishing and equipping a County public safety building and jail.

Section 3. All of the foregoing matters are adopted and resolved by this Board, and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to issue a proclamation and notice of the proposition and of the time and place of the election and to take all other actions necessary pursuant to state law to conduct the election. In addition, in accordance with Sections 331.305 and 331.442 of the Code of Iowa, the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to publish the minutes of the Board meeting at which this Resolution is adopted, including the full text of this Resolution, and to publish along with those minutes the Board's Notice of Special Bond Election that is attached to this Resolution.

Section 4. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, to the extent of such conflict.

Passed and approved December 1, 2020.

/s/Roger Faulstick
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

Attest:/s/Carmen Moser, County Auditor

Sarah Strohman, Community Health Director, met with the Board by conference call to give an update on COVID19. There are 94 active cases in Palo Alto County.

No one was present for public comment.

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

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve a utility permit for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Section 19 of Highland Township. Motion Carried.

Walter opened the sealed bids for the fuel contracts. Two bids were received as follows: Ruthven Coop Oil Company \$301,284.53 and Maxyield Cooperative \$314,390.73. Walter will confirm the numbers & bring back next week for approval.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to approve a lease agreement with the City of Emmetsburg in the NW1/4 of Section 12, Emmetsburg Township beginning on December 1, 2020 and ending on December 1, 2030. Motion Carried.

Cliff Christensen, Veteran Affairs, and Terry Chamberlain, Commission Member, met with the Board to recommend selection of the new Executive Director for Commission of Veteran Affairs. Cliff recommend hiring Victoria Merwald for the part-time position.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to approve hiring Victoria Merwald at \$19.61 per hour effective December 1, 2020. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports: Craig Merrill—Care Connections of Northern Iowa; Roger Faulstick—Environmental Health and drainage.

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

Roger Faulstick, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor