

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD
Monthly Board Meeting
Jefferson County Courthouse
311 S. Center Avenue, Room 203
Jefferson, WI 53549
March 12, 2018
9:30 a.m.

Board Members Present: David Hughes, Ron Griebenow, and Peter Magnoni

Guests: Dean Jaeger and Ed Soleska

Call to Order was made by Chairman Hughes at 9:37 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

The Drain Board reviewed and approved the minutes of February 12, 2018, Drain Board meeting.

Order of Business

UW EXTENSION WORKSHOP

The Drain Board discussed the workshop held in Jefferson County on March 1, 2018.

DRAIN 44

The Drain Board reviewed the bid proposal received from Kreuziger Drainage. The Drain board tabled the proposal at this time due to funds not received from the current assessment. The Drain Board directed the secretary to contact Kreuziger to determine when they could begin work, the issue with non-availability of funds, and to make clear that the bid document notes, "additional charges", however, any additional charges would require Drain Board review and approval for each occurrence.

DRAIN 41

The Drain Board reviewed and discussed the correspondence sent to Professional Vegetation Management Services arranging for weed inspection on this drain.

DRAIN 36

Dean Jaeger, landowner, submitted a bill for \$20.00 insurance cost which he had paid for insurance on the pump. The Drain Board approved the reimbursement. Mr. Jaeger also asked the Drain board if they approved his cost of \$200.00 for dirt removal on this drain. The position of the Drain Board was that they could not approve this payment as it was not pre-approved and, in addition, the contractor was the person responsible for the removal of the dirt.

Mr. Jaeger presented to the Drain Board a written statement concerning his and Kevin Jaeger's opinion that the 36" depth of the culvert should be lower.

The Drain Board discussed the letter sent to Richard Vela, Wisconsin DOT, regarding the needed repair to drainage where STH16 crosses District 36. The Drain Board directed the secretary to phone Mr. Vela in order to get an update. If this action fails, then he is to contact DATCP for their involvement.

DRAIN 20

Chairman Hughes reported to the Drain Board that the clean out had been completed on this drain. The invoice for the work has been received. The invoice was questioned by the Drain Board as the amount charged was greater than the estimate. The Drain Board approved a partial payment of \$15,000.00. Chairman Hughes will follow-up with both the contractor and landowner on this issue. The Secretary was directed to follow-up on the payment to Western Culvert for culvert delivery.

DRAIN 14-B

Ron Griebenow reported that all trees had been removed. Weather did stop work on the actual ditch cleaning. This ditch cleaning should be completed in the near future.

NEW BUSINESS

Ed Soleska asked the Drain Board if the drainage area on his farm was in a drainage district. The Drain Board indicated it was not and directed Mr. Soleska to Jefferson County Zoning to get aerial views of his farm to review his drainage issues.

The Secretary reported to the Drain Board that the County mileage reimbursement rate had increased from 53.5 cents per mile to 54.5 cents per mile effective January 1, 2018.

Secretary Magnoni passed out the Revised County Drainage Board Handbook with new revisions to the Drain Board members.

The Drain Board discussed the upcoming court hearing scheduled for March 14, 2018, regarding the Notice of Administrative Dissolution of Suspended Drainage Districts.

The Drain Board approved the following bills for payment:

	<u>DRAIN #</u>
a. Griggs Law Group	multiple drains
b. We Energies	36
c. Dean Jaeger	36
d. Andy's Excavating (\$15,000.00)	20
e. Kreuzinger Drainage (\$2,700.00)	44

The next meeting will be held on April 9, 2018, at 9:30 a.m.

With no further business before the Drain Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Respectfully submitted for meeting of March 12, 2018,
Peter H. Magnoni, Secretary