

JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD

Monthly Board Meeting
Highway Department Committee Room
1425 S. Wisconsin Drive
Jefferson, Wisconsin 53549

June 10, 2024

9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER was made by David Hughes at 9:36 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: Chairman Hughes made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2024, monthly Drain Board meeting. Motion seconded by Ron Griebenow and passed.
6. CORRESPONDENCE: See agenda-DRAIN AGENDA ADDITIONS
7. CITIZENS PRESENT: Patricia Cicero and Bruce Degner
8. REPORT OF THE DRAINS:

A. DRAIN 1

Secretary Magnoni reported that the landowner's request and failure to address the Drain Board last month was due to misunderstanding the meeting time and thereby arriving for the meeting at the incorrect time. They did request to attend this Board meeting, however, no one has appeared to present their request for reinstatement at today's Board meeting.

B. DRAIN 41

Chairman Hughes reported that he had contacted Andy's Excavating to schedule a review the site for culvert replacement with Ron Griebenow. Ron Griebenow reported that Andy's Excavating has not contacted him. The Board suggested that Ron call Andy's to follow up.

C. DRAIN 36

The written response from D.O.T, has not been received. There is a question from the D.O.T. whether or not the same size culvert should be used or should the size be increased? The Drain Board's position is to keep the same size culvert. The procedure now is to check with Brian Udovich and then send a letter to the D.O.T., under Chairman Hughes signature, stating the Drain Board's position to use the same size culvert. Bruce Degner reported that additional record searches at the Town of Ixonia, going back to 1917, did not help.

D. DRAIN 15 MAIN THROUGH 15D

The Drain Board discussed various actions that needed to be taken to prepare for the planned September 16 assessment meeting. These actions include: 1. Does the assessment include watershed or district? 2. Discussion as to the need for this assessment. 3. The need to notify and request from Dane County the names and addresses of residents in Dane County. 4. The assessment for the Town of Lake Mills, and the request to Land Information for the names and addresses of all landowners in these drains. Secretary Magnoni reported that the County Building for the assessment meeting was not available so he made arrangements for the Highway Department conference room.

E. DRAIN AGENDA ADDITIONS

Chairman Hughes reported he had received a call from a landowner in Drain 24. Chairman Hughes referred the caller to the Zoning Office as the issue was due to a commercial enterprise. Chairman Hughes also said he received a call regarding Drain 30 from a landowner who stated that a culvert was completely blocked near North Oakland Road. Chairman Hughes then phoned Dennis Kutz to correct the blocked culvert issue. Secretary Magnoni reminded the Drain Board that this drain does not have funds with a possible assessment not scheduled until late fall. This situation should be considered an emergency and Mr. Kutz will need to wait for payment.

9. FINANCE REPORT

Patricia Cicero distributed the current period's report. She said that the Finance Department had received an invoice from Attorney Griggs for 2019 Drain #1 dissolution. For some unknown reason, the Finance Department paid this unapproved bill and charged the county's annual Drain Board allocation. This action left the previous unpaid bill outstanding, and it is possible the Drain Board's allocation will be insufficient to operate until the end of the year. The Drain Board approved the payment for Drain #1 dissolution from 2019, as it had already been paid. The bill for Drain #1 and the other outstanding legal bill were to be paid by Jefferson County (see memorandum from Judge Brantmeier, attached to the invoice for dissolution). They were not to be charged to the budget allocation of Drain Board. Patricia Cicero is to meet with the Finance Department concerning this issue.

10. PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS NEEDING FURTHER DISCUSSION

- a. No new information on plat books
- b. No additional information on Drain 33 inspection.
- c. No updates on Erosion Control or Solar Ordinance

11. OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW-None

12. APPROVAL OF INVOICES:

The Drain Board received and approved the following invoices:

- a. We Energies Drain #36
- b. Griggs Law Group Drain #1

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, July 15, 2024, at the Highway Department Conference Room, 1425 South Wisconsin Drive, Jefferson, WI 53549, beginning at 9:30 a.m. This **will be** a Zoom meeting.

14. MOTION TO ADJOURN

With no further business before the Drain Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Motion made to adjourn by Chairman Hughes and seconded by Ron Griebenow Passed.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting of June 10, 2024

Peter Magnoni, Secretary, Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board