

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD

Monthly Board Meeting

Jefferson County Courthouse

311 S. Center Avenue, Room 202

Jefferson, WI 53549

April 8, 2019

9:30 a.m.

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

Landowner Present: Aaron Johnson, Drain 15D, telephone #920-650-0808

Call to Order was made by Chairman Hughes at 9:36 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

The Drain Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the March 11, 2019, Drain Board meeting.

Order of Business

DRAIN 36

The Drain Board continues to await the meeting to be scheduled by the D.O.T.

DRAIN 44

Ron Griebenow reported that the Bank of Waterloo wants to do the loan, however, the County Treasurer has concerns with this loan. The Drain Board directed the Secretary to do research on the question of doing an assessment at this time with implementation after December 31, 2019. The research is to be done with DATCP. The Drain Board requested that Attorney Griggs discuss the loan with the County Treasurer and call Kreuziger Drainage about the delay in payment, working out a delayed payment agreement with interest. The Drain Board also discussed that the Herr Drilling Insurance claim has not responded regarding the status of the claim.

DRAIN 14-MAIN

The Drain Board set the date for the landowner meeting for Thursday, May 9, beginning at 10 a.m. This date is also the date for the May Drain Board meeting. The meeting room is confirmed for Room 202 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

DRAIN 2

Ron Griebenow reported that he still did not know if the landowner assessment had been sent out. Secretary Magnoni reported that continuous follow-up has not produced any response from Fish Drainage concerning where work had been done on this drain.

STATUS OF DATCP (DISSOLUTION)

Secretary Magnoni reported on the March 21, 2019, Circuit Court hearing. He stated that Drain #1 was put on a temporary hold until May 20, 2019. Action on Farm Drain

#24 was delayed until a petition is filed to remove the stop work order. Drain numbers 11, 13, 17, 18, and 19 were dissolved effective on March 21, 2019.

Secretary Magnoni reported that following the Circuit Court hearing on March 21, 2019, he sent emails to County offices concerning the status of these drains. These emails were sent after consultation with DATCP and included the following: (email 4/3/19)

1. Remove the dissolved farm drain numbers from the real estate tax billings
2. Remove these drain numbers from the financial reports "Drain Fund" with any current balances to be transferred to County Treasurer.
3. Files for these farm drains currently in file cabinets located in Planning and Zoning are to be placed in storage.
4. Any materials held by Drain Board members need to be given to Secretary Magnoni for storage.

DRAIN 23 (DANE COUNTY DISSOLUTIONS)

Secretary Magnoni reported that the meeting held in Dane County concerning their Drain #23 (which flows into Jefferson County Drain #15) resulted in Dane County's Drain Board voting to reactivate (remove stop work orders) from this drain (#23).

OLD BUSINESS

DRAIN 20

Ron Griebenow reported that Contractor Jaeckel had made considerable progress on both tree removal and was cleaning silt from the Drain.

DRAIN 16

Chairman Hughes reported he had not received any updates. This topic still needs to be discussed with the D.O.T.

DRAIN 15

There is no update concerning costs for the Britzke Bridge matter.

NEW BUSINESS

DRAIN 16

Secretary Magnoni reported on his site visit at the David Hubner property for culvert replacement. The Drain Board directed Ron Griebenow to order the culvert and coordinate the installation. Ron is to order a 30 foot x 36 inch culvert from Weston. He is also to replace the culvert on the Sayre property.

DRAIN 15

Chairman Hughes has requested a copy of the Court Order from the Circuit Court for the Britzke Bridge Court proceedings.

DRAINS 15 AND 36

Chairman Hughes and Ron Griebenow requested that Secretary Magnoni complete research through DATCP on the matter of assessing municipalities (Sun Prairie and Deerfield) for water discharge into Farm Drains. This research is to include Dodge County as it relates to Drain #36.

DRAIN #15-D

Landowner, Aaron Johnson requested the Drain Board have an assessment and cleaning on Drain #15-D. The Drain Board indicated that the current drain projects were backlogged and they would place Mr. Johnson's request on a waiting list. This drain cleanout request would not be possible until after fall crop out.

The Drain Board approved the following invoices for payment:

	<u>DRAIN #</u>
a. Griggs Law Group	multiple drains/dissolution costs
b. We Energies	36

Secretary Magnoni reported on the followup with We Energies and Dean Jaeger concerning the fall shut off of the pump and the pump's turn on in spring.

The detail of invoices paid can be reviewed in the County Finance Office, Room 109, Jefferson County Courthouse.

The next meeting of the Drain Board will be on Thursday, May 9, 2019, beginning at 9:30 a.m. This date is also scheduled for the Landowner Assessment hearing for Drain 14-Main. Room 202 has been reserved at the Jefferson County Courthouse Building, Jefferson, Wisconsin.

With no further business before the Drain Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted for meeting of April 8, 2019,

Peter H. Magnoni, Secretary
Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board