

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD

Monthly Board Meeting

Jefferson County Courthouse

311 S. Center Avenue, Room 202

Jefferson, WI 53549

July 8, 2019

9:30 a.m.

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

Board Attorney Present: Andrew Griggs

Call to Order was made by Chairman Hughes at 9:31 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

The Drain Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the June 10, 2019, Drain Board meeting.

Order of Business

DRAIN 36

Attorney Griggs stated that D.O.T. cancelled the meeting dates in July due to State hearings. Alternate dates in August were discussed for the meeting with Tuesday through Thursday selected as best days for the Drain Board. Attorney Griggs to set date and time.

DRAIN 2

The Drain Board approved payment to reimburse Jeff Gerner for the repair work done by Fish Drainage. Attorney Griggs stated that the check voucher must include the wording, "Payment in Full" and no late interest is to be paid.

Chairman Hughes adjourned the Drain Board monthly meeting at 9:55 a.m. to conduct the Landowners' Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. for Drain #1 (see separate minutes for this meeting).

Chairman Hughes called the monthly Drain Board meeting back into session at 11:08 a.m.

DRAIN 44

The Drain Board discussed the contact made by insurance company adjuster, John Simon. Mr. Simon was expected at this meeting, however, he had scheduling conflicts and is requesting a different meeting date.

OLD BUSINESS

DRAIN 15A

Attorney Griggs reported no cooperation by the Town of Lake Mills. He informed the Board he is sending a letter to the Town Board notifying them that he is proceeding to garnishment.

DRAIN 16

Hubner culvert and clean out of the Sayre property was discussed and the contractor progress was updated.

NEW BUSINESS

Secretary Magnoni reported that the continuing search of County records has produced documentation of signed court petitions which dissolved Drain #25 and Drain #34 a number of years ago.

The Drain Board approved the following invoices for payment:

	<u>DRAIN #</u>
a. Griggs Law Group	multiple drains
b. Jeff Gerner (reimbursement to Fish Drainage for repair work)	2
c. Jaeckel Brothers	multiple drains

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 Monday, August 12, 2019, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

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

Respectfully submitted for meeting of July 8, 2019,

Peter H. Magnoni, Secretary
Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD
Landowners' Meeting Regarding Drain #1
Jefferson County Courthouse
311 S. Center Avenue, Room 202
Jefferson, WI 53549
July 8, 2019
10:00 a.m.

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

Board Attorney Present: Andrew Griggs

Landowners Present: Names of landowners present are recorded in the Registration Book and are attached to these minutes.

Call to Order was made by Chairman Hughes at 10 a.m.

Order of Business

DRAIN 1

Chairman Hughes introduced the Drain Board members and Attorney Andrew Griggs.

Attorney Griggs gave background of DATCP filing for dissolution and history of this drain. The question before the Court is to either reinstate or dissolve this drain. This drain has had no activity for 75 years which could require engineering to determine the actual drain and who has benefited acres. The engineering could be expensive for the landowners. Judge Brantmeier wanted the landowners to have this last opportunity to understand this issue.

The landowners raised various questions such as cost of engineering, the cost to establish this drain, the positive and negative effects of dissolution versus reinstatement of the drain, and who would benefit if the drain were reinstated.

Following questions and discussion the Drain Board asked the landowners for an expression of interest to either dissolve or reinstate the drain. One landowner stated that he was in favor of dissolving the drain; all others present said they could not decide at this point. There were five landowners not present at this hearing.

Attorney Griggs stated that the final court hearing was scheduled for October, with the notice of date and time to be sent to the landowners by the Circuit Court.

Chairman Hughes adjourned the meeting at 11:08 a.m. following this period of landowner questions, comments, and concerns.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Magnoni, Secretary
Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board