

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
May 4th, 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: Joe Schany, Reporter/Democrat; Josh Hansen; Lynn Schultes, County Sheriff; Peter Hart, County Attorney.

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 Wirtz, 2nd by Faulstick to approve the agenda for May 4th, 2021, with the additions to appoint appraisers for ROW acquisition and to approve part time employees for conservation. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Merrill to approve the minutes for April 27th, 2021. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the Veteran Affairs' claims report for April 30, 2021. Motion Carried.

Bids were received for concrete and plumbing for the temporary Communications Center/Garage. The following bids were received:

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| Bruellman Construction | \$97,411.80 |
| Hansen Concrete | \$78,396 |
| Bauer Plumbing | \$4,950 |
| Jones Plumbing | \$5,275 |

Bids will be awarded next week.

Lynn Schultes, County Sheriff, met with the Board and presented 2 quotes for the Communications tower structure. Motion by Graettinger 2nd by Faulstick to approve a quote with CellSite Solutions, LLC, for \$36,104.25 for the new communications tower structure. Motion Carried.

Sarah Strohman, Community Health Director, met with the Board by conference call to give an update on COVID19 and vaccine. The Palo Alto County positivity rate is 2% and currently there are 5 cases in the county. There is 34% of the population in Palo Alto vaccinated.

No one was present for public comment.

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

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to introduce and approve Resolution 5-4-2021 (B) Approval of Contract BROS-SWAP-CO74(109)---SE-74 and authorization of digital signature. Ayes: All. Resolution Passed.

RESOLUTION 5-4-2021(B)

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as "the Board", believes the Concrete Box Culvert Replacement, hereafter referred to as "the project" is in the best interest of Palo Alto, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as On 400th Ave 0.25 Miles North of Highway 18; and

WHEREAS, the Board has sought appropriate professional guidance for the concept and planning for the project and followed the steps as required by the Code of Iowa for notifications, hearings, and bidding/letting; and

WHEREAS, The Board finds this resolution appropriate and necessary to protect, preserve, and improve the rights, privileges, property, peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of Palo Alto County and its citizens, all as provided for in and permitted by section 331.301 of the Code of Iowa; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by Board to accept the bid from Peterson Contractors, INC. in the amount of \$124,421.25 and awards the associated contract(s) to the same;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed. If any part of this resolution is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the resolution or action of The Board as a whole or any part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Palo Alto County, Iowa, that after receiving the necessary contract documents, including but not limited to, the contractor's bond and certificate of insurance, Walter Davis-Oeth, the County Engineer for Palo Alto County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said County to execute the contracts in connection with the afore awarded construction project let through the DOT for this county.

Dated at Palo Alto, Iowa, this 4 day of May, 2021.

Board of Supervisors of Palo Alto, Iowa

/s/LJ Solberg; /s/Keith Wirtz; /s/Craig Merrill; /s/Roger Faulstick; /s/Ron Graettinger

ATTEST:

By /s/Carmen Moser, County Auditor

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Faulstick to approve the purchase of a used Caterpillar motor grader for \$175,210. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Wirtz to introduce and approve the following resolution #5-4-4021 (A). Ayes: All. Resolution Passed.

RESOLUTION # 5-4-2021 (A)
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AMENDMENT OF CURRENT COUNTY BUDGET
2020/2021

The Board of Supervisors met this date for the purpose of amending the current FY21 County Budget. No objectors were present therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PALO ALTO COUNTY TO adopt the amended budget as published and change the following appropriations as listed:

| Department Number | Department Title | Appropriation Prior to Resolution | Appropriation Adjustment Per Resolution | Final Appropriation Per Resolution |
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| 01 | Board of Supervisors | \$307,319 | \$10,000 | \$317,319 |
| 02 | Auditor (Elections) | \$73,450 | \$725 | \$74,175 |
| 05 | Sheriff Reserve | \$3,800 | \$4,305 | \$8,105 |
| 05 | Sheriff | \$781,914 | \$9,185 | \$791,099 |
| 20 | County Engineer | \$6,954,454 | \$475,000 | \$7,429,454 |
| 22 | Conservation | \$772,927 | \$42,237 | \$815,164 |
| 51 | General Services- Courthouse | \$91,273 | \$400 | \$91,673 |
| 60 | MH-DD Services Fund | \$59,177 | \$10,906 | \$70,083 |
| 71 | Solid Waste Disposal | \$510,460 | \$3,500 | \$513,960 |
| 73 | IRVM | \$165,344 | \$2,654 | \$167,998 |
| 74 | Zoning & Sanitation | \$223,137 | \$600 | \$223,737 |
| 99 | Nondepartmental (Flood & Erosion Const. Struct) | \$11,990 | \$5,000 | \$16,990 |
| 99 | Nondepartmental (Capital Projects) | \$68,000 | \$135,000 | \$203,000 |

Adopted this 4th day of May, 2021 by the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors, with the vote thereon being as follows:

Ayes: ALL.

Nays: None.

Resolution Carried.

/s/LJ Solberg, Chairman

/s/Carmen Moser, Auditor

Rich Hopper, Jacobson-Westegard, met with the Board to give an update on Reclassifications for DD 47, 57, 48 Lat 1, & 92.

Motion by Merrill, 2nd by Faulstick to set the continued hearings on reclassifications for Drainage Districts 47, 57, 48 Lat 1, & 92, on May 18th, 2021, at 9:45 a.m. in the courthouse boardroom. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd Wirtz to introduce and approve the following Resolution setting the temporary redistricting commission.

Ayes: All. Resolution Passed.

Resolution # 5-4-2021

WHEREAS, the United State Department of Commerce conducts the United States Census every ten years;
WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 331.210A states that a Temporary County Redistricting Commission shall be established to adopt the County's precinct boundaries;
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following named individuals shall be appointed to the Palo Alto County Temporary Redistricting Commission:
Ron Mader, Mallard
Peg McNally, Emmetsburg
Fred Wirtz, West Bend
Ann Marie Nelson, Emmetsburg
Jan Helmke, Ruthven

Dated this 5th day of May, 2021.

/s/Linus Solberg, Chair

ATTEST: /s/Carmen Moser, Palo Alto County Auditor

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to appoint Ron Mader as Rush Lake Township Trustee for the remainder of the term ending on December 31, 2024. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Graettinger to appoint Allen Stangl, Bill Brown, and Collin Klingbeil, Engineer, as the appraisers for ROW acquisition on Drainage District No. 61. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Merrill to approve pay estimate to The Driller LLC for \$1,168.00 for retainage on pipe for Drainage District No. 180 Latera 1 Tile. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Merrill to approve hiring part time employees for conservation as follows: Don Larsen--\$16.50 per hour; Carter Murray--\$12.00 per hour; Brody Krieg--\$12.00 per hour; Cade Stearns--\$10.00 per hour. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports: Ron—Upper Des Moines & DECAT; Keith—drainage; Craig—Care Connections of Northern Iowa.

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

Linus Solberg, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor