

**MINUTES OF THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kramer, Van Eperen, Nettekoven, Van Asten, Vander Heiden

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Christensen, Administrative Assistant; Harland Volkman, Town of Osborn; Sean Bekx, Bob Givens – Omni Associates; Jerry Iverson – 4708 Timber Row; Brad Johnson – N6587 Co Road C; Jim Simon – N4728 Co Road PP.

The Board meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Kramer.

Minutes of October 3, 2017 – Van Asten moved, seconded by Van Eperen to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call: 5 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Public Participation –

Brad Johnson appeared before the Board with questions concerning the Duck Creek Annexation. The Board reported various studies have been completed and more are still on-going. The proposed boundary lines have been revised and were reviewed. Issues regarding the sediment in the ditches on Ballard were discussed. The Board will be holding another information meeting when everything is compiled with the property owners affected prior to making a final decision whether to annex.

Jerry Iverson appeared before the Board with questions concerning the Timber Row/ Amberwood/Bentwood Estates project status. The Board is waiting for final plans from the Town of Grand Chute that need to be revised due to requests from DATCP.

Jim Simon here checking on progress along Krueger Road and the south end – Duck Creek District. Nettekoven reported there are some trees to cut, land owners need to be contacted. Owners will be directly contacted. DNR will need to be contacted if permits are required. The soils along Krueger Road is hydric soils. An issue is where to go with soils. Kramer will meet with Greg Baneck, LCD, to see what needs to be done. There is a blockage down around Meade Street.

Duck Creek Annexation

Omni did a profile of current elevation on the west side legal drain, approximately 4,200 feet. There is a drop in elevation of approximately 4' on the west side from Mullen Road to the weir. Sampling was done on the east side ditch but not on the west for sedimentation. On the north end the elevation is higher than the culvert. Existing culverts are 24" at Mullen Road. Sediment samples and culvert sizes need to be verified. Another option would be installing a crossing and not using culverts.

Van Asten moved, seconded by Vander Heiden, to have Omni Associates provide sediment samples and verify ROW based on county's GIS along legal drain from Ballard Road to weir and the west side ditch on Ballard Road, not to exceed \$5,000. Roll call: 5 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Harland Volkman recommended using plastic culvert pipe due to the acid in the ground. Galvanized pipe would last approximately 25 years.

Discussion was held on proceeding with the clean out of the legal drain from Ballard Road to the weir. Property owners were previously notified via mail, contact should be made again to advise them work will be occurring. Tree cutting will begin after deer hunting. This area needs to be completed prior to cleaning out the ditches on Ballard Road. The LCD should to profiles from Stingle Road to the weir for the next phase.

Nettekoven and Volkman met with Dan Knutzen, Town of Black Creek, regarding cleaning out ditches on both sides of Ballard Road. Knutzen was agreeable to budget funds to help with the ditch cleanout. The 2 towns would initially pay for the cost of the ditch cleanout and then the Drainage Board would consider taking over the ditch as a legal drain and do future maintenance.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Amberwood/Bentwood – Jason, Al and Baneck met with Grand Chute. A 36” pipe may not work, McMahon is rechecking elevations. Pipe may be smaller. Matt Woodard, DATCP, questioned how much water is going through the swamp. There are discrepancies with what they are proposing. The area by the condos and Bob Heimmerman have been cleaned up. Anything left will be buried.

A Public Hearing will need to be held on the Amberwood/Bentwood project due to the private connection into a legal drain. The Public Hearing needs to be published 2 times prior to the hearing date. DATCP will not approve the project unless a public hearing is held. Until Grand Chute provides final calculation information as to what is being done, a hearing cannot be scheduled.

Center Valley District – nothing new to report on the Richley issue. Baneck, Nettekoven, Koehnke, and Kramer met at the proposed dredging area between Center Valley Road and County S regarding leaving the standing trees. Koehnke will report back to his department for their comments.

A complaint from Clark Schabo, Center Valley District, was referred by Judge McGinnis to the Board. A proposed solution to the area would be extending the lateral from Center Valley Road to the woods. Christensen will compile the previous actions on this issue that were discussed with Mr. Schabo to Judge McGinnis and meet with him to discuss.

A complaint from Bob Kiefer, Vandenbroek District, was referred by Judge McGinnis to the Board. – Van Asten will contact Mr. Kiefer again as to his concerns.

Senate Bill 263 – The bill has not been passed, should be by the end of the year.

Village of Little Chute Special Assessment Payment – Christensen has had contact with Teri at the Village of Little Chute and has been informed they will provide the ERU report and payment should be received within the next 10 days.

Approval of 2017 Assessmet Rates for Districts of Center/Grand Chute, Freedom, and Oneida-Hobart

Van Asten moved, seconded by Vander Heiden to approve the special assessment rates for: Center/Grand Chute District - \$4.00 per acre/\$40.00 minimum; Freedom District - \$2 per acre/\$30.00 minimum; Oneida/Hobart District - \$4.00 per acre/\$40.00 minimum. Roll call: 5 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Paul Delcore, request to combine 2 parcels for Special Assessment Calculation

Van Asten moved, seconded by Van Eperen to approve combining Parcels 090072201 and 909972204 owned by Paul Delcore for special assessment calculations. Roll call: 5 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the parcel owned by the Seymour School District, it was verified they are being assessed Freedom District drainage fees.

Review of Invoices – Reports were distributed of expenses/revenues through October 31, 2017.

Board members were provided a copies of the Annual Meeting minutes for various districts.

Nettekoven moved, seconded by Van Eperen to adjourn at 10:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Christensen
Administrative Assistant