# UNAPPROVED JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD

Monthly Board Meeting
Highway Department Committee Room
1425 South Wisconsin Drive
Jefferson, WI 53549
October 10, 2022
9:30 a.m.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER was made by Chairman Hughes at 9:31 a.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL: Board Members Present Chairman Hughes, 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: (a) Chairman Hughes made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2022, monthly Drain Board meeting. Motion seconded by Ron Griebenow and passed. (b) Ron Griebenow made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, Drain 41 Landowners' meeting. Seconded by Chairman Hughes and carried.
- 6. CORRESPONDENCE: None
- 7. CITIZENS PRESENT: Tim Neitzal and Greg Rugnow, landowners/Drain 41; Anita Martin and Patricia Cicero
- **8. REPORT OF THE DRAINS:**

## A. DRAIN 16

The Drain Board reviewed the correspondence and photographs submitted by Tyson Barnes of the drain tile issue in the 4<sup>th</sup> lateral of Drain 16. The Drain Board agreed to visit the site with engineering maps following this Drain Board meeting.

Secretary Magnoni reported that he had received a call from Nick Haus, who stated that he represented Alliance Energy. Mr. Haus requested a meeting with the full drain board as a problem and drain damage has occurred on site due to ground disturbance and very high recent rain fall. Secretary Magnoni set the date of October 20 at 9 a.m. for that meeting to take place at the main yard of County Road J. Secretary Magnoni will request a legal opinion concerning the issue of public notice when access to a site is under restricted security enforced control.

Secretary Magnoni reported on Stantec's proposal for approval of the Badger Solar Project. Magnoni's reading of the proposal indicated that Stantec had met all requirements spelled out by the Drain Board that were sent to Ranger Power dated May 12, 2022. He indicated that Stantec/Ranger Power want to move ahead to secure both the Drain Board's and DATCP's approval although Badger Solar Project will be delayed until 2024 due to supply shortages.

#### B. DRAIN 41

Tim Neitzeal and Greg Rupnow, landowners, spoke about their concerns with the proposed maintenance of this drain. The Drain Board, after reviewing all future needs of

the drain, moved forward on a motion by Chairman Hughes to approve a 22% assessment to raise \$15,119.00 This motion was seconded by Ron Griebenow and carried.

#### C. DRAIN 15

Chairman Hughes reported that he is in the process of setting up a meeting with Cambridge city officials regarding removing deadfall trees from the residential section of this drain.

#### D. DRAIN 36

Ron Griebenow reported that after additional review it now appears that there is not a need to replace the culvert under the landowner's driveway. With this additional review in mind there is no longer a need to get a cost estimate for the driveway black top replacement. Ron Griebenow suggested the Drain Board table this issue unless additional information is received.

# 9. PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS NEEDING FURTHER DISCUSSION

#### **DRAIN 36**

Chairman Hughes commented on the DOT response submitted by Engineer Dan Prunuske concerning the notice that they/DOT did not have on file, specifically material concerning the issue of culvert replacement under Hwy 16. Engineer Prunuske does have a complete file including the impact statement prepared by his office. The Drain Board minutes of October 9, 2017, also addressed this issue as did the meeting held at the DOT in Madison. This information is being forward to DOT by Dan Prunuske

## **DRAIN 33**

Secretary Magnoni reported that the beaver problem is more severe as more reports are coming in from north of I94 toward the city of Waterloo. A trapper has been contacted and he is trapping, however, his traps are catching raccoons instead of beavers. A new attempt will be made after November 1 when the trapping season begins. Additional beavers are also being reported in Drain 14, Milford Hills Hunt Club and north of Navan Road.

# 10. OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW: None

# 11. APPROVAL OF INVOICES: None

## 12. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

The date for the next meeting of the Drain Board is Monday, November 14, 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 11:15 a.m. Moved to adjourn by motion by Chairman Hughes and seconded by Ron Griebenow. Passed. The Drain Board then left to complete the inspection of the damaged culverts/tiles in Drain 16.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting of October 10, 2022 Peter Magnoni, Secretary, Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board