

Election Center
Emmetsburg, Iowa
April 17th, 2018, 12:00 Noon

The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors met in regular session. Members present: Ron Graettinger, Chair; Craig Merrill, Roger Faulstick, Linus Solberg, Keith Wirtz. Present: Dean Gunderson, Bert Naig, Andrew Stolley.

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

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to approve the agenda for April 17th, 2018, with the addition of public comment and committee reports. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Wirtz to approve the minutes for April 10th, 2018. Motion Carried.

Bert Naig met with the Board for public comment. Bert presented two pages from the county zoning ordinance and questioned the placement of a tower by Cylinder.

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

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Wirtz to approve the utility permit application for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Section 2, of Independence Township. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Wirtz to approve a utility permit application for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Lost Island and Highland Townships. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Solberg to approve utility permit application for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Highland Township. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Faulstick to approve the utility permit application for Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative in Section 32 & 33, of Silver Lake Township. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Merrill to approve the contract with Blacktop Services Co. for \$228,272.39 for the Old Hwy 18 Overlay, Project L-P-1802—73-74. Motion Carried.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to approve the purchase of two dump trucks for secondary roads department. Motion Carried.

Motion by Faulstick, seconded by Merrill to approve the quote from Vogel Traffic Services for \$56,522 for pavement markings. Motion Carried.

Walter discussed with the Board the N40 railroad crossing project. Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to approve N40 railroad crossing project. Motion Carried.

Walter discussed with the Board the replacement of fuel tanks at Graettinger and Ruthven.

At 1:00 p.m., the Board met as Trustees of Drainage District 84. Present: Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney; Don Etlar, Bolton & Menk. Carmen Moser, Auditor. Landowners present: Allen Stangl, Tom Leners, Bob Leners, Frank Bringelson, Brad Rubel, Del Runneberg, Lanny Weishaar, Bill Wuebker, Kent Smith with Stalcup Ag Service for LaDonna Adolf, Mark Thompson, Sunderman Farm Mgmt Co.

A bid letting for repairs to Drainage District 84 was held.
The following bids were received:

1. King Excavation \$ 92,791.00
2. Reutzler Excavating \$107,836.50
3. Luft & Son \$102,796.50
4. LA Carlson \$108,841.00

5. McCarty Custom Inc. \$108,283.60
6. Cory Juergens Const \$115,680.00
7. Valley Contracting \$104,385.00

The Board held a Hearing on Repairs of Common Outlet for Drainage District 84. Don Etlar, Engineer, presented the engineer's report and discussed common outlet. Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney, explained drainage procedures.

Total Cost of Estimated Repair project: \$171,000

Average Assessment if only DD 84 lands were assessed (8,353 ac)	\$20/acre
Average assessment including common outlet (23,580 ac)	\$7/acre

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Faulstick to approve repairs to Drainage District 84 and to set the interest rate at 5% with 10 year waivers for the assessments. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to award the contract to King Excavation for \$ 92,791 for repairs to Drainage District 84. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Wirtz to close the public hearing on Drainage District 84. Motion Carried.

At 2:00 p.m., the Board met as Trustees of Drainage District 175. Present: Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney; Don Etlar, Bolton & Menk. Carmen Moser, Auditor. Landowners present: Don Hoffman, Nick Leuer, Jenifer Berge, Mary Greene, John Rouse, Tom Leners, Bob Leners, Bill Huberty, Nick Fank, Darrel Reed, Farmers National Company, Bob Brown, Randy Loomis.

A bid letting for repairs to Drainage District 175 was held.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to waive acknowledgement of addendum #1. Motion Carried.

The following bids were received:

1. Reutzel Excavating \$427,055.00
2. King Excavating \$412,796.00
3. Luft & Sons \$402,533.00
4. McCarty Custom Inc \$390,587.50
5. LA Carlson \$414,463.00
6. Kory Juergens Construction \$461,785.00

The Board will wait to award the contract the following week for repairs to Drainage District 175.

The Board held a Hearing on Repairs of Common Outlet for Drainage District 175. Don Etlar, Engineer, presented the engineer's report and discussed common outlet. Jim Hudson, Drainage Attorney, reviewed drainage procedures.

Total Cost of Estimated Repair project: \$652,000

Average Assessment if only DD 175 lands were assessed (11,309 ac.)	\$58/acre
Average Assessment including common outlet (27,762 ac.)	\$23/acre

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to proceed with repairs to Drainage District 175 and to set the interest rate at 5% with 20 year waivers for the assessments. Motion Carried.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Wirtz to close the public hearing for repairs to Drainage District 175. Motion Carried.

The Board tabled discussion of the North Raccoon Watershed.

Committee Reports: Craig Merrill—FEMA information.

The Board held a conference call with representatives regarding a conditional use permit for the placement of a tower by Cylinder. Present: Joe Neary and Dean Gunderson. There is a discrepancy regarding the right of way. They will meet at the site on Thursday morning.

Motion by Solberg seconded by Wirtz to adjourn at 4:23 p.m. Motion Carried.

Ronald Graettinger, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor