

Courthouse  
Emmetsburg, Iowa  
June 29, 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 & Jacob Oliver, Reporter/Democrat; 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 Graettinger, seconded by Wirtz to approve the agenda for June 29, 2021. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Merrill to approve the minutes for June 22, 2021. Motion Carried.

Bertha Mathis was present for public comment and presented questions regarding wind turbines.

A Public Hearing was held at 8:30 a.m. to amend the Wind Ordinance for Palo Alto County. Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to open the public hearing to amend the wind ordinance for Palo Alto County. Motion Carried. Present: Harold Christensen, Dean Gunderson, Bertha Mathis, Connie Stangl, Allen Stangl, Del Renneberg, Frank Bringleston.

Linus updated the public on the proposed changes to the wind ordinance. The Board will consider to amend the 550 foot total height provisions and in its place substitute provision for a total wind turbine tower height of 600 foot. The Board will consider to increase and substitute the setback from a permanent residential structure to one half mile (2,640 foot). Comments were made by Bertha Mathis. The Board will consider the proposed changes at the seconded reading of the wind ordinance on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Wirtz to close the public hearing. Motion Carried.

Mark Hunefeld, Emergency Management, met with the Board to discuss the proposed floodplain ordinance.

The Board of Supervisors held a hearing on Drainage District No. 84 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse Boardroom. Present: Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney; Jordan Morey, Auditor's Office; Jon Rosengren & Collin Klingbeil, Bolton & Menk. The Clay County, Buena Vista County and Palo Alto County Boards of supervisors convened by conference call as Trustees of Joint Drainage District 22 Common Outlet.

Linus Solberg was Chair and Carmen Moser was Secretary for the drainage hearing. Present by Conference Call: Buena Vista County, Clay County, Randy Newell, Farmers National Co.

Collin Klingbeil, Bolton & Menk, presented the common outlet report for Drainage District No. 84 and explained the process the commission used to determine the benefits for common outlet repairs. Jim Hudson, Attorney, read objections filed by Randy Newell and Charles Haman. This is a one-time common outlet assessment. Brian Bloomme, Buena Vista Drainage Engineer, and Barry Anderson, Clay County Supervisors questioned the amount of assessment for Jt. 22. The per acre cost is more on Drainage District No. 84.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Faulstick to approve the common outlet report for Drainage District 84 and Jt. 22. Ayes: Solberg, Wirtz, Graettinger, Faulstick. Nays: Merrill. Motion Carried.

Jt No. 22	55.48% benefit	Assessment \$139,820.47
No. 84	44.52% benefit	Assessment \$112,179.53
		Total \$252,000.00

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

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met as Trustees of Drainage District No. 84 at 10:00 a.m. the Election Center, Emmetsburg, for the Reclassification Hearing on Drainage District No. 84.

Present: Collin Klingbeil, Bolton & Menk; Jim Hudson, Attorney; Jordan Morey, Auditor's Office; Jon Rosengren, Bolton & Menk; Connie Stangl, Allen Stangl, Del Runneberg, Frank Bringleston.

Collin Klingbeil with Bolton and Menk presented the Reclassification Report for DD 84 repairs. Collin reviewed the map showing the watershed boundary of Drainage District 84 and explained the use/assessment factors used for Drainage District 84 reclassification.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Faulstick to approve the reclassification report for Drainage District No. 84. Motion Carried.

Mark Zaccone, Invenergy met with the Board to discuss current Drainage Tile within a Solar Field. Present: Dean Gunderson, Aaron Opheim, Dale Opheim, Craig Brownlee, Justin Opheim, Dan Opheim, Mike Kressin, Ronn Naig, Neil Ankeny, Bertha Mathis, Jon Rosengren, Bill Dickey; Mark Zaccone, Gabe Klooster, Tameeon Jahun, Invenergy; Mike Tueten, Ellingson.

Gabe Klooster discussed the operation & maintenance of drainage tile within a solar farm. Invenergy is working with Ellingson to map the main tiles and lateral tiles in the proposed project area. Jim Hudson read Iowa Code Section 468.148 and recommended trenching in the service lines within a solar farm. Planning & Zoning will review the draft solar ordinance in order to keep things moving forward.

Committee Reports: Keith Wirtz--IDDA; Early Childhood.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Merrill to approve the drainage levy for Drainage District No. 28 from 95% to 96%; Drainage District No. 84 108% levy; Jt. 22 Main Open 582% levy; all based on original assessment schedule. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Faulstick to approve the claims for June 29, 2021. Motion Carried.

#### **General Basic Fund**

American Business Phones	Telecommunications Serv.-	55.00
Canon	Photocopy & Dup. Serv.	166.00
Central Iowa Distributing Inc	Custodial Supplies	347.50
Cerro Gordo County Treasurer	Medical & Health Services	50.00
Counsel Office & Document	Data Processing	777.58
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	Dues & Memberships	59.00
GALLS, LLC	Wearing Apparel & Uniform	630.41
Glock Professional Inc	Legal & Ct-Related Servic	250.00
Hy-Vee Accounts Receivable	Food & Provisions	75.94
IA Secretary of State	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	30.00
K & W Electric, Inc.	Buildings	7000.00
Mail Services, LLC	Postage & Mailing	323.36
MEDIACOM LLC	Telecommunications Serv.-	806.25
Carmen Moser	Employee Mileage & Subs.	477.38
Northwest Communications	Telecommunications Serv.-	1339.17
Rooney's Auto & Custom Exhaust	Tires & Tubes	23.99
Solutions Inc.	services	37.95
VISA	Data Processing	206.18
Windstream	phone	154.32

#### **Rural Services Basic Fund**

Bomgaars	Minor Equip & Hand Tools	387.29
Northwest Communications	Telecommunications Serv.-	81.95
Road Builders	Equipment	383.26

Windstream	phone	61.00
<b><u>Secondary Road Fund</u></b>		
AP Air, Inc.	Engineering Services	149.00
Arnold Motor Supply ATT: Sue	Engineering Services	37.91
Ayrshire Farmers Mut Telephone	Engineering Services	41.24
Daniel A Berven	Engineering Services	250.00
Cemstone	Engineering Services	2520.00
Cintas	Engineering Services	83.58
Pat Corley	Engineering Services	250.00
Heritage-Crystal Clean, LLC	Engineering Services	402.74
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	Engineering Services	76.50
Engineer Supply	Engineering Services	42.24
Fareway	Engineering Services	45.84
Fox International, Inc.	Engineering Services	951.18
Graettinger Hardware	Engineering Services	39.98
Alan Grange	Engineering Services	250.00
Mike Hartman	Engineering Services	250.00
MidAmerican Energy	Engineering Services	181.88
Robin K Moore	Engineering Services	139.00
Morton Buildings	Engineering Services	4903.00
MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO	Engineering Services	362.53
Art Mueller, Jr.	Engineering Services	250.00
Murphy Tractor & Equipment	Engineering Services	258.31
Northern Safety Co., Inc.	Engineering Services	184.96
Northwest Communications	Engineering Services	42.62
Ruthven Coop Oil Co	Engineering Services	7726.20
SLASH POINT SALES	Engineering Services	281.25
Staples Credit Plan	Engineering Services	241.09
Swanson Hardware	Engineering Services	80.84
Productivity Plus Account Tita	Engineering Services	203.96
Chris Towell	Engineering Services	250.00
Verizon	Engineering Services	208.04
West Bend Red Power	Engineering Services	273.10
City of West Bend	Engineering Services	96.87
Justin Williams	Engineering Services	250.00
Ziegler Inc	Engineering Services	228.72
<b><u>Emergency Mgmnt Agency</u></b>		
Fareway	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	25.46
Swanson Hardware	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	19.99
<b><u>E911 Surcharge Fund</u></b>		
Ayrshire Farmers Mut Telephone	Engineering Services	150.00
Northwest Communications	Engineering Services	150.00
WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATIONS ATTE	phone	483.04

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

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Linus Solberg, Chairman

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Carmen Moser, County Auditor