

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
January 26, 2021, 8:00 a.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Members present: Linus Solberg, Chair; Ronald Graettinger, Craig Merrill, Keith Wirtz; Roger Faulstick by conference call. Present by conference call: Joe Schany, Reporter/Democrat.

Unless otherwise indicated, all of the motions offered at this meeting were carried with the following vote: Ayes: Graettinger, Faulstick, Merrill Wirtz, Solberg. 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 and posted.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve the agenda for January 26, 2021. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Graettinger to approve the minutes for January 19 & 20, 2021. Motion Carried.

Sue Ruppert, County Recorder, presented the Recorder's budget for FY22.

Robin Jamison, County Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's budget for FY22.

Sarah Strohman, Community Health Director, met with the Board by conference call to give an update on COVID19 and vaccine. The County is at 8% for a 14-day average. On February 9th Community Health will hold a clinic at the VFW for 65 & older for the COVID19 vaccine.

No one was present for public comment.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board. Present: Andy Stolley.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to approve a utility permit for Windstream in Section 19 & 30 of Fairfield Township. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve the purchase of a John Deere motor grader for \$309,900. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve a liquor license for Happy Campers LLC for a Class B Wine, Class C Beer & Sunday Sales permit. Motion Carried.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc., met with the Board for the Reclassification Hearing on Drainage District 19. Present: Kevin Kassel, Conference Call; Jordan Morey, Auditor's Office

Rick presented the reclassification report for Drainage District No. 19 Main Tile and Laterals 1, 1A, 1B, 2 & 3. There were no objections on file.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Merrill to approve the reclassification report for Drainage District No. 19 Main Tile and Laterals 1, 1A, 1B, 2 & 3. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the wetland mitigation assessment for Drainage District No. 19. Motion Carried. Rick Hopper will send a letter to landowners with wetland mitigation assessments.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc., met with the Board for the bid letting on Drainage District No. 160.

The following bids were received:

Reutzl Excavating	\$22,102.00
Valley Contracting	\$23,363.00
King Excavation	\$19,408.90
Marlans Excavating	\$23,300.00

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to accept the low bid to King Excavation for \$19,408.90 for DD 160 repairs. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger 2nd by Wirtz to rescind motion and Resolution 1-19-2021 for setting the public hearing on expanded urban renewal area for February 23, 2021. Motion Carried.

The Board reviewed the proposed solar ordinance and discussed with Sheila Tipton, Attorney. Present: Don Etler, Dean Gunderson, Brady Evans-MidAmerican, Gabe Klooster-Invenergy, Jennifer Push-Invenergy, Brent Leonard, Bertha Mathis, Jim Kuecker; Peter Hart, County Attorney.

The Board reviewed and discussed minor changes in the proposed solar ordinance. Bertha Mathis gave comments regarding the cleanup of solar panels for generations to come and requested not to put solar panels in northwest Iowa.

Gabe Klooster, Invenergy, gave comments regarding the solar panel project and Don Etler gave an explanation on drainage tile.

Sheila Tipton will make the changes to the ordinance and then send to Peter Hart, County Attorney.

Committee Reports: Wirtz-Early Childhood

Carmen Moser, Auditor, reviewed the proposed tax levy for FY22 and the fund balance worksheet with the Board.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Graettinger to approve the claims and drainage claims for January 26, 2021. Motion Carried.

General Basic Fund

ROB ALLEN	Minor Equip & Hand Tools	128.00
Bauer Plumbing & Heating Inc.	Misc Expense	2686.60
BD Construction Services LLC	Park Maintenance & Suppli	5236.80
Bobber Down	Park Maintenance & Suppli	397.99
Brown Winick	Consultants	1470.00
Canon	Photocopy & Dup. Serv.	166.00
Convergint Technologies, LLC	Office Equip & Furniture	487.82
Counsel Office & Document	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	158.37
Donaldson Docks	Park Maintenance & Suppli	438.50
Dyno Oil Co	Cash Allowances	10.00
E-Pride	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	1249.65
Electronic Specialties	Radio & Related Equip	465.00
Emmetsburg Ford	Minor MV Parts & Access	69.67
E.M.U.	utilities	794.11
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	Board Proceedings	593.91
GALLS, LLC	Wearing Apparel & Uniform	66.74
Harris Sanitation	& Disposal Ser	280.00
Harrison County Sheriff	Legal & Ct-Related Servic	41.76
Hometown Electric	Buildings	378.50
BRENT HOWING	Animal Bounties & Apiaris	550.00
Hughes Pharmacy	Acute & Emergency Treat.	1385.20
Hy-Vee Accounts Receivable	Food & Provisions	251.04
IA Lakes Electric Coop	Electric Light & Power	1015.00
Iowa Lakes Regional Water	Water & Sewer	313.52
Knight Protection	Buildings	673.00
KRISTAT AUTO PARTS LLC	Operating/Construction Eq	73.07
Loffler Companies - 131511	Office & Data Processing	212.55
Martin-Mattice Fun. Home	Medical & Health Services	650.00
MEDIACOM LLC	Telecommunications Serv.-	180.44
MidAmerican Energy	electricity	1321.25
Northwest Communications	Telecommunications Serv.-	203.90
Palo Alto Co Health System	Legal & Ct-Related Servic	168.75
Palo Alto Co Sec Road	Fuels	2847.30
Porta Dock, Inc C&R Distributi	Park Maintenance & Suppli	12370.40
QS LAWN AND PEST, LLC	Buildings	80.00
Quill Corporation	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	443.58
River Valley Telecommunication	Telecommunications Serv.-	311.47
RMA ARMAMENT INC	Other	1503.15
Sioux Sales Co.	Other	5410.00
Solutions Inc.	services	325.39
Darren A. Stearns	Animal Bounties & Apiaris	200.00
Swanson Hardware	Fertilizer & Seed	136.55
VISA	Dues & Memberships	297.00
Wedeking Construction	Park Maintenance & Suppli	3750.00
West Bend Ford	Minor MV Parts & Access	790.01
Michael Westfall	Animal Bounties & Apiaris	500.00

Brooke Williamson	Wages-Temp, Pt. Time Empl	93.50
Windstream	phone	1167.45
WOODFORD EQUIPMENT	Operating/Construction Eq	1893.32
WOODWARD YOUTH CORPORATION % F	Foster Family Home	1446.15
<u>General Supplemental Fund</u>		
E-Pride	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	35.17
Election Source	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	38.24
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	1311.82
E.M.U.	utilities	80.75
MidAmerican Energy	electricity	36.03
<u>Rural Services Basic Fund</u>		
Galens Pro-Mow	Equipment	75.24
IA Lakes Electric Coop	Electric Light & Power	570.00
Iowa Recycling Association	Educational/Training Serv	175.00
Northern Rolloff	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	370.00
Palo Alto Co Sec Road	Fuels	239.04
Shamrock Recycling, Inc	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	2632.57
Spencer Red Power	Equipment	412.50
Windstream	phone	60.86
<u>Special Revenue-SheriffReserve</u>		
RMA ARMAMENT INC	Educational/Training Serv	751.57
<u>Secondary Road Fund</u>		
Alliant Energy	Engineering Services	221.85
Arnold Motor Supply ATT: Sue	Engineering Services	350.29
BLACKSTRAP, INC.	Engineering Services	1930.43
Bomgaars	Engineering Services	16.98
Cintas	Engineering Services	242.64
Crysteel Truck Equipment	Engineering Services	2578.30
Currans Plumbing & Heating	Engineering Services	318.75
Don's Truck Sales Inc	Engineering Services	912.68
City of Emmetsburg	Engineering Services	58.97
Emmetsburg Ford	Engineering Services	32700.00
E.M.U.	Engineering Services	446.02
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	Engineering Services	102.00
Fareway	Engineering Services	62.46
Fleet Pride Truck & Trailer	Engineering Services	600.20
Fox International, Inc.	Engineering Services	827.50
Graettinger Hardware	Engineering Services	249.83
Graettinger Market	Engineering Services	73.90
IA Lakes Electric Coop	Engineering Services	497.37
Interstate Batteries	Engineering Services	230.95
Jack's OK Tire	Engineering Services	868.40
KRISTAT AUTO PARTS LLC	Engineering Services	152.28
Maxyield Cooperative	Engineering Services	988.11
Metal Culverts Inc.	Engineering Services	5396.90
MidAmerican Energy	Engineering Services	1790.58
Murphy Tractor & Equipment	Engineering Services	1086.51
Northern Safety Co., Inc.	Engineering Services	357.59
NUSS TRUCK & EQUIPMENT	Engineering Services	1025.43
Palo Alto Co Health System	Engineering Services	62.00
Petersen Auto Body	Engineering Services	1500.00
Picrays Welding & Fab.	Engineering Services	299.59
Ruthven Coop Oil Co	Engineering Services	9093.36
Safety Flag Company	Engineering Services	113.23
Staples Credit Plan	Engineering Services	88.96
Swanson Hardware	Engineering Services	29.46
Chris Towell	Engineering Services	95.00
Universal Field Services	Engineering Services	2696.80
West Bend Ford	Engineering Services	32700.00
City of West Bend	Engineering Services	279.03
<u>Res Enhance & Protection</u>		
Magneta Trailer, Inc	Equipment	2392.00
<u>Emergency Mgmt Agency</u>		
William Hunefeld	Parts	20.00
Palo Alto Co Sec Road	Parts	103.26
<u>E911 Surcharge Fund</u>		
Century Link	Engineering Services	330.28
IA Prison Industries	Addressing (Signs)	9810.65
MCI Comm Service	Engineering Services	23.89
Palo Alto Co Emergency Mgmt	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	13500.00
Verizon	phone service	3.55
Windstream	phone	80.44
<u>Drainage Claims</u>		
B & W Control Specialists	DD18 MainOpen spraying	820.00
B & W Control Specialists	DD3 MainOpen spraying	1537.50
B & W Control Specialists	DD62 spraying	2151.25
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD 15N eng exp	997.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD175 eng exp	750.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD180 Lat1 eng exp	1525.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD180 MainOpen eng exp	62.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD28 eng exp	12923.50

Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD80 Br F Open eng exp	62.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD80 LowMainOpen eng exp	4952.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD80 UpMainOpen eng	62.50
Cottingham-Stowell & Stillman	DD 176 Bond#69652136	100.00
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	DD28 pub exp L03483	130.86
Erpelding Exc. Enterprise	DD61 LatA repairs	15190.03
Ronald Hoffman	DD 176 leveling	600.00
G.W."PETE" HOWE SANITATION INC	DD61 Lat A repair	2681.25
Ryan Jergens	DD98 MainOpen beaver	450.00
Lair Tiling & Excavation, Inc.	DD 15S Main repair	350.00
KENT MALM	DD 15S Main tile inspect	20.00
KENT MALM	DD61 LatA tile inspect	40.00
Reutzel Excavating Inc	DD28 tile repair pay#8	198157.81
Darren A. Stearns	DD81 beaver trapping	750.00

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

Linus Solberg, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor