

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
October 10, 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; Jim & Sharon Neighbors; Sean Bell, Lost Island Wind.

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 and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Wirtz, 2nd by Merrill to approve the agenda for October 10, 2023. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, 2nd by Solberg to approve the minutes for October 3, 2023. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the Recorder's monthly report for September 30, 2023. Motion Carried.

Melissa Loehr, CEO of Care Connections of Northern Iowa, met with the Board. Melissa presented the 28E Agreement for Care Connections of Northern Iowa with Clay, Osceola, Palo Alto, Kossuth, Winnebago and Worth counties. Melissa updated the Board on changes in the structure of the regional board.

Motion by Solberg, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the 28E Agreement with Care Connections of Northern Iowa. Motion Carried.

Sean Bell, Lost Island Wind, was present for public comment. Sean had no update different from last week. They are continuing to work on engineering and site planning.

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

Motion by Solberg, 2nd by Merrill to approve a utility permit with Graettinger Municipal in Section 1 and 2 of Walnut Township. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Merrill to approve a utility permit with River Valley Telecommunications in Section 33 of Walnut Township. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, 2nd by Wirtz to approve hiring Donald Strohman as Equipment Operator at \$21.59 per hour effective October 13, 2023. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the purchase of a lab trailer for \$25,415. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, 2nd by Solberg to approve the completion of septic grant for \$5,000 to Bill Frederick. Motion Carried.

The Board discussed a repair invoice on Drainage District 23 Lateral 8 tile. Reutzel Contracting agreed to pay \$1,250. The remainder of the bill will be levied against the district.

Committee Reports: Carmen Moser, Auditor, HF718 update.

Dave Walter, HBW Insurance, met with the Board to review the ICAP insurance renewal for FY23-24. The Board reviewed the coverages and deductibles and discussed a cyber security policy.

John Hansen, Midwest Consultants, met with the Board to give a project update on the Public Safety Center. Contractors are working towards a December 15 date to move the communications center.
Present: John King, County Sheriff.

The Board met by conference call with Pocahontas County at 10:00 a.m. to discuss Jt 63 drainage district completion of contract issues. The Board received a letter from the contract's attorney. Jon Rosengren needs to get final amount to contractor. Jim Hudson will response to the attorney. The Joint Board will revisit in 2 weeks on October 24th, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. by conference call.

Motion by Solberg, 2nd by Wirtz to approve county claims and drainage claims for October 10, 2023.
Motion Carried.

General Basic Fund

Amazon Capital Services	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	91.40
City of Ayrshire	Engineering Services	300.00
Central Ia Juv Detention Ctr	Legal/Ct-Related Ser/Tran	702.90
Christina Clausen	Employee Mileage & Meals	36.00
Corporate Translation Services	Audio/Visual Supplies	106.08
EMMETT & SANDRA CURRANS	Engineering Services	5000.00
Emmet Co Public Health	Education/Training/Hotel	3429.63
E.M.U.	utilities	489.30
Emmetsburg Publishing Co.	Official Pub & Legal Noti	338.64
Estherville Printing Co	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	554.20
Fareway	Custodial Supplies	137.59
Jeremy Fulkerth	Engineering Services	300.00
STACI GIRRES	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	30.00
Graettinger Times	Official Pub & Legal Noti	477.23
Harris Sanitation	Sanitation & Disposal Ser	408.00
Vincent H. Heller	Bus	480.00
IMWCA	Workmens' Comp Insurance	1859.55
JCL Solutions	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	109.59
J.W. Repair	Miscellaneous Repair	41.71
TIFFANI KELLER	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	30.00
Dexter Knobloch	Engineering Services	5000.00
Kollasch Land & Livestock	Engineering Services	482.99
Mack, Hansen, Gadd, Armstrong&	Consultants	3250.00
Mail Services, LLC	Postage & Mailing	364.48
MEDIACOM LLC	Telecommunications Serv.-	840.09
MidAmerican Energy	electricity	508.35
Palo Alto Co Comm Health Ser	Board of Health	215.20
Palo Alto Co Emergency Mgmt	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	2110.75
Palo Alto Co Fair Assn	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	17682.43
POCAHONTAS CO SHERIFF	Inmate Housing-out of cou	480.00
Quill Corporation	Household & Institutional	179.53
River Valley Telecommunication	Telecommunications Serv.-	441.43
Ruthven Zipcode	Official Pub & Legal Noti	111.51
Tara Sargent	Rent Payments (time limit	163.00
Silver Lake Shores Owners Assn	Misc Expense	1955.61
HOWARD SMITH	Bus	877.80
Solutions Inc, Harris Local Go	services	453.44
City of Spencer	Engineering Services	500.00
SUNSET LAW ENFORCEMENT	Safety Items	775.00

Swanson Hardware	Custodial Supplies	664.12
George Tonderum	Engineering Services	5000.00
Tyler Technologies, Inc	Misc Expense	449.00
U.S. Postal Service	Postage & Mailing	132.00
VISA	Postage & Mailing	2195.01
Visual Edge IT, Inc.	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	125.57
Wessels Oil Co Inc	Utilities Payments	300.00
West Bend Ford	Minor MV Parts & Access	100.30
West Bend Journal	Official Pub & Legal Noti	110.22
<u>General Supplemental Fund</u>		
Amazon Capital Services	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	62.07
E.M.U.	utilities	79.90
IPERS Collections	Ipers-County Contribution	.79
JCL Solutions	Stationery/Forms/Gen Ofc	31.52
<u>Rural Services Basic Fund</u>		
Bauer Plumbing & Heating Inc.	Buildings	741.51
Emmetsburg Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	13517.25
Graettinger Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	5744.83
IMWCA	Workmens' Comp Insurance	3453.45
Mallard Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	4731.04
Northwest Communications	Telecommunications Serv.-	92.98
River Valley Telecommunication	Telecommunications Serv.-	190.72
Ruthven Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	4731.04
Swanson Hardware	Minor Equip & Hand Tools	297.23
West Bend Library	Contrib to Other Gov & Or	5068.97
<u>Secondary Road Fund</u>		
Abel Drainage & Excavating, Inc	Engineering Services	300.30
Alliant Energy	Engineering Services	139.76
Amazon Capital Services	Engineering Services	196.82
Arnold Motor Supply ATT: Sue	Engineering Services	107.74
Ayrshire Farmers Mut Telephone	Engineering Services	44.02
Blacktop Service Company	Engineering Services	64100.53
Calhoun-Burns & Assoc. Inc.	Engineering Services	2153.90
Central Iowa Distributing Inc	Engineering Services	836.00
Cintas	Engineering Services	75.08
Crysteel Truck Equipment	Engineering Services	355.00
City of Cylinder	Engineering Services	55.00
Deitering Bros Inc	Engineering Services	5048.71
Diamond Mowers, Inc.	Engineering Services	813.45
Emmet County Engineer	Engineering Services	8984.75
Emmetsburg Ford	Engineering Services	205.34
Evora Petroleum Solutions	Engineering Services	199.20
Fleet Pride Truck & Trailer	Engineering Services	1101.66
Graham Tire	Engineering Services	899.48
Graves Construction Co., Inc	Engineering Services	6499.00
H.T.C. Inc	Engineering Services	1499.01
Christopher Hurlburt	Engineering Services	118.00
IA DNR Licensing Section	Engineering Services	465.00
Iowa Lakes Regional Water	Engineering Services	100.74
K.C. Nielsen Ltd	Engineering Services	575.54
KRISTAT AUTO PARTS LLC	Engineering Services	135.96
Midwest Wheel Companies	Engineering Services	2198.00
Murphy Tractor & Equipment	Engineering Services	22070.85
North Central International Fo	Engineering Services	378.30

Nuss Truck & Equipment	Engineering Services	307.63
Northwest Communications	Engineering Services	42.68
Reding's Gravel & Excav Co	Engineering Services	79835.25
Rouse Tire and Repair, LLC	Engineering Services	55.00
Ruthven Coop Oil Co	Engineering Services	42384.27
Solutions Inc, Harris Local Go	Engineering Services	127.60
Swanson Hardware	Engineering Services	293.67
Truck Center Companies	Engineering Services	435.26
Verizon	Engineering Services	240.06
Visual Edge IT, Inc.	Engineering Services	31.25
Ziegler Inc	Engineering Services	358.03

E911 Surcharge Fund

Ayrshire Farmers Mut Telephone	Engineering Services	158.99
MEDIACOM LLC	Engineering Services	209.02
Northwest Communications	Engineering Services	158.99
River Valley Telecommunication	Engineering Services	701.77
Windstream	phone	358.05
WINDSTREAM IA Comm Inc	phone	161.51

Drainage Claims

Myer Tile & Backhoe, LLC	DD 62-Repair	4365.00
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Motion by Merrill, 2nd by Wirtz to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Ronald Graettinger, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor