Vice-President Nettekoven called the meeting to order the Center-Grand Chute Drainage District Annual Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Center Municipal Building, Town of Center. He introduced the Outagamie County Drainage Board members. Present: Greg Nettekoven, Jason Van Eperen, Mike Van Asten, Gerald Vander Heiden Absent: Al Kramer

Also present: Nancy Christensen, Administrative Assistant; Greg Baneck - Land Conservation Department; others present: Mary Countney, Jerry Ebben, Wayne Stingle, Chris Pagels, John Robertson, Jeff Ings, Cindy Amundson, Susan and Howard Zimmerman, Mark Kuechler, Paul Flunker, Dave Loos, Dan Price, Melissa Price, Rich Zanen, John Heimann, Ken Baum, Heath Lornson

Nettekoven 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 -
Wayne Stingle moved, seconded by Jerry Ebben to approve the minutes as presented.

Presentation of projects completed and future projects –
Greg Baneck, Outagamie Land Conservation Department, gave an overview description of the drainage district. Each year the drainage ditches are inspected, generally in the spring. The following was found this year: Mayflower to Capital and Capital to McCarthy the ditch needs dredging. Woodberry Estates/Cobblestone area needs dredging. Areas by Bubolz Nature Center need spraying. Additional areas to the east and north have been sprayed and will continue to stay ahead of the growth. Projects completed included a new crossing in Bubolz, culverts replaced off “47” to main off “O”, dredging was done west of “47” to “O”, the tile on Edgewood was jetted and repaired. East of McCarthy it was also found residents have planted trees along the ditch that will have to be removed. Some are small enough now and could be spaded and removed. They will be contacted to have the trees removed. If not, when the ditch needs maintenance in the future, the trees would be removed if in the way.

Resident asked about the railroad trestle culverts – Baneck stated Kramer has been in contact with the railroad of the deteriorating culvert. We will reach out to them again.

John Robertson asked about the area by Mayflower and Capital. There is flooding and backup of water in 2 spots in that area, some due to Greenville developing. Water is coming over the road at times. Baneck stated there is work to be done in that area. Robertson also asked about the ditch that was cleaned out a couple of years ago in the field. Baneck responded that is a private ditch. Nettekoven said there are plans to clean that area from Mayflower to McCarthy this next year.

Baneck reviewed the Drainage Board webpage located on the Outagamie County website under the Land Conservation Department. Monthly meeting minutes and agendas, inspection reports and other information can be found there.

2019-2020 Financial Report and 2020 Assessment Rate payable in 2021 -
Fund Balance as of 12-31-19 is $79,776; assessment revenue received in 2020 ($4/acre, $40 minimum 10 acres and under) was $64,185 for total funds available 2-2020 was $143,961; Expenses January, 2020 to date in September = $77,237. Fund Balance as of this date = $66,724

Future projects are: Mayflower to McCarthy – culverts washed out and dredge 5,000 feet @ $6/foot = $30,000; Reassessment Study continuation - $11,000; Casaloma to McCarthy dredge, remove trees 5,500’ @ $14/foot = $77,000.

Ken Baum moved and seconded by Jerry Ebben to recommend $4.00 per acre/$40.00 minimum for 10 acres or less parcels. Motion carried.
Paul Flunker - Was the tile fixed on Edgewood? VanEperen responded the tile was cleaned there is some repair that needs to be done. Flunker: can it handle the extra water from retention pond? Baneck –the retention pond was disconnected from the ditch several years ago. The tile line is old and needs to be replaced. Nettekoven said a discussion was held with the DNR and being a wetland we are restricted to how the work can be done. A mini excavator can be used to repair it. Outlet is 12” tapers to 6” at the other end. We are looking at differ products that can be used. Notices will be sent to residents prior to dredging or tree cutting on any of the projects that were previously discussed.

2021 annual meeting will be around the same time. Nettekoven reminded those present they can contact any of the Board members or come to the regular monthly meeting with their concerns and questions.

Ken Baum moved, seconded by Jerry Ebben to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Christensen,
Administrative Assistant