

Courthouse
Emmetsburg, Iowa
February 4th, 2020 8:00 a.m.

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

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

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to approve the agenda for February 4th, 2020. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Solberg to approve the minutes for January 28th, 2020. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wirtz, seconded by Merrill to approve the Veteran Affairs monthly report for February 3rd, 2020. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Wirtz to approve a liquor license for Happy Campers LLC for a Class B wine permit, Class C beer permit and Sunday Sales. Motion Carried.

Lisa Black, General Assistance, met with the Board to give an update on General Assistance requests for assistance.

No one was present for public comment.

Chris Towell, Assistant to County Engineer, met with the Board to recommend approval of contract for the bridge deck overlay L-B(EB55)-73-74.

Resolution 2-4-2020

Motion by Linus Solberg, seconded by Ron Graettinger to approve and authorize the chair to sign the contracts and bonds of Cramer and Assoc., Inc., Grimes, Iowa for the total cost of \$124,685 for the bridge deck overlay project L-B(EB55)-73-74, on 370th St. 1-mile West of Emmetsburg. Ayes: Merrill, Graettinger, Wirtz, Solberg, Faulstick. Resolution Passed.

Rick Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc., met with the Board for the continued annexation hearing on Drainage District No. 23. Present: Jordan Morey, Auditor Clerk; Michael Garrelts, Barry Fischer, Doug Williamson.

Rick presented the amended annexation report of additional lands into Drainage District No. 23. The amended report is for 79.66 acres. Report on file in Auditor's Office.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Wirtz to approve the annexation report of 79.66 acres into Drainage District No. 23. Motion Carried.

Rich Hopper, Jacobson-Westergard & Assoc., met with the Board for the Completion Hearing on Drainage District No. 23. Present: Jordan Morey, Auditor Clerk; Michael Garrelts, Barry Fischer, Doug Williamson.

Claims for damages were filed by Barry Fischer and Rich Rouse for Lu Etta Seagren. Rick Hopper filed the crop loss report for Drainage District No. 23 for the temporary right-of-way acres.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Merrill to approve crop damages for the following: Robert D. Williamson Farms, Inc. \$14,121.21; Mary Jo Green \$709.20; Lu Etta Seagren Rev Trust \$3,137.85; Robert B. Fenner \$1,600.56; and to pay Barry Fischer for \$1,312.50 for hay damages and Barry Fischer for \$2,007.20 for replacing of fence. Motion Carried.

Motion by Graettinger, seconded by Wirtz to accept the completion of the contract and make final payment to the contractor B & B Farm Drainage for \$121,120.05 for Drainage District No. 23 Main Tile project and to direct the Auditor to make final payment in 30 days. Motion Carried.

Janell Lindell, Horizons Unlimited Inc., met with the Board. Present: Carla Firkins, Karen Brown. Janell presented a proposal for funding due to shortages in state funding and the managed care organization.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Graettinger to approve \$15,000 to Horizons Unlimited, Inc. Ayes: Merrill, Wirtz, Graettinger, Faulstick. Nays: Solberg. Motion Carried.

The Board held a conference call with Bob Goodwin, Attorney, Drainage District 180 in closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1) (C) at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Wirtz to go into closed session at 10:00 a.m. per Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c). Ayes: Merrill, Graettinger, Wirtz, Solberg, Faulstick. Motion Carried.

The Board exited closed session at 10:37 a.m.

Motion by Merrill, seconded by Graettinger to approve \$22 per capita levy for the mental health region for FY21. Motion Carried.

The Board reviewed the proposed FY21 budget.

Committee Reports: Craig Merrill—NW IA Care Connections; Statewide supervisors meeting; legislative meeting.

Motion by Solberg, seconded by Wirtz to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Roger Faulstick, Chairman

Carmen Moser, County Auditor