

**MINUTES OF THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
JANUARY 2, 2019**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Al Kramer Jr., Greg Nettekoven, Jason Van Eperen, Mike Van Asten, Gerald Vander Heiden

OTHERS PRESENT: Christina Howard, Land Conservation Administrative Assistant; Greg Baneck, Land Conservation Department; Harlem Volkman, Town of Osborn

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

Minutes of December 4, 2018 – Van Asten moved, seconded by Vander Heiden to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call: 5 aye, 0 nay. Minutes approved.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION COMMENTS: Harland Volkman questioned a bill from the Drainage Board and wasn't sure if the \$9,100 was already credited for this invoice or if this invoice was sent prior to the payment they made of \$9,100. Nancy Christenson called in during the meeting and was able to answer his question.

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Baneck reported Ken Olson has been working in Duck Creek District, Meade Street to County Road PP, cleaning out ditches. Baneck checked in on Ken regularly when he was digging.

Baneck shot grade in the Black Creek/Bovina District for Macke Road pipe replacement. Pipes are in, new gates are on. Inlet elevation was dropped about a foot and a half. They put the gate on the downstream side, the guard is on the outlet side, not the intake side. It should be switched. Kramer will work on handling this.

OLD BUSINESS

Center Valley District – County Road A/S – Richley Property legal issue – Kramer hasn't heard anything yet and is hoping to hear more with the holidays being over. Further discussion was made on the case but no action was taken.

Shiocton Water Pumps – Shiocton is constantly dealing with standing water and the pumps don't seem to be working very well. Al reported that he talked with Richard Gumz (Chairman of State Drainage Board) and he said that a 30" pump moves 40,000 gallons of water per minute. Shiocton doesn't have nearly that amount of water being moved. Al cannot make an educated decision since he feels he doesn't know enough about the pumps. Al will setup a meeting this winter to go and see the pumps and learn more about them. Anyone on the board is welcome to attend this meeting.

Wildenberg Estates – house on the far East end is about 20-feet from the top of the bank and put in a gravel driveway to park campers and trailers. This leaves no room for the UTV to get through when doing inspections. Al is requesting that the board look into adjusting the corridor policy to 100 feet. Discussed the legalities of informing land owners and possible fight for devaluing land since it is no

longer buildable land. County Zoning requires 75-feet so Van Eperen suggested we try to be consistent with them to enforce the policy. Municipalities would need to be contacted to discuss options for their areas. Al to contact Chris Clayton to start process to investigate changing corridor to 75-feet.

Duck Creek Annexation – no update – Bob Givens and Scott Koenke will be attending February meeting to discuss the project.

Vandenbroek District – no update on this project.

Boelter Road – no decisions on installation of gate. Suggested bringing in landowners to discuss options before final decision is made.

NEW BUSINESS

Chris Pagel wants to come to the Drainage Board meeting to discuss opportunities with Greenville for long term stormwater discussion with the board.

Ebben Property – the board has become aware of potential future development at the corner of McCarthy and Edgewood. There is a District tile line that crosses this property. Christensen contacted the county and made sure there was a note that there is a legal drain tile going through the property. Discussed again the issues with only requiring a 20-foot corridor.

Buffer Violations – reviewed the buffer violations folder and looked at James Van Den Eng. Will let go until spring and take a look. If he's in violation, a fine will be given.

Bubolz Culvert – Single culvert on the district main and main trail keeps overtopping and washing material into drain. Bubolz tried putting landscaping in to make it stronger but it's still not holding. Culvert is too small for the amount of water that goes through and it washes out every year. Culvert needs to be reinforced and some breaker rock. Bubolz has mentioned the issue but hasn't complained to the board before. They seem to put their own resources and materials into trying to fix the issue, but the board also concerned about the washout. Will invite Randy Tuma, Bubolz Nature Preserve Director to Drainage Board meeting for March to discuss failing culvert on property.

Railroad is starting to mark culverts that are failing. The crossing east of CTH A is in rough shape. Running loaded railcars over these culverts could be a hazard. Al to contact railroad.

Vander Heiden moved, seconded by Van Asten to adjourn at 9:58am.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 8:30am at the Highway Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Howard
Land Conservation Administrative Assistant