Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
January 13, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in special session for Sheriff negotiations. Members present: Linus Solberg, Chair; Keith Wirtz, Ron Graettinger, Craig Merrill, Roger Faulstick. Present: Diane Weiland, Reporter/Democrat.

Present: Brent Hinders, Attorney, Hopkins & Huebner; James Theobald, Attorney; Artie Jones and Quan Goodman, Representative of Teamsters Local Union 238; Marie Jensen and Matt Veon, Employee Representatives; John King, County Sheriff.

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

Linus Solberg, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Motion by Graettinger, 2nd by Wirtz to approve the agenda for January 13, 2026. Motion Carried.

The Palo Alto County Sheriff's Office Employee Association met with the Board of Supervisors regarding the initial bargaining proposals for FY27. Brent Hinders presented the proposal from the union and responded with the Board's counter proposal. Initial proposal is on file in the Auditor's Office.

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

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Linus Solberg, Chairman Carmen Moser, Auditor