

MINUTES OF THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

August 7, 2018

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Christensen, Administrative Assistant; Greg Baneck, Land Conservation Department; Harland Volkman, Town of Osborn; Jim Schloff, Davel Engineering

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

Minutes of July 5, 2018 –Van Asten moved, seconded by VanEperen to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call: 5 aye, 0 nay. Minutes approved.

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Greg Baneck reported that the draft inspections report should be available prior to the next meeting. The summer intern Cody is continuing on doing surveys and up-dating records. He leaves the end of this month. Weed spraying in the districts should begin soon. The UTV is being checked over and repaired as necessary.

NEW BUSINESS

Vandenbroek District – Relocation and Wetland Permitting, City of Kaukauna – Davel Engineering

Jim Schloff, from Davel Engineering, appeared before the Board. Randy Calmes, property owner, is requesting the current stream/ditch be re-located to another area of the property to allow development. A meeting was held with the DNR, Davel, and representatives of the City of Kaukauna. The Drainage Board or Land Conservation Department had not been previously contacted about the meeting with the DNR and City of Kaukauna and was not in attendance. The ditch in question is under the authority of the Drainage District and DATCP. Approval would be needed prior to any relocation by DATCP and the Drainage Board.

Baneck stated, the district has to do annual inspection and needs access to the ditch, the proposed plan on the north side of the ditch is too narrow to allow access. The area around the proposed is wetland enhancement. (Meaning wetlands that would be relocated) By shortening that segment and dumping into the main quicker, will there be issues downstream? This needs to be looked at. When maintenance is being completed, north and west, we need a crossing to access both areas. DNR is peripheral to the approval, DATCP has final approval.

DATCP will have to look at the numbers to show that it is not going to increase water levels downstream. They have to review and approve the plan. A public hearing will be required on the final proposed plan which will be 6 to 8 weeks turn around. DATCP will probably required a hydrologic analysis. DATCP will need to be contracted as to what is needed. Mr. Schloff was not sure if the final profiles were complete.

OLD BUSINESS

Amberwood/Bentwood – The ditches are done, the area needs to be cleaned up, some topsoil needs to be hauled in. Culvert needs to be cut off and end wall pulled back on the north side, east end of condos.

No shrubs/trees between driveway and ditch will not be allowed. If the owners are going to mow the area, we will add additional topsoil. If not, the area is complete as is. Maximum of 2 loads of stone will be placed on Bob Heimann's driveway.

Center Valley – Richley property – The Attorney has reported depositions will be needed in the next 30 days. Kramer will keep in contact with the attorney.

Duck Creek Annexation – comments from the DNR staff were received from those on the tour of the area on July 18. The Board reviewed the comments. The Board will instruct Omni to proceed with the design of a shallow ditch following the stream history for the drainage ditch design.

Pump Repairs

Pump on Hooyman Rd - the pump was pulled and is at Stilen's. The bottom bearing is out.

New culvert pipes and gate repairs are needed. Scherer's may install the culverts. The gate on the downside should be on the other side which would allow us to install pump gates in the future. Flap gates should be used to prevent back flow into farmer's fields.

Scherers is not allowing buffers on his and the Gehring property. Boelter Road buffers are also back. Culverts are needed, Scherers would install but someone needs to be present to establish elevations. Baneck will have Cody on-site when the installation is done. Control gates will be on both ends.

Pump in Shiocton, has been cleared of brush and trees and the area seeded. The motor is set back on but not hooked up. Gate needs to be lubricated. Area should be sprayed annually to keep brush and vegetation down.

Hooyman Rd pump – The flap gate, the chain is broken and needs to be welded. The gate is currently closed. Kramer will contact a vendor to repair the gate and platform

DATCP Letter – There was a telephone conference with DATCP on July 17 regarding up-dating the mapping for the legal drain ditch corrections. DATCP followed up with a letter listing their procedures for these up-dates. Basically, when maintenance has been completed in the entire district legal ditches, their procedures would be followed to adopt the documented ditches as the official map. When BT2 performed the mapping revisions in 2002, in areas they used the bottom of the ditch with the sediment not the original base of the ditch.

Districts Issues -

Mike Salter property – west of PP, north of Ott Road, legal ditch was dug out - Greg Nettekoven spoke with owner. A couple of days later the ditch was dug out 1 foot lower than culverts in the road, tiles are higher in the ditch, with rough edges creating more sediment. Looks like the work was done with a high-hoe. No permission was given to do any work. The Board agreed a certified letter should be sent to Mike Salter of the violation and any future excavations would require permission and/or permits and may result in the owner paying for repair charges.

Reassessment of the Center/Grand Chute Drainage District – A proposal was received from Omni for the reassessment of special assessments to property owners. Tabled to the September meeting.

Weir to Stingle Road – notices were sent out in February for ditch maintenance/tree removal. Greg N. will walk the ditch with Norm Steffens and see what needs to be done. Work should proceed this fall.

Harland Volkman reported the ditch through Lorraine Steffens' property, the water level remains higher that should be. Is there obstructions in the ditch? Ditch will be checked to see if work needs to be done.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 4 at 8:30 a.m. at the Highway Department.

Vander Heiden moved, seconded by Van Asten to adjourn at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Christensen
Administrative Assistant