

Courthouse  
Emmetsburg, Iowa  
August 15, 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; Bill Sullivan, SCS; Madison Pence SCS; Patrick Brown, Diane Nelson.

Unless otherwise indicated, all of 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 and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the agenda for August 15, 2023. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the minutes for August 8, 2023. Motion Carried.

The Board held a public hearing for reading of the Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Tax Sale Certificate on Parcel with Delinquent Taxes. Present: Robin Jamison, County Treasurer. There were no objections on file.

Motion by Solberg, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Faulstick in introduce and approve Resolution 8-15-2023 for Adoption of Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Tax Sale Certificate on Parcel with Delinquent Taxes.

Resolution 8-15-2023

Resolution for Adoption of the Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Tax Sale Certificate on Parcel with Delinquent Taxes Ordinance in Palo Alto County.

Whereas The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors reviewed an Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Tax Sale Certificate on Parcel with Delinquent Taxes on August 1, 2023.

Whereas notice was published in official newspapers of Palo Alto County not less than 4 nor more than 20 days before final adoption.

Now, therefore, be moved by Linus Solberg, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roger Faulstick to approve the Adoption of the Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Tax Sale Certificate on Parcel with Delinquent taxes in Palo Alto County. (Rollcall vote)

Craig Merrill aye  
Linus Solberg\_\_aye\_\_\_\_  
Keith Wirtz\_\_aye\_\_\_\_\_  
Roger Faulstick\_\_aye\_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald Graettinger\_\_aye\_\_\_\_\_

The Board Chairperson therefore declares the Resolution passed and the Ordinance Adopted on August 15, 2023.

/s/Ronald Graettinger  
Attest: /s/Carmen Moser, Auditor  
Palo Alto County

Motion by Wirtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Merrill to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>d</sup> reading of the ordinance. Motion Carried.

Walter Davis-Oeth, County Engineer, met with the Board. Walter presented the bid from McNally Abstract for parcel research on N40 for additional right of way. Walter gave an update on road construction projects.

Motion by Merrill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wirtz to approve the bid from McNally Abstract for title research on N40 for right of way for \$12,600. Motion Carried.

Carla Larson was present for public comment. Carla gave the Board a copy of the Public Notice from FAA regarding Lost Island Wind .

Motion by Wirtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Solberg to appoint Devon Bringelson as Booth Township Trustee to replace Daniel Noonan term ending on December 31, 2026. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Merrill to appoint Gretchen Reichter to the Northwest Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund's Board of Directors. Motion Carried.

Jon Rosengren, Bolton & Menk, met with the Board for the Continued Hearing on Drainage District No. 64. Present: Tyler Bumon, Jeff Stillman, Jim & Jan Stillman, Larry Hoffman, Mark Hobart, Wady Lundgren, Aaron Dietrich, Matt Dietrich, Richard Nelson, Neil Ankeny, Dave Fog; Jordan Morey, Auditor's Office. Jeremy Thilges, NRCS; Harley Butler, NRCS.

The Board held a continued hearing on Improvements to Drainage District No. 64. Jon Rosengren filed Amendment No. 2 to the engineer's report on Drainage District No. 64. Amendment No. 2 included updated estimated assessments and wetland determination map. The total estimated project cost is \$2,172,400. Potential wetland site is being discussed.

Objections were filed by Larry Hoffman.

Motion by Solberg, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Faulstick to approve recommended improvements to Drainage District 64 Main Tile with Extension A; and Lateral J, Lateral G and waterway as alternate and to direct the engineer to proceed with bid letting. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wirtz to direct Jon Rosengren, Engineer, to proceed with annexation and reclassification for Drainage District No. 64. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Solberg to set the interest rate at 5% with 20-year waivers. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports: Roger: Transfer Station.

Motion by Wirtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Solberg to adjourn. Motion Carried.

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Ronald Graettinger, Chairman

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Carmen Moser, County Auditor