Oneida-Hobart Drainage District

Annual Meeting Minutes - September 30, 2020

President Kramer called the meeting to order Oneida-Hobart District Annual Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Freedom Municipal Building, Freedom. He introduced the Outagamie County Drainage Board members. Present: Al Kramer, Greg Nettekoven, Jason Van Eperen, Mike Van Asten, Gerald Vander Heiden

Also present: Nancy Christensen, Administrative Assistant; Greg Baneck - Land Conservation Department; others present: Scott Schaumberg, Larry Oudenhoven, Duane and Vicki Ambrosius, Paul Van Gheem, Bret Reader, Jason VanHandel

Kramer informed those present the Board meets every first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the Outagamie County Highway Department, 1313 Holland Road, Appleton. During the Covid-19 issue, we are meeting at the Town of Osborn. After Covid-19 we will return to the Highway Department. Anyone with concerns may come to this meeting and bring them before the Board or contact any member at any time. Minutes and agendas are posted on the Outagamie County website under the Land Conservation Department.

Minutes of the October 2, 2019 minutes -
Brett Reader moved, seconded by Jason Van Handel to approve the minutes as presented.

Presentation of projects completed and future projects –
Greg Baneck, Outagamie County Land Conservation, gave an overview of the district. The inspection map was reviewed showing spray brush, spray cattails, dredging or removal of trees. Bain and McCabe Roads that area will need ditch cleanout maintenance in the next couple of years. The corridor around the south side of the quarry the willow was removed a couple of years ago and we have been spraying there every year. The corridor east of Section Line needs to be sprayed for cattails. The culvert by the quarry could be removed, on the Brown County side, and willows are starting to grow. Access points to that area could be improved. A gate could be installed to allow access to that portion of the corridor.

2019-2020 Financial Report and 2020 Assessment Rate payable in 2021 -
Fund Balance as of 12-31-19 is $39,143; assessment revenue received in 2020 ($4/acre, $40 minimum 10 acres and under) was $28,342 for total funds available 2-2020 was $67,486; Expenses January, 2020 to date in September = $4,080. Fund Balance as of this date = $63,406

Future projects include: McCabe to Bain – dredge; Vans Road to McCabe – dredge. Baneck stated these areas are open and access should be easy and spoils can be spread.

Issue on Section Line Road – Drainage Board has met on site with DNR and DATCP State Engineer. We have consulted with our attorney on how to proceed. There are concerns with the houses and areas downstream. We are waiting to see what the recommendations are from DATCP and legal. Scott Schaumberg, Town of Oneida said they are waiting for direction from the Board. In 2002 the culverts were there, we don’t know when the box culverts were removed. Discussion was held on the ditch downstream and the maintenance that needs to be done. Brett Reader asked if the State seen the pictures taken when the water was high. He was asked get copies to us so they can be forward to the State. Discussion was held on the water problems and concerns of property owners. Baneck stated there was 12 to 15 feet of drop in the ditches by the quarry. He further stated, the ditches were built to state requirements to handle a 10 year storm within 24 hours to get back into its banks. The ditches handle more than that now. You are asking to put in beyond what the statutes requires and that puts the State at risk. It was agreed that we need to clean out the ditch and perform other maintenance on the legal ditch from Bain to McCabe prior to any additional culverts being installed.

Brett Reader moved and seconded by Larry Oudenhoven to recommend $4.00 per acre/$40.00 minimum for 10 acres or less parcels. Motion carried.

Some stone crossings need attention between Vans and McCabe, and south of the woods.
2021 annual meeting will be around the same time.

Baneck explained the Outagamie County website and how to find the Drainage Board webpage on their site.

Brett Reader moved, seconded by Duane Ambrosius to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Christensen,
Administrative Assistant