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JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Jefferson County Building
Room C1021, 311 South Center Avenue
Jefferson, WI 53549
February 9, 2026
9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER was made by David Hughes at 9:31 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Board Members Present – Chairman Hughes, Ron Griebenow, and Secretary Magnoni
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ron Griebenow made a motion to approve the agenda. Chairman Hughes seconded the motion 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 January 13, 2026 monthly Drain Board meeting. Motion seconded by Ron Griebenow and passed.
6. CORRESPONDENCE: Assessment hearing memo attached to the agenda.
7. CITIZENS PRESENT: Bruce Degner, Matt Zangl, Cyndy Pitzner, Tracy Saxby, Kim Buchholz, Mike Abendroth, and Lee Abendroth
8. REPORT OF THE DRAINS:

A. Comments from Guests-To be discussed under Drain 16

B. DRAIN 41

- The Drain Board discussed the scheduled time, location, and Barton Chapman, DATCP, conducting the assessment meeting and the need for the meeting.
- Ron Griebenow stated that Attorney Griggs will get notices out to landowners by the due date of February 25, 2026. However, Attorney Griggs stated to Ron that he would not chair the meeting.
- Chairman Hughes stated that Ron Griebenow will need to have both bids/estimates for 2-48" culverts and 1, 72" culvert, both cost and replacement, not later than March 9, 2026
- Matt Zangl stated that he will have computer maps for the Drain 41 culvert location available, and also stated the County will provide security personnel during this meeting.
- Chairman Hughes stated that Engineer Max Kolb will have an estimate of engineering costs available for this meeting if the 72 inch culvert is approved for Drain 41.

C. DRAINS 15 MAIN, A, B, C, AND D

Chairman Hughes reported that Contractor Jaeckel was currently working the center area 15A and then will do brushing both north and south from Britzke Bridge.

D. DRAIN 16

Landowner Mike Abendroth addressed the Drain Board stating that the recent drain clean out lowered the water level below the road access culvert on Hwy 18. He was wondering if this condition would erode underneath the culvert and cause problems. This culvert is on DOT land and Mr. Abendroth did have a permit from them to repair the culvert if necessary. The Drain Board was asked at what elevation to set the culvert. Chairman Hughes recommended that the elevation be as close as possible to the existing elevation. The Drain Board did suggest that Mr. Abendroth contact the DOT for additional gravel to be added to this access area above the culvert.

- Secretary Magnoni reported that a Jefferson County invoice had been sent to Badger Solar for reimbursement to Drain 16 for expenses paid from this account.

E. DRAIN AGENDA ADDITIONS

- Tracy Saxby reported that they had coordinated with the Finance Department who will now send to the Zoning Department copies of invoices for insertion into designated drain files. Secretary Magnoni reported that a number of documents and attachments were given to Tracy Saxby to photograph and place into each of the District Drain files. Tracy stated that this effort was complete with all copies in their files
- Ron Griebenow reported he had a call from a landowner in Drain 45 indicating that a touch up needed to be done. Ron will do an inspection of this condition.

9. FINANCE REPORT-

Patricia Cicero was absent from the meeting so no report was distributed.

10. PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS NEEDING FURTHER DISCUSSION- None

11. OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW-None

12. APPROVAL OF INVOICES:

No invoices were received for approval or payment.

13. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Drain Board will be on Monday, March 9, 2026, at the County Building, Room C1021, 311 South Center Avenue, Jefferson, WI 53549, beginning at 9:30 a.m. This **will** **be** a TEAM meeting.

14. MOTION TO ADJOURN

With no further business before the Drain Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m. Motion made to adjourn by Ron Griebenow and seconded by Chairman Hughes. Passed.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting of February 9, 2026
 Peter Magnoni, Secretary, Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board