

Election Center
 Emmetsburg, Iowa
 May 23, 2023, 8:00 a.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Members present: Ronald Graettinger, Chair; Keith Wirtz, Roger Faulstick, Craig Merrill, Linus Solberg. Present: Diane Weiland, Reporter/Democrat; Peter Hart, County Attorney; Carla Larson, Delray & Jan Bredehoeft, Jim & Sharon Neighbors, Mark Hobart.

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

Ronald Graettinger Chair, called the meeting to order.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the agenda for May 23, 2023. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to approve the minutes of May 9, 2023. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to approve the salary letters for FY24. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, 2nd by Solberg to approve Resolution # 5-23-2023 Amendment of current county budget for FY23. Ayes: Graettinger, Merrill, Wirtz, Solberg, Faulstick. Resolution passed.

**RESOLUTION # 5-23-2023
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 AMENDMENT OF CURRENT COUNTY BUDGET 2022/2023**

The Board of Supervisors met this date for the purpose of amending the current FY23 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 as listed:

Department Number	Department Title	Amendment Prior to Resolution	Amendment Adjustment Per Resolution	Final Amendment Per Resolution
99	Non Departmental (ARPA) (Fund 08000)	\$1,169,120	\$500,000	\$1,669,120

Adopted this 23rd day of May, 2023 by the Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors, with the vote thereon being as follows:

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

Ronald Graettinger, Chairman
 Carmen Moser, Auditor

Carla Larson was present for public comment and requested the amount of money that the Lost Island wind project will bring in property taxes.

Mark Hobart was present for public comment to inform the Board about a tile line that was cut by the installation of a fiber optic line and took over 4 weeks to get repaired.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board to give an update on roads. Walter informed the Board that the crews are working on the shoulders of the B63 project and road grader training is taking place.

Aletha King, Solid Waste, met with the Board to give an update on the Transfer Station. Aletha also presented an open records request that was received regarding the Lost Island Wind project. Aletha has responded to the open records request.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Merrill to accept the drainage petition for repairs on Drainage District No. 6 and hire Clark Abel as the contractor. Motion carried. Kent Malm will oversee the project.

Kent Malm, IRVM, met with the Board to inform them of the DOT grant he is working on the get a new side-by-side for IRVM. Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to proceed with the DOT grant application for IRVM. Motion Carried.

At 9:00 a.m., the Board of Supervisors held the Hearing on Reclassification for Drainage District No. 180 Lateral 1 Tile. Present: Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney; Bob Goodwin, Attorney; Jordan Morey, Auditor's Office; Linda Koppie, Larry Neppl, Al & Sharon Roberts, Rick Elbert, Myram Tunncliff, Mike Hermansen, Roger J. Chism, Steve Cody, Keith Duffy, Nick Steinkamp, Judy Sorensen, Tom Pico, Ted Ellis, Kim Kibbie.

Jim Hudson, Attorney, gave a brief introduction to the classification process and the purpose of the hearing. DD 180 is unique in the fact that the classification process includes agricultural and urban properties.

Jon Rosengren, Bolton & Menk, presented the classification report for the tile improvement project on Drainage District No. 180 Lateral 1 tile. Jon filed Amendment No. 3 to the reclassification report for DD 180. Amendment No. 1 was filed on April 12, 2023; Amendment No. 2 was filed on May 17, 2023. The handouts presented at the hearing included Amendment No. 1, No. 2, & No. 3 and the colored maps showing the total dollars per parcel.

Jon reviewed in detail the factors used in the classification of lands for the DD 180 Lat 1 tile project. The factors used were use factor, proximity, wetness, difference for urban versus agriculture, runoff factor, and age of old main tile. Landowners were given an opportunity to ask questions. Jon presented the railroad special benefits schedule for the Union Pacific Railroad for an assessment of \$220,600. Jon presented the City of Emmetsburg one-time assessment for the special benefit area for Catchment A, B & C for an assessment of \$179,127.20.

The following objections were on file: Ted Ellis, Mike & Pam Hermansen, Myram Tunncliff, Wild Rose Emmetsburg LLC, Cedar River Properties/KW Electric, Ruth A. & Larry J. Neppl. Roger Chism questioned his .4 acres of farmed wetlands.

Jim Hudson, Attorney, presented the objections. The following landowners stated that if the amendments to the report were approved, they would withdraw their objection: Larry Neppl, Cedar River Properties/KW Electric, Myram Tunncliff, Ted Ellis.

Keith Duffy, Attorney, representing Wild Rose Emmetsburg LLC, summarized and presented the objection for the Wild Rose.

Motion by Solberg, 2nd by Merrill to approve Amendment No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 to the Reclassification Report for Drainage District No. 180 Lateral No. 1 Tile and the Board approves the reduced classification for Cedar River Properties/KW Electric contingent upon the completion of the work to reroute their drainage in Section 30 of Freedom Township and notification to Jon Rosengren & the Auditor by June 15, 2023. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to approve the remainder of the reclassification report for DD 180 Lateral 1 tile and the future tile maintenance assessment schedules, railroad special benefits and unique special benefits schedule. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Solberg to set the interest rate at 5% with 20-year waivers due on September 30, 2023. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to introduce and approve Resolution 5-23-2023(A) to continue the INREC Project to establish tile-zone water quality wetlands in Drainage Districts, in support of the current project and direct Auditor to inform the Clay County Auditor. Ayes: Faulstick, Wirtz, Solberg, Merrill, Graettinger. Resolution Passed.

Committee Reports: Wirtz—drainage.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Solberg to approve county claims and drainage claims for May 23, 2023.

Motion Carried.

General Basic Fund

AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	Legal/Ct-Related Ser/Tran	455.00
Amazon Capital Services	Buildings	27.48
Rob Sand, Auditor of State Off	Acct/Audit/Clerical Servi	50561.65
BLUE LAKE WEBSITES ANITRA LARS	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	250.00
Bomgaars	Wearing Apparel & Uniform	325.95
Brew Oil LLC	Cash Allowances	90.00
Central Iowa Distributing Inc	Custodial Supplies	276.50
City of Emmetsburg	Legal/Ct-Related Ser/Tran	60.00
Clay County Sheriff	Inmate Housing-out of cou	3440.00
Crescent Electric	Buildings	510.43
Deitering Bros Inc	Minor MV Parts & Access	107.31
Electronic Services System	Office Equip & Furniture	1666.13
E.M.U.	utilities	101.66
Farm & Home Publishers	Misc Expense	1500.00
Forge & Build North Iowa Lumbe	Buildings	1331.60
GALLS, LLC	Wearing Apparel & Uniform	387.16
Ronald D. Graettinger	Employee Mileage & Meals	387.75
Harris Sanitation	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	256.00
Iowa's Co. Conservation System	Dues & Memberships	1500.00
IA Dept of Transportation	Buildings	285.00
IA Lakes Electric Coop	Electric Light & Power	901.00
Iowa Lakes Regional Water	Water & Sewer	279.82
Robin Jamison	Employee Mileage & Meals	571.23
JCL Solutions	Custodial Supplies	655.16
DON JOYCE	Dues & Memberships	30.00
Karl Chevrolet	Motor Vehicle Equipment	41784.08
KRISTAT AUTO PARTS LLC	Minor MV Parts & Access	917.75
Lawyers Chautauqua	Education/Training/Hotel	175.00
Loffler Companies - 131511	Photocopy & Dup. Serv.	112.42
Lost Island Ruthven Betterment	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	140.00
Martin-Mattice Fun. Home	Funeral Services	2200.00
MidAmerican Energy	electricity	1208.89
Northwest Communications	Radio & Related Equip	142.45
Palo Alto Co Sec Road	Fuels	831.39
Parallel Ag	Minor MV Parts & Access	2783.16
Pilot Rock	Park Maintenance & Suppli	1336.00
Plumbing & Heating Wholesale	Buildings	17.00
POCAHONTAS CO SHERIFF	Inmate Housing-out of cou	248.25
The Print Shop	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	364.30
Quill Corporation	Household & Institutional	95.98
Rouse Tire and Repair, LLC	Tires & Tubes	102.00
Susan Ruppert	Employee Mileage & Meals	71.35
Siegrist, Jones, Lipps & Bakke	Consultants	1552.50
Solutions, Harris Local Gov	services	51156.79
Spencer Office Supplies	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	165.11
Swanson Hardware	Park Maintenance & Suppli	501.40
UMB BANK, N.A. Attn: Diana Van	Misc Expense	1200.00
VISA	Custodial Supplies	694.81
Windstream	phone	655.81
Keith Wirtz	Employee Mileage & Meals	631.40

General Supplemental Fund

IA Secretary of State	Data Processing Services	334.11
MidAmerican Energy	electricity	34.72
American Rescue Plan Act 2021		

Biddle Electric	Misc Expense	3614.23
Buhrow Construction	Misc Expense	15687.99
Rural Services Basic Fund		
Amazon Capital Services	Buildings	129.99
Biddle Electric	Buildings	522.12
Graettinger Hardware	Buildings	310.19
IA Lakes Electric Coop	Electric Light & Power	55.00
Northern Rolloff	Buildings	3605.00
Northwest Communications	Telecommunications Serv.-	113.27
Palo Alto Co Sec Road	Fuels	539.46
Parallel Ag	Minor Equip & Hand Tools	83.43
The Print Shop	Buildings	402.50
Randy's Repair	Motor Vehicle Equipment	99.95
River Valley Telecommunication	Telecommunications Serv.-	85.18
Rooney's Auto & Custom Exhaust	Motor Vehicle Equipment	28.27
Shamrock Recycling, Inc	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	2610.98
Siouxland Scale Service	Equipment	11577.11
City of Spencer	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	10869.70
Swanson Hardware	Buildings	532.45
Vande Berg Scales	Buildings	1263.28
Windstream	phone	65.63
Secondary Road Fund		
Alliant Energy	Engineering Services	15.99
Amazon Capital Services	Engineering Services	788.66
Bauer Plumbing & Heating Inc.	Engineering Services	16049.07
Daniel A Berven	Engineering Services	250.00
Central Iowa Distributing Inc	Engineering Services	275.00
Cintas	Engineering Services	37.54
Don's Truck Sales Inc	Engineering Services	199.53
E.M.U.	Engineering Services	488.38
Fleet Pride Truck & Trailer	Engineering Services	288.12
Douglas Girres	Engineering Services	250.00
Graettinger Hardware	Engineering Services	92.54
Mike Hartman	Engineering Services	250.00
Hiway Truck Equipment	Engineering Services	192.67
IA Lakes Electric Coop	Engineering Services	26.26
K & W Electric Inc	Engineering Services	480.00
Kirkham Michael	Engineering Services	5184.69
Lube Tech Accelerating Perform	Engineering Services	3768.88
Martin Marietta Agg	Engineering Services	4686.46
Michael Todd & Co., Inc.	Engineering Services	506.24
MidAmerican Energy	Engineering Services	535.99
MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO	Engineering Services	278.12
Art Mueller, Jr.	Engineering Services	250.00
Murphy Tractor & Equipment	Engineering Services	12270.85
North Central International Fo	Engineering Services	646.93
Palo Alto Co Auditor	Engineering Services	298.92
Palo Alto Co Health System	Engineering Services	61.00
Parallel Ag	Engineering Services	387.50
Ruthven Coop Oil Co	Engineering Services	27198.74
Solutions, Harris Local Gov	Engineering Services	3036.25
Swanson Hardware	Engineering Services	685.88
Chris Towell	Engineering Services	250.00
Justin Williams	Engineering Services	250.00
Wyatt Wirtz	Engineering Services	250.00
Ziegler Inc	Engineering Services	11249.21

Jail Capital Projects		
E.M.U.	utilities	1039.17
Emergency Mgmt Agency		
Palo Alto Co Sec Road	Parts	170.31
E911 Surcharge Fund		
River Valley Telecommunication	Engineering Services	701.77
Verizon	phone service	3.58
Windstream	phone	358.05
<u>Drainage Claims</u>		
B & W Control Specialists	DD 116-Spraying	586.90
B & W Control Specialist	DD 15S Main-Spraying	487.85
B & W Control Specialists	DD 180 LatA-Spraying	1378.15
B & W Control Specialists	DD 180 Main-Spraying	2656.00
B & W Control Specialists	DD 21 Main-Spraying	711.10
B & W Control Specialists	DD 21Main Lat1-Spray	2198.15
B & W Control Specialists	DD 21MainLat1A-Spray	1052.25
B & W Control Specialists	DD 28-Spraying	1198.15
B & W Control Specialists	DD 80 LatF Open-Spray	1985.10
B & W Control Specialists	DD 80 Low Main-Spraying	3330.10
B & W Control Specialists	DD 80 Up Main-spraying	5679.40
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	DD 61 North-Eng Exp	8479.00
Hudson Law Firm	DD 180 Lat 1-Attny Fee	760.00
King Excavation	DD 81 Repair	2414.00

Motion by Solberg, 2nd by Merrill to adjourn at 10:49 a.m. Motion Carried.

Ronald Graettinger, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor