

MINUTES OF THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
September 4, 2018

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Van Asten

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Christensen, Administrative Assistant; Greg Baneck, Land Conservation Department; Harland Volkman, Town of Osborn; Bob Givens, Omni; Brad Johnson, N6587 County Rd C, Seymour; Residents of Timber Row Condo Association – Glenn Wiegand, Carol Wiegand, Mike Lien, Karen Lien, Karen Dix, Ruth Christian, Sue Kerzisnik, Bev Armstrong, Sandy Verhoeven, Jerry Iverson.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

Minutes of August 7, 2018 – Nettekoven moved, seconded by Vander Heiden to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call: 4 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent. Minutes approved.

Timber Row – landscaping of berm area

Jerry Iverson and Mike Lien presented pictures of the drainage ditch and berm. Van Eperen and Nettekoven met with the condo residents on August 28 to discuss the berm. The resident's concerns are: 1) prevent erosion of the berm; 2) landscape the berm on north side of ditch to natural area and provide access to the corridor for the Drainage Board; the condo association would come back in October with a landscape plan, from a landscaper at their expense. They are concerned there is erosion at the bridge around the 36" culvert. On the northeast corner of the bridge there are rocks (referenced WI SS 88.68)

Comments from other residents of Timber Row:

Karen Weigand – 1st builder in the area. Moved there because of the nature. Wants her neighbors to have same view as her

Karen Lien – Bought property in 2016 due to landscape and privacy. Would like it reasonably return to the original landscape

Sue Kerzisnik – same as above

Beverly Armstrong – here to support everything the neighbors have said. Don't want to erode our property or their investment

Mike Lien – Through the process, owners have been good neighbors. We have volunteered to mow and do up-keep of the area. There is erosion on both sides. He realizes one must follow the codes. ATCP 48 references the Board has the authority to allow vegetative plantings.

President Kramer commented that the Drainage Board has been a good neighbor too and communicated with the Association.

Nettekoven asked if the association would considered wildflowers on the berm.

Iverson asked if there is there an established distance between trees to allow maintenance? By State Statutes, a 20 foot minimum corridor is required on both sides from the top of the ditch.

Lien commented that he had 4.5" inches of rain this weekend. If we would not have berm we would have been flooded. 3.9" was proposed as flooding per McMahon study. Discussion was held on the depth of the corridor needed to operate equipment. The area excavated was seeded the day after the work was complete, due to the 3" of rain erosion has occurred.

Baneck suggested we need to put down netting and straw to stop the erosion on the berm and slopes. The netting will make mowing a challenge.

Lien also stated that if their contractor states he can't mow the berm, they have no options to mow.

Sue Kerzisknik – Would the DB pay for the wildflowers? Kramer responded the Board would be willing to consider it. Kerzisknik suggested contacting the Wild Ones for seed. Baneck said they work with prairie plantings on bigger tracks and it takes a while to get established. Generally it is mixed with grass seeding also. The Drainage Board does maintenance spraying to control weeds and woody brush.

Mike Lien – Prairie plantings would eliminate the mowing costs but does not return it to how it was. Lien is concerned about the large stone that is eroding way on both sides of the bridge. There is a whirlpool effect on the north side of the bridge creating erosion. LCD will check out the bridge and if stone is required either us or Grand Chute will need to take care of it.

Iverson – so within a very short time grass/seeding, reinforcement of wild flowers needs to take place. Baneck stated there is a seeding window for planting that will need to take place, a winter seeding after the frost or within a fall seeding window. Netting would also have to be placed to hold the seed. Dependent on costs and availability of seed both sides will be considered to be done.

Lien reported that Bob Heimann has requested, as he is required on the easement to maintain the road section, to have placed $\frac{3}{4}$ " crush on the road. The low areas need to be corrected and the erosion that has happened needs to be removed/repared.

Nettekoven moved, seconded by Van Eperen to restore the banks with the wildflower and forb mix seeding, place netting, and haul $\frac{3}{4}$ " crushed gravel into the area of Timber Row. Motion carried. Roll call: 4 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Duck Creek Annexation – Bob Givens, Omni – The DNR has agreed there is stream history in this area. He has calculated out 1 – 3 year storm event. The figures are not favorable to the area requiring a 23 to 50 foot wide channel. The Board requested Givens to prepare a proposed ditch profile and send it to DNR for their comment.

Omni Engineering Contract for Center Grand Chute Re-assessment of Special Assessments – Nettekoven moved, seconded by Vander Heiden to authorize the Omni contract for \$20,150 to have a reassessment of the Center/Grand Chute Drainage District for special assessment purposes. Roll call: 4 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

LCD Report

Summer Intern is done this week.

Spraying – currently too wet, the area in Freedom that was sprayed has been affected.

2018 Annual Inspection Reports

Nettekoven moved, seconded by Van Eperen to send letters for buffer violations found during the 2018 inspections. Roll call: 4 aye, 1 absent. Motion carried.

District Reports

Center Valley District – Richley legal lawsuit – consensus was to proceed with discussions with the Attorney.

Black Creek/Bovina District – pump should be re-installed next week.

Vandenbroek District - Kieffer survey – Kramer will call Kieffer to advise him that unless he provides the Board with a survey map showing the location of a survey pin in this area, the Board will not proceed with a survey. All maps the Board has reviewed shows the property line north of the drainage ditch where a survey marker is. That area was not part of the excavated area during the ditch cleanout.

Vander Heiden moved, seconded by Van Eperen to adjourn at 11:18 a.m.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Christensen
Administrative Assistant