

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD

Monthly Board Meeting
Jefferson County Courthouse
311 S. Center Avenue, Room 205
Jefferson, WI 53549
September 12, 2022
9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER was made by Chairman Hughes at 9:30 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Board Members Present – Chairman Hughes (Zoom), Secretary Magnoni and Ron Griebenow.
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Chairman Hughes to approve the agenda. Seconded by Ron Griebenow. Motion carried.
4. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE: Agenda posted on County website
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairman Hughes made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022, monthly Drain Board meeting. Motion seconded by Ron Griebenow and passed.
6. CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from Tyson Barnes (Drain 16) and Patrick Welsh (Drain 41)
7. CITIZENS PRESENT: Gary Cook (Drain 16) telephone # 920-650-1162
8. REPORT OF THE DRAINS:

A. DRAIN 16

Secretary Magnoni reported that the information from Tyson Barnes was misunderstood. Mr. Barnes was referring to side culverts in the southwest corner of Drain 16, not southeast. With Mr. Barnes' involvement, Chairman Hughes and Secretary Magnoni will meet on site prior to the October Drain Board meeting. Gary Cook, landowner in Drain 16 also was present and spoke in support of this repair/replacement. Mr. Cook will also be invited to be present when the site visit is held. Tyson Barnes did send photos of the culverts which were part of the discussion on this issue.

B. DRAIN 44

Chairman Hughes reported that Engineer Dan Prunuske has requested from DATCP (Bart Chapman) the exact issues on their request as there appears to be no benefit as a result of the DATCP request. No response has been received from DATCP as of the date of this meeting.

C. DRAIN 36

Chairman Hughes reported that Engineer Prunuske did have written information concerning who installed the culvert under Hwy 16. This written information was forwarded to Chairman Hughes, who then forwarded this information to Bruce Degner. Bruce Degner then sent the information on to D.O.T. who had claimed they had no information regarding who had originally installed this culvert.

Chairman Hughes adjourned this meeting at 10 a.m. to move into session for the Landowners' meeting of Drain 41. Minutes of the Landowners' meeting are recorded separately. The list of those who attended the Landowners' meeting are attached to those minutes.

Chairman Hughes called the September Drain Board meeting back into session at 10:55 a.m.

C. DRAIN 36 (CONTINUES)

Secretary Magnoni stated that Attorney Griggs had rendered a verbal legal opinion that the replacement of the culvert under the private landowner's driveway would be the expense of the Drain Board. The private driveway is black-top which will raise the cost of this replacement. Ron Griebenow is to get separate bids from both Jaeckel Brothers for the culvert replacement and from a company who will replace the black-top. Ron Griebenow reported to the Board that the Town of Ixonia had put culvert extensions on Fox Lake Road to the end of the township properties. This report was for information only.

D. DRAIN 15

Chairman Hughes reported that a meeting with the City of Cambridge is being scheduled to discuss the drain cleaning of the deadfall tree removal. He will report the outcome of this meeting during the October Drain Board meeting.

DRAIN 16

Secretary Magnoni reported that the Badger Solar Project was experiencing a delay due to supply issues. Ranger Power will keep the Drain Board informed. The approval document which the Drain Board must review and approve will be mailed out shortly.

9. PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS NEEDING FURTHER DISCUSSION – None

10. OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW:

DRAIN 33

Secretary Magnoni presented photographs of two beaver dams in this drain. He stated that a trapper had been summoned and had set traps in the drain. Secretary Magnoni asked for authorization to pay up to \$75.00 for the removal of the dams after the beavers had been removed. Chairman Hughes made a motion to approve this request, motion seconded by Ron Griebenow and carried.

11. APPROVAL OF INVOICES

The Drain Board reviewed and approved some invoices for payment.

	<u>Drain #</u>
a. We Energies	36
b. Griggs Law Group	Multiple drains

The detail of invoices paid can be reviewed in the County Finance Office, 302 South Center Avenue, mobile offices across from the County building.

12. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

The date for the next meeting of the Drain Board is Monday, October 10, 2022, at the Highway Department Committee Room located at 1425 Wisconsin Drive, Jefferson, Wisconsin beginning at 9:30 a.m.

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

With no further business before the Drain Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m. Moved to adjourn by motion by Chairman Hughes and seconded by Ron Griebenow. Passed.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting of September 12, 2022
Peter Magnoni, Secretary, Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD
Landowner/Public Hearing Meeting for Drain 41
Jefferson County Courthouse
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Jefferson, WI 53549
September 12, 2022
10 a.m.

1. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: David Hughes (via Zoom), Peter Magnoni, Ron Griebenow, and Attorney Andrew Griggs
2. LANDOWNERS PRESENT: Names of Landowners present are recorded in Registration Book and are attached to these minutes.
3. CITIZENS OR GUESTS PRESENT: See Registration Book
4. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hughes called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.
5. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Chairman Hughes stated that he was asking Attorney Griggs to conduct this meeting due to his limitations being on Zoom.

Attorney Griggs explained the purpose of the meeting. He then stated that the benefits totaled \$68,727.53 with a 5% administrative load of \$3,436.38.

Ron Griebenow reported that an estimate by Jaeckel Brothers was \$4,300.00 for cleaning the ditch; culvert replacement - \$2,500.00; for two 48" culverts; repairing culverts costing between \$2,000.00 and \$3,500.00; and spraying of the ditch (two applications) - \$3,000.00.

Attorney Griggs stated that a 22% assessment would generate \$15,119.00.

Attorney Griggs then asked for concerns or opinions from landowners concerning this need for assessment to complete the above work. There was a strong feeling expressed that some landowners took the time and expense to keep their part of the drain tree free, however others in the drain did not which then resulted in the drain becoming overgrown and requiring the need for the assessment. All landowners in the drain would share in the expense of the assessment to clean the drain which was needed because some landowners did not keep their section of the drain clean.

After considerable discussion Attorney Griggs stated that a motion needed to be made by the landowners in order to proceed forward. This would be an advisory vote only. Bruce Degner made a motion to approve a 22% assessment to raise \$15, 119.00. The motion was seconded by Ben Degner. Attorney Griggs then called for the vote. The vote totals: 6 yes and 6 no. Secretary Magnoni made a motion to delay the Drain Board decision on this assessment until the October Drain Board meeting. Ron Griebenow seconded the motion. The roll call vote was Magnoni – yes, Griebenow – yes, and Hughes – no. The motion carried.

Attorney Griggs adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

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

TELEPHONE NUMBER (920)

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Peter,

Here are the pictures you requested. The outlet of the pipe has dropped about 2 feet and is laying in the bottom of the ditch. No water comes out of the end of the pipe. As you can see in the one picture the water comes out way back in the bank and has the ditch bank eroded and undermined. I'm afraid the bank will soon cave in and plug this tile which drains a large chunk of ground on 3 different properties. There is always water draining from this tile.

This tile drains into the far southwest end of Lateral 4 of drainage district 16 located on the Koch property. This is the only drainage district tile line in drainage district #16. This outlet pipe contents to a 10" tile.

Once the tile crosses into our property from Koch's property it is reduced down to an 8" tile. That is because in November 1995 the 10" drainage district tile was replaced due to needed repair in many places with an 8" tile because the contractor said that was the largest he could put in. His machine was not capable of installing a 10" tile. This has caused drainage issues being under sized. I would like to discuss this with the drainage board at a future date. For now I would like to see the outlet pipe get repaired as soon as possible.

Thank You for attention in resolving this problem.

Let me know if you have any questions. Cell: 920-728-2681 or email: ttjbarnes@yahoo.com.

Tyson Barnes

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Sheryl Gahagan <sheryl.gahagan@gmail.com>

Jefferson County Drainage district No. 41

1 message

Sheryl Gahagan <sheryl.gahagan@gmail.com>

Thu, Aug 25, 2022 at 11:53 AM

To: "<pwelsh1@wi.rr.com>" <pwelsh1@wi.rr.com>, Sheryl <sheryl.gahagan@gmail.com>

This letter is being sent on behalf of Partick Welsh and Sheryl Gahagan.

Recently, we received a letter from the Jefferson County Farm drainage board stating that there was to be a hearing in regards to a drainage ditch for Jefferson County Farm Drainage District No. 41.

Patrick called and spoke to Peter Magnoni and Tracey Saxby from the Jefferson County courthouse. During this conversation he was advised to write a letter stating that we do not own any property on drainage No.41, we are not a farm and there is a farmer that owns the farm property next to us, this was discussed with Peter on the call that Patrick placed.

We would not be financially responsible for any charges that would be incurred for clean out of drainage ditch No.41.

We were also advised that due to the fact that the drainage ditch is not on our property that we would not need to be in attendance at the September 12th meeting at the Jefferson County Courthouse.

Patrick did attempt to reach out to the Law firm as well via a phone call and left a message on voicemail Monday August 22nd.

We will be reaching out again to both the law firm and Peter Magnoni via a phone call to confirm receipt of this letter.

Thank you in advance for your consideration,

Patrick Welsh and Sheryl Gahagan
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