

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD  
Monthly Board Meeting  
Highway Department Committee Room  
1425 S. Wisconsin Drive  
Jefferson, Wisconsin 53549  
April 8, 2024  
9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER was made by David Hughes at 9:33 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Board Members Present – Chairman Hughes, Secretary Magnoni and Ron Griebenow.
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to approve by Chairman Hughes, 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 March 11, 2024, monthly Drain Board meeting. Motion seconded by Chairman Hughes and passed.
6. CORRESPONDENCE: None
7. CITIZENS PRESENT: Brian Udovich and Anita Martin
8. REPORT OF THE DRAINS:

**A. DRAIN 36**

Brian Udovich reported that the meeting with the D.O.T. did take place. The D.O.T. stated that they would again review this issue of culvert replacement under Hwy 16. The Drain Board will await their review. Secretary Magnoni reported that he met with Attorney Griggs and discussed the D.O.T. position regarding culvert replacement under Hwy 16. Attorney Griggs suggested he review possible legal approaches that might be in order. However, the Drain Board will await Mr. Udovich meeting results before proceeding.

**B. DRAIN 33**

-Secretary Magnoni reported he now has the name of the property owner north of I-94. He was not able to reach the property owner, however, will keep trying.  
-Dale Guentenberg requested that the spraying of part of this drain near the Michel farm might be necessary. Secretary Magnoni did contact Michel and did a site visit to the ditch. Mr. Michel requested we wait until crop-in to determine need. Secretary Magnoni indicated this drain needed an assessment before proceeding. No action was taken.

**C. DRAIN 16**

Secretary Magnoni reported that Randy Bermke of Alliant Energy has requested a post construction drainage review. No date or time has been set as of now. When a date and time is set Secretary Magnoni will send them on to Drain Board members.

**DRAIN ADDITIONS**

**DRAIN 15 MAIN THROUGH 15D**

Secretary Magnoni stated that attorney Griggs has requested that Drains 15 Main through 15D needed an assessment at this time. Following discussion, the Board Chairman Hughes made a motion to approve the assessment of these five drains targeted for the summer months. Ron Griebenow seconded the motion which carried. Secretary Magnoni stated that due to the large number of landowners in these drains he would attempt to schedule the County Board Room. This will be done when the date is set and the current landowner's names are sent to Attorney Griggs from Land Information.

9. FINANCE REPORT

- Patricia Cicero reported that she had discussed this issue with the County Executive, Ben Wehmeier, regarding these unpaid bills and why they should be paid with county budget funds. Mr. Wehmeier indicated he would discuss this issue with Mark DeVries in Finance to resolve this issue.
- The quarterly County Finance Report was not available for this meeting.

10. PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS NEEDING FURTHER DISCUSSION

- The Erosion Control and Storm Water Ordinance:  
Anita Martin reported that this ordinance was being discussed in Planning and Zoning. She stated that a letter was sent to the Town Boards requesting input on this issue.
- Solar Ordinance:  
This ordinance continues to remain with the Design Committee.

11. OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW: None

12. APPROVAL OF INVOICES:

- The Drain Board received and approved the following invoices:
- a. Jaeckel Brothers                      Drain #41

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, May 13, 2024, at the Highway Department Conference Room, 1425 South Wisconsin Drive, Jefferson, WI 53549, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

14. MOTION TO ADJOURN

With no further business before the Drain Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:17 a.m. Motion made to adjourn by Ron Griebenow and seconded by Chairman Hughes.. Passed.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting of April 9, 2024  
Peter Magnoni, Secretary, Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board