UNAPPROVED JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD BOARD MEETING REGARDING DRAINAGE DISTRICT 14-C Jefferson County Courthouse 311 S. Center Avenue, Room 203 Jefferson, WI 53549

March 29, 2016 9:30 a.m.

Unapproved Minutes: March, 2016

Board Members Present: David Hughes, Ron Griebenow, Peter Magnoni, Attorney Andrew

Griggs

<u>Call to Order</u> was made by Chairman Hughes at 9:30 a.m. Names of Landowners present are attached to these minutes.

Order of Business

DRAIN 14-C

Chairman David Hughes called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and stated that all landowners present had signed in for registration. The chairman stated the purpose of the meeting which was to involve landowners in the decision to complete a clean out of Drain 14-C. He stated that the computer screen in the room displayed a Goggle map of the land area of the clean out. He reported to the landowners that the members of the Drain Board did walk approximately 75% of the actual drain. Chairman Hughes stated that it had been over 20 years since the last cleanout. Attorney Griggs reported that the value of the benefited acres in Drain 14-C was approximately \$288,000 based upon the most recent county information. The attorney stated that a 25% assessment would raise approximately \$72,000 for total cleanout expense.

The meeting was then opened to questions from the landowners.

JAMES SMITH commented that he was not assessed the last time the drain was cleaned.

NORBERT SAXLEY submitted a written document concerning his position regarding the process followed for the drain cleanout and the cleanup of the debris, stones and silt leveling.

DAN MARKS of the Milford Hunt Club asked if the contractor could clean his area of the drain during the months of July and August because of hunting activity during the following months. The Drain Board stated that the clean out of this drain would be scheduled for after fall harvest, winter, or early spring 2017 depending on weather conditions. The Milford Hunt Club issue would be discussed with the contractor.

There was general discussion and questions from the group concerning information items and to clarify. As part of this discussion the Drain Board did remind the landowners that they must mark/identify tile outlets and survey markers. The Board also discussed that the contractor

would place the silt on the 20 foot easement and spread the silt when dry. The trees would be piled for the landowner to burn or would be piled on the easement with silt piled on top of the trees to speed up decomposition. The landowners were directed to discuss their preference with the contractor when he is on site.

With questions and discussion ending, VIC IMRIE made a motion to assess landowners with benefited acres \$72,000.00 for the total cleanout of Drain 14-C. The motion was seconded and vote by raising hands was conducted by Chairman Hughes.

Vote Results: 9 voted for the motion

3 voted against the motion

Motion carried.

The Drain Board indicated that those in attendance could meet after this meeting with Attorney Griggs concerning a close estimate of their costs for their benefited acres. Chairman Hughes indicated that the Drain Board members could also visit after this meeting with any landowners regarding any questions or concerns.

With no further business before the Drain Board, Chairman Hughes adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting on March 29, 2016,

Peter H. Magnoni Secretary

Attached: Norbert Sixley document Landowner sign in