

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
April 13th, 2021, 8:00 a.m.

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

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.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve the agenda for April 13th, 2021. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Graettinger to approve the minutes for April 6th, 2021. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Wirtz to approve the Recorder's monthly report ending March 31, 2021. Motion Carried.

Sarah Strohman, Community Health Director, met with the Board by conference call to give an update on COVID19 and vaccine. Palo Alto County is at a 3% positivity rate and has 10 new cases. Public Health continues to recommend mask mandate.

No one was present for public comment.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board. Walter presented utility permits and DOT budget for FY21 and FY22. Walter presented the 5-year construction program for roads.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Merrill to approve an underground utility permit application for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Sections 20 & 29 of Emmetsburg Township. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve an underground utility permit application for Iowa Lakes Regional Water in Sections 29 & 30 of Walnut Township. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to approve an underground utility permit application for Ayrshire Farmers Mutual Telephone Company in Silver Lake, Great Oak, and Booth Townships. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Graettinger to approve an underground utility permit application for Terrill Telephone Cooperative to provide fiber broadband communications to subscribers. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, 2nd by Faulstick to approve the amended Iowa DOT budget for FY2021. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the Iowa DOT budget for FY2022. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Merrill to introduce and approve Resolution #4-13-2021 for the 5-year construction program for Palo Alto County. Ayes: Graettinger, Faulstick, Merrill, Wirtz. Nays: Solberg. Resolution Passed.

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to approve PCC patching contract with Ten Point Construction for \$136,951. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the Cost Advisory Services Report for FY20. Motion Carried.

Carmen Moser, Auditor, presented the Budget Amendment for FY21.
 Motion by Merrill, 2nd by Faulstick to set the budget amendment hearing date for May 4, 2021, at 9:00 am in the Courthouse Boardroom. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports: Keith Wirtz—Raccoon Watershed Meeting; Roger Faulstick: jail committee.

The Board held an informational meeting regarding a private ditch facility to be included with Drainage District No. 175. Present: Bill Brown, Randy Loomis, Kirby Sampson, Laurie Schneider, Mary Barrick, Conservation; Collin Klingbeil, Bolton & Menk; Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney; Jordan Morey, Auditor's Office.

Bill Brown had asked the Board of Supervisors to consider having the private ditch be part of the Drainage District No. 175 facility. The private ditch is located in Highland Township, Section 1 and Silver Lake Township, Section 1. This area was annexed into the watershed of Drainage District No. 175.

The landowners along the private ditch were notified of the informational meeting. Collin Klingbeil stated that the private ditch outlets to a natural waterway and then enters the main open ditch of Drainage District 175. If the landowners decide to make this a drainage facility, the engineer would have to prepare a report on right-of-way acquisition, reclassification and official grade and elevations.

Jim Hudson is going to review a prior lawsuit regarding a box culvert. More information is needed. Tillford Prairie was also discussed and Mary Barrick, Conservation, is working on a project to help with the water control. No action was taken.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve the claims and drainage claims for April 13th, 2021. Motion Carried.

General Basic Fund

American Business Phones	Buildings	408.00
BLUE LAKE WEBSITES ANITRA LARS	Misc Expense	497.60
Brew Oil LLC	Cash Allowances	40.00
Brown Winick	Consultants	5320.80
BUSINESS FORMS & SYSTEMS CO.	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	242.26
Canon	Photocopy & Dup. Serv.	166.00
Central Iowa Distributing Inc	Custodial Supplies	397.30
Terry Chamberlain	Misc Expense	240.00
City of Emmetsburg	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	24.47
Christina Clausen	Employee Mileage & Subs.	36.00
E-Pride	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	39.61
Emmetsburg Ford	Minor MV Parts & Access	192.92
E.M.U.	utilities	1105.46
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	Board Proceedings	862.66
Fareway	Custodial Supplies	30.49
GALLS, LLC	Wearing Apparel & Uniform	118.91
Florian Goergen	Bus	51.50
Graettinger Times	Board Proceedings	936.57
Vincent H. Heller	Bus	479.75
Ronald Hersom	Bus	75.00
Hometown Electric	Buildings	1427.00
IA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSN	Dues & Memberships	381.00
IA State Assn of Counties	Educational/Training Serv	125.00
IA Office of State Medical Exm	Medical & Health Services	2650.00
MAGGIE JACKSON	Wages-Temp, Pt. Time Empl	120.00
Mackenzie King	Wages-Temp, Pt. Time Empl	136.00
MISSY KING	Wages-Temp, Pt. Time Empl	42.50
Loffler Companies - 131511	Office & Data Processing	173.72
Mail Services, LLC	Postage & Mailing	300.74
Matt's Cleaning Service	Salary-Regular Employees	500.00
Timothy McCarthy	Animal Bounties & Apiaris	1750.00
MEDIACOM LLC	Telecommunications Serv.-	803.63
Victoria Merwald	Employee Mileage & Subs.	90.87
National Sheriffs' Association	Educational/Training Serv	321.57
Northwest Communications	Telecommunications Serv.-	1426.92
NW IA Youth Emergency Services	Legal & Ct-Related Servic	627.75
Palo Alto Co Comm Health Ser	Board of Health	2246.35
Palo Alto Co Emergency Mgmt	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	2118.25
Palo Alto Co Fair Assn	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	15117.62
Palo Alto Co Gun Club	Misc Expense	1795.50
Palo Alto Co Historic School	Misc Expense	1799.50
Palo Alto Co Sec Road	Fuels	2946.56
QS LAWN AND PEST, LLC	Buildings	65.00
River Valley Telecommunication	Electric Light & Power	464.75
Deb Rouse	Household & Institutional	67.96
Ruthven Zipcode	Official Pub & Legal Noti	126.00
SLASH POINT SALES	Office & Data Processing	240.70
HOWARD SMITH	Bus	582.00
Solutions Inc.	services	970.66

Swanson Hardware #3001	Custodial Supplies	98.87
Thomson Reuters West Payment C	Legal Research Service	516.63
Verizon	phone service	320.14
VISA	Educational/Training Serv	2653.54
Von Bokern Associates, Inc	Consultants	2000.00
West Bend Ford	Minor MV Parts & Access	318.13
West Bend Journal	Official Pub & Legal Noti	123.75
Windstream	phone	1077.02
<u>General Supplemental Fund</u>		
E.M.U.	utilities	149.01
IA State Assn of Counties	Dues & Memberships	225.00
SEAT TREASURER C/O ISAC	Educational/Training Serv	40.00
<u>Rural Services Basic Fund</u>		
Emmetsburg Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	11277.13
Graettinger Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	4792.78
Mallard Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	3946.99
Northern Rolloff	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	185.00
Northwest Communications	Telecommunications Serv.-	81.95
Palo Alto Co Sec Road	Fuels	300.07
Randy's Repair	Motor Vehicle Equipment	470.52
River Valley Telecommunication	Telecommunications Serv.-	85.47
Ruthven Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	3946.99
City of Spencer	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	23435.48
Swanson Hardware #3001	Buildings	116.90
West Bend Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	4228.93
<u>Secondary Road Fund</u>		
Alliant Energy	Engineering Services	193.13
Amp Your Good Inc Control the	Engineering Services	1104.64
Arnold Motor Supply ATT: Sue	Engineering Services	97.31
Ayrshire Farmers Mut Telephone	Engineering Services	41.24
Bomgaars	Engineering Services	290.55
Central Iowa Distributing Inc	Engineering Services	133.20
Chemsearch	Engineering Services	218.45
Cintas	Engineering Services	119.58
City of Cylinder	Engineering Services	55.00
Emmet County Engineer	Engineering Services	7945.19
City of Emmetsburg	Engineering Services	58.97
Equipment Blades, Inc	Engineering Services	1824.88
Fareway	Engineering Services	70.80
Fleet Pride Truck & Trailer	Engineering Services	763.74
Force America Distributing, LLC	Engineering Services	52.10
Graettinger Hardware	Engineering Services	24.76
Graettinger Mun. Utilities Gra	Engineering Services	481.84
Graettinger Times	Engineering Services	137.50
Melissa Hall	Engineering Services	38.64
Hallett Materials	Engineering Services	1905.70
Iowa Lakes Regional Water	Engineering Services	105.09
Iowa State University Institut	Engineering Services	400.00
Interstate Batteries	Engineering Services	653.75
Johnston Automotive	Engineering Services	62.46
K & W Electric Inc	Engineering Services	1151.00
K.C. Nielsen Ltd	Engineering Services	2624.67
KRISTAT AUTO PARTS LLC	Engineering Services	123.12
Lube Tech Accelerating Perform	Engineering Services	1580.42
City of Mallard	Engineering Services	68.70
Maxyield Cooperative	Engineering Services	1320.00
MidAmerican Energy	Engineering Services	1363.03
Robin K Moore	Engineering Services	61.50
Murphy Tractor & Equipment	Engineering Services	3065.23
Northern Safety Co., Inc.	Engineering Services	198.19
Northwest Communications	Engineering Services	47.28
Palo Alto Co Auditor	Engineering Services	46.71
Palo Alto Co Health System	Engineering Services	777.00
Picrays Welding & Fab.	Engineering Services	83.23
Petroleum Marketers Mgt Insur	Engineering Services	5887.00
River Valley Telecommunication	Engineering Services	77.13
Ruthven Coop Oil Co	Engineering Services	25574.94
City of Ruthven	Engineering Services	90.24
SLASH POINT SALES	Engineering Services	515.70
Swanson Hardware #3001	Engineering Services	80.57
Veri-Tank	Engineering Services	250.00
Verizon	Engineering Services	208.04
West Bend Journal	Engineering Services	37.50
Windstream	Engineering Services	519.15
Ziegler Inc	Engineering Services	2689.99
<u>Emergency Mgmt Agency</u>		
Dickinson Co Emer Management	Educational/Training Serv	150.00
Emmetsburg Ford	Parts	1170.12
<u>E911 Surcharge Fund</u>		
Ayrshire Farmers Mut Telephone	Engineering Services	154.30
Century Link	Engineering Services	329.58
E-Pride	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	57.93
MCI Comm Service	Engineering Services	34.43
MEDIACOM LLC	Engineering Services	168.37
Northwest Communications	Engineering Services	758.78
River Valley Telecommunication	Engineering Services	886.55
Verizon	phone service	3.65
Windstream	phone	358.05
WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATIONS ATTE	phone	212.87

Drainage Claims

Michael Behrendsen	Jt 13 wtrwy Commissioner	75.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DDN15 eng exp FEMA	137.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD28 eng exp	8200.00
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD61 Main eng exp	1177.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD7 eng exp FEMA	304.50
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD80 LowerMain FEMA	405.00
Bill Brown	DD28 commissioner	150.00
D D 23 Main Open	DD23 MainTile transfer	296939.77
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	DD28 pub annexation	921.81
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	DD28 pub exp reclass	65.97
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	DD61 pub repairs&improve	131.37
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD 162 eng exp	1695.60
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD119 eng exp	1278.00
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD160 eng exp	556.30
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD23 Main eng FEMA	918.75
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD41 eng exp FEMA	1203.75
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD47 eng exp	1308.75
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD48 Lat1 eng exp	497.50
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD5 eng exp FEMA	1140.00
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD57 eng exp	497.50
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD61 LatA eng exp	155.00
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD81 eng exp	6709.80
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD92 eng exp	1315.00
Jacobson-Westergard&Assoc, Inc.	DD923 Lat2 eng exp	565.00
Darrel Reed	Jt13 watrwy Commissioner	75.00
Allen Stangl	DD28 commissioner	150.00
Darren A. Stearns	DD81 beaver trapping	1600.00

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Wirtz to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Linus Solberg, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor