

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD

Monthly Board Meeting

Jefferson County Courthouse
311 S. Center Avenue, Room 202

Jefferson, WI 53549

January 11, 2021

9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER was made by Chairman Hughes at 9:33 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Board Members Present – Hughes (via Zoom), Griebenow, Magnoni, and Attorney Andrew Griggs (via Zoom)
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Board approved the agenda for January 11, 2021
4. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE: Agenda posted on County website
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Drain Board approved the minutes of the December 14, 2020 board meeting.
6. CORRESPONDENCE: None
7. CITIZENS PRESENT: David Christensen (920) 285-2309; Randall Berg (920) 988-7768; and Anita Martin (via Zoom)
8. REPORT OF DRAINS:

A. DRAIN 45

Landowners David Christensen and Randall Berg requested a cleanout of Drain 45 due to silt fill-in and general maintenance. The Drain Board requested that Ron Griebenow contact Jaeckel Brothers, who did the prior cleanout to get a cost estimate prior to proceeding. This drain will not need an assessment as current funds in the drain should be adequate.

B. DRAIN 15A

Chairman Hughes reported that Engineer Dan Prunuske did an on-site inspection and could see the obstructing stones on the drain bottom which was causing boiling of waters and back-up. Attorney Griggs told the Drain Board that the court hearing on Britzke Bridge was still scheduled for 1 p.m. on January 19th. Ron Griebenow and Secretary Magnoni are to be at Attorney Griggs' office prior to 1 p.m. as the hearing will be on Zoom. Chairman Hughes went on to report that he had completed a cost analysis of all costs associated with this Britzke Bridge issue which totaled \$16, 904.76.

C. DRAIN 15MAIN through 15D

Chairman Hughes presented the cost analysis he had completed, addressed to Cindy Diestelmann, requesting journal voucher transfers to properly allocate cost distributions. A copy of this analysis is attached to the minutes.

D. DRAIN 44

1. Chairman Hughes informed the Drain Board that Engineer Dan Prunuske was reviewing the Drain 44 engineering plans as a result of communications received from Bart Chapman of DATCP.

2. Attorney Griggs reported that he had sent the Drain Board's position to the insurance company regarding the current status of the insurance claim settlement. No response had been received at this time.

E. DRAIN 20

Ron Gribenow reported that Contractor Jaeckel was currently in the process of cleaning out and repairing culverts in this drain.

F. DRAIN 32

Attorney Griggs reported that landowner notifications would be sent out later this month for the assessment meeting scheduled for February 15, 2021 at 10 a.m. The landowner assessment meeting will be combined with the monthly Drain Board meeting which is scheduled one week later than normal second Monday of the month.

Attorney Griggs requested that Secretary Magnoni submit to him the Drain Board's best estimate of tiling occurrences that may have occurred in the various districts.

9. PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS NEEDING FURTHER DISCUSSION

Ron Gribenow reported that Contractor Jaeckel told him that Landowner David Hubner ordered and paid for a culvert and also paid Contractor Jaeckel directly to install the culvert. This culvert replacement was previously approved by the Drain Board, however, this approval required the Drain Board to be notified prior to installation to make sure the culvert was the proper size.

10. OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW:

Secretary Magnoni reported that he had spoken to President Richard Gumm of the State Drain Board Association regarding the annual meeting. President Gumm reported that due to the virus situation the 2020 annual meeting was rescheduled for March 2021.

11. APPROVAL OF INVOICES

The Drain Board approved the following invoices for payment:

	<u>DRAIN #</u>
a. Griggs Law Group	Multiple drains

The detail of invoices paid can be reviewed in the County Finance Office, Room 309. Jefferson County Courthouse.

12. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Drain Board will be Monday, February 15, 2021, beginning at 9:30 a.m. This meeting is being held in conjunction with the Landowners' Meeting Drain 32 for assessment and cleanout.

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

With no further business before the Drain Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting of January 11, 2021.
Peter Magnoni, Secretary, Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board