MINUTES OF THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
DECEMBER 4, 2018

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Christensen, Administrative Assistant; Greg Baneck, Land Conservation Department; Harland Volkman, Town of Osborn; Bob Givens, Omnni; Brad Johnson, N6587 County Rd C.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES
Minutes of November 6, 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 – None

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT REPORT
Baneck reported Ken Olson has been working in Duck Creek District, Meade Street to County Road PP, cleaning out ditches, starting at Wichman’s by the woods. Considerable sediment was found where the main and lateral come together removing 1 ½’ of sediment in areas. The lateral by Rohm’s south to the Center Town Hall needs to be cleaned out. Weather permitting, the work could be done after Meade to PP.

Olson is also working by Ott Road on the stretch by Lemke’s farm. The bottom stretch is over dug and the ditch is lower than the culvert pipe. Elevations need to be redone in the future from the crossing into Lemke’s to 12 Corners Road to see if the culvert needs to be adjusted.

Discussion was held regarding work being done by Salter’s property. The culverts under County Road PP are crooked and starting to deteriorate. Nettekoven discussed with Salter about future cleaning out of legal ditches and to contact the Board when work needs to be done.

A Plat of Survey was received from Carow Land Surveying for Robert Kiefer property, Vandenbroek District. The pins were relocated that had been buried. The Board paid for the cost of the Plat of Survey and will forward Kiefer his copies for his record.

OLD BUSINESS
Timber Row landscaping – The October 2, 2018 approved minutes will be forwarded to the Condo Association for their records. Kramer will verify the starting point of the area to be landscaped (previously referenced by the “bird feeder” in past discussions) so it can be documented for future references. *See below

Center Valley District – Co Road A/S – Richley Property legal issue – Kramer reported that documents were submitted to attorneys and we are still waiting for an answer as to the insurance company’s representation.

Duck Creek Annexation Petition – Givens reported that he has not connected with Scott Koenke, DNR. Baneck reported property owners have commented their property is drier this year than has been previously. The swamp area is working as a retention pond like it should be. Volkman reported individuals have been placing objects in the ditch to allow them to cross due to the water. He said someone placed a small handmade sign stating “Drainage District – illegal to dump anything in ditches”.

*See below
Center/Grand Chute Reassessment Study – Givens provided an up-date for the area of McCarthy, Mayflower Drive and Edgewood Drive. To re-route the water with a ditch/storm sewer would cost approximately $50 per foot at 5,000 feet = $250,000. The Board reviewed and discussed the following “talking points” presented by Omni.

Problems
* Drain tile clogging, which requires frequent cleaning and maintenance
  o How is sediment entering tile
    * Farm fields upstream of ponds between Mayflower and Edgewood
    * Broken and/or damaged pipe
* In adequate capacity
  o Drain tile,
  o Culverts
    * Driveways
    * Edgewood
    * McCarthy
  o Channels between 5475 Edgewood Drive (near Edgewood and McCarthy) and the end of the tile (start of the open channel)

Solutions
* Drain tile clogging
  o Televise drain tile and identify damaged sections or sections with excessive gaps, root intrusion, etc.
  o Replace/fix tiles that allow sediment to enter the system
  o Install practices or pond on Loos property to remove sediment entering system
  o Install practices or pond on Ebben property to remove sediment entering system
* Inadequate capacity
  o Install ponds on Loos and/or Ebben property to reduce the rate of runoff entering the system (Likely 4-8 Acres Each)
  o Increase culvert sizes for driveways, McCarthy and Edgewood (36”–66” culverts)
    * 36-66” culverts depending on whether it’s 2-year or 100-year design storm
  o Reroute drainage from Loos property to beginning of main channel (4800’ +/-)
    * Channel 10’ bottom, 2.5-4’ deep, 4:1 sideslopes (30-42’ wide easement)
    * Storm sewer 36”–66” pipe depending on whether it’s 2-year or 100-year design storm
    * Rerouting would best fit behind residential properties on Edgewood or on Ebben property.

Opportunities
* Consider pollutant removal trading for potential ponds

Vandenbroek District – Dean Steingraber – County Rd CC & Pond Drive – Mike Joosten, Highway Engineer
Survey reported elevations were done on County Road CC and there is fall to the north and south on the west side of the road. The drainage problem is a town, developer and county issue. The Board concurred that the water can be routed to the legal drainage ditch but the Drainage Board is not liable for costs of cleaning out the ditch.

DATCP Email regarding Buffer Policy – An email was received from Chris Clayton, DATCP, responding to the Board’s inquiry of the current Board’s Buffer Violation Policy. The policy was drafted based on the WI Court of Appeals 2011 decision of the Vandenbroek Drainage District’s reassessment. Clayton questioned if this could be applied to other districts and if the board has approved reassessments for the other districts. By State Statute we have the authority to charge back clean out costs due to lack of buffers to the property owners in violation. Clayton suggested the Board discuss the policy with their attorney. The Board requested this be forwarded to Attorney Kent’s office for their opinion.
Pump Repairs—Kramer found out from other drainage districts that there is a company in Indiana that makes pumps to spec. They are prop driven, steel blade. There are other alternatives for back up vendors for pump repairs.

Village of Little Chute – revisions to storm water/sedimentation pond discharge. Kramer, Nettekoven, Baneck, Freund, Matt Woodrow-DATCP, and Chris Clayton (by conference phone), met with Chris Murawski, James Fenlon, and Kent Taylor, representatives from Little Chute on December 3 to review the process required under DATCP regulations. Discussion was held that Little Chute will submit documents for approval directly to DATCP. Van Asten moved, seconded Van Eperen to authorize Little Chute to submit their application and plans directly to DATCP for their review and comments. Roll call: 5 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Kramer reported a buffer violation in the Wildenberg Subdivision in the City of Kaukauna. He will contact John Neumier to discuss the problem.

Culvert and rip rap on State Road 55 and County Road UU was replaced and is working well. On 55, Bob Schlimm is working the Vande Hey property and is working through the ditch. A buffer violation letter needs to be sent.

From Krueger Road to the main needs to have the ditches cleaned out and trees need to be removed, letters should be sent to property owners.

The annual State Drainage Board Association meeting will be held December 10 in Portage. Kramer, Nettekoven, Van Eperen and Christensen are tentatively planning on attending.

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

The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the Highway Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Christensen
Administrative Assistant

* Note: Kramer verified the starting point of the berm/planting area to be 230’ east of the center line of Casaloma Drive