

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD
Monthly Board Meeting
Highway Department Committee Room
1425 South Wisconsin Drive
Jefferson, WI 53549
August 14, 2023
9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER was made by Chairman Hugues at 9:31 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Board Members Present – Chairman Hughes, Secretary Magnoni and Ron Griebenow.
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chairman Hughes made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of presenter, Lucas Vellema (Drain 15). Motion seconded by Ron Griebenow and carried.
4. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE: Agenda posted on County website
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Ron Griebenow made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2023, monthly Drain Board meeting. Motion seconded by Chairman Hughes and passed.
6. CORRESPONDENCE: None
7. CITIZENS PRESENT: Anita Martin, Patricia Cicero, Bruce Degner, and Lucas Vellema
8. REPORT OF THE DRAINS:

A. DRAIN 36

Bruce Degner reported he met with the drilling contractor who, after reviewing the project, stated that without question this culvert repair is the responsibility of the D.O.T. This contractor, who does work with the D.O.T., wanted to meet with them before giving a bid for the work to be done. There was discussion by the Drain Board of various approaches to be taken in order to complete this necessary work.

B. DRAIN 15

- a. Chairman Hughes reported that the work on the deadfall tree removal has been completed at the south end of Drain 15 in Cambridge. (photos are attached to the minutes)
- b. Lucas Vellema appeared at the Drain Board meeting and presented the work his firm does for land clearing, grubbing, forestry, mulching and spraying of trees and brush growth. He stated that he will send an email to Chairman Hughes concerning the costs for services his firm could provide. The Drain Board would like to have work done on Drain 15 where clean out occurred last year.

C. ALL DRAINS

The Drain Board discussed annual drain inspections and reviewed drain fund balances. It is hoped that videography services might provide some help for this work that needs to be done. No action was taken at this time.

9. FINANCE REPORT

Patricia Cicero distributed the Flexible Period Report and Budget Analysis for the current period and projected 2024. This report was information only with no action taken by the Drain Board.

10. PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS NEEDING FURTHER DISCUSSION

- A. Review of the letter to Drain 20 landowners was not completed for this meeting and will be on the agenda at a future meeting.
- B. Patricia Cicero presented some projected costs for use of the county's videography services. These estimated costs would include cost per hour, one hour for data analysis, one hour for filming development, etc. The Drain Board discussed having the County film Drain 15 after crop out from Britzke Bridge north to County O at Kroughville. No action was taken by the Drain Board.
- C. The Drain Board discussed the County work agreement. No action was taken.

11. OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW:

Secretary Magnoni reported that he attended the work group meeting for the Erosion Control and Stormwater Management group. The proposed ordinance had an exemption for agricultural facilities and practices (#2 under 4/Applicability). A copy of the proposed ordinance was provided to the Drain Board members. The ordinance was approved by the work group and sent to the Finance Committee for their review, meeting later this month.

12. APPROVAL OF INVOICES:

The Drain Board received and approved

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| a. Griggs Law Group | Drain #15 |
| b. We Energies | Drain #36 |
| c. Jaeckel Brothers | Drain #20 |

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

13. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Drain Board will be on Monday, September 11, 2023, at the Highway Department Committee Room located at 1425 Wisconsin Drive, Jefferson, Wisconsin beginning at 9:30 a.m.

14. MOTION TO ADJOURN

With no further business before the Drain Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m. Motion made to adjourn by Ron Griebenow and seconded by Chairman Hughes. Passed.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting of August 14, 2023
Peter Magnoni, Secretary, Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board