UNAPPROVED
JEFFERSON COUNTY FARM DRAINAGE BOARD
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Jefferson County Building
Room C2063, 311 South Center Avenue
Jefferson, WI 5354
August 10, 2026
9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER was made by David Hughes at 9:43 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL: Board Members Present – Chairman Hughes, Ron Griebenow, Secretary Magnoni, Bruce Degner, and Cyndi Pitzner
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chairman Hughes made a motion to approve the agenda. Ron Griebenow 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 July 13, 2026 monthly Drain Board meeting. Motion seconded by Ron Griebenow and passed.
6. CORRESPONDENCE: Ron Griebenow stated he had received notice of drain blockage on 14C.
7. CITIZENS PRESENT: Matt Zangl, Tracy Saxby, and Patricia Cicero
8. TEAM ATTENDEES: Mike Miller, reporter from Watertown; he refused to explain why he was on TEAM access.
9. REPORT OF THE DRAINS:

A. Comment from Guests: None

B. DRAIN 20

No one was present to present the Todd Watermslm engineering report.

C. STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING FOR 2026

-Secretary Magnoni reported these meetings will not have TEAM access.
-Cyndi Pitzner and Bruce Degner reported they had attended the meeting in Dane County and felt it was informative and worthwhile.

D. BUDGET REPORT 2027

Peter Magnoni reported he had attended the August 4 meeting of the Finance Committee to request the budget increase of 20%. The following are the key points of the meeting:

1. I was treated very well and the Finance Committee seemed pleased with the work of the Drain Board.
2. Marc DeVries explained to the Finance Committee why I was at this meeting.
3. I presented actual expenditures from 2023 through 2026 and why we were asking for an increase based on Patricia Cicero's budget forecast.
4. Marc DeVries suggested we do not increase the allocation but pass a motion to allow the Drain Board to request additional funding for 2027 if needed.
5. A motion was made and seconded to allow the Drain Board to return for additional funding if needed. Roll call and motion passed.
6. It was suggested that the Drain Board should return to the Finance Committee before funding runs out. It was also suggested that meetings of the Drain Board or external meetings not be cut out, drain work should not be delayed or scheduled into the future to solve funding shortfalls.

E. DRAIN ALLOCATION

Chairman Hughes reported on the updating of the parcel splits and checking the allocation of beneficial acres. This work will require a great deal of time in the future months.

F. DRAIN AGENDA ADDITIONS-None

10. FINANCE REPORT-

Patricia Cicero distributed the August 2026 financial report. She stated that per diem and mileage expense reports need to be turned in every month.

11. PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEMS NEEDING FURTHER DISCUSSION-

Secretary Magnoni reported he had not received drone filming cost list.

12. OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW-None

13. APPROVAL OF INVOICES:

The Drain Board approved the following invoices for payment:

a. Wisconsin Electric Drain #36

Details of invoices paid can be reviewed in the County Finance Office, 311 South Center Avenue, Jefferson, Wisconsin.

14. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Drain Board will be on Monday, September 21, 2026, at the County Building, Room C2063, 311 South Center Avenue, Jefferson, WI 53549, beginning at 9:30 a.m. This **will be** a TEAM meeting.

15. MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Chairman Hughes to adjourn this meeting at 9:37 to go into closed session for discussion of a legal issue. The motion was seconded by Bruce Degner and carried.

16. A motion was made by Chairman Hughes to move to closed session to discuss legal issues. The motion was seconded by Secretary Magnoni and carried.

17. A motion was made by Chairman Hughes to adjourn the closed session, seconded by Bruce Degner and carried.

Respectfully submitted for the meeting of August 10, 2026,
Peter Magnoni, Secretary
Jefferson County Farm Drainage Board