

Green Lake County *Drainage Board*

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Drainage Board Minutes September 16, 2009 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. Demonstration Room Green Lake, WI

Call to order: The meeting of the Drainage Board was called to order by Chairman Soda. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Merlyn Soda, Chairman
Michael Disterhaft, Vice-Chairman
Wayne Albright, Secretary

Also Present: Landowners: LaVern Alf
Thomas Dolata
James Abel
Bob Nigbor
James A. Hebbe, County Conservationist
Brenda Sondalle, LCD Administrative Assistant

Agenda: *Motion (Albright/Disterhaft)* to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes: *Motion (Albright/Disterhaft)* to approve the August 5, 2009 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment: LaVern Alf commented that a good job was done on the recent work on his property.

Jim Abel questioned the culvert placement on his mother's property. He mentioned a deep hole in the ditch corridor that was left near the culvert that was installed after the initial cleaning.

Disterhaft stated that Joe Formiller was wondering what steps he should take to get the rest of Lateral A cleaned out.

Tom Dolata asked what is going to be done with the brush piles and stumps in his field.

Appearances: none

Public Hearing Matters to Consider Drainage District Assessments: *Motion (Disterhaft/Albright)* to move into the public hearing at 6:25pm. Albright read opening remarks.

District #1: no comments

District #2: no comments

District #3: no comments

District #4: no comments

Seneca-Warren: Tom Dolata asked if the assessment was based on all the landowners who benefit from the ditch or just the landowners who were in the initial report prepared for the state. He thought something was going to be done so that all who benefit from the ditch were assessed accordingly.

Motion (Disterhaft/Albright) to close the public hearing at 6:33pm. Motion carried.

Set 2009 Drainage District Assessments: Motion (Albright/Disterhaft) to set the assessments for districts #1, #2, #3, #4, and Seneca-Warren as follows:

District	Assessment	
1	\$ 350.00	\$.50/ac - minimum \$50 per landowner
2	403.30	\$.50/ac - minimum \$50 per landowner
3	359.50	\$2.00/ac - minimum \$50 per landowner
4	50.00	\$.50/ac - minimum \$50 per landowner
5	0.00	No assessment
SW	10,000.04	Assessment based on benefits assessment (fess cents more due to rounding)
	\$ 11,162.84	

Motion carried.

Seneca-Warren Drainage Ditch – Spraying Proposals for Brush Maintenance: Tom Dolata volunteered his apple sprayer to use next spring as a trial to see what chemicals work best to control the brush in the corridor.

Seneca-Warren Drainage Ditch – Ditch Cleanout Project Update: Disterhaft reported a beaver dam across the Seneca-Warren near the County Road D bridge. Disterhaft will arrange to get someone to remove it.

Seneca-Warren Drainage Ditch - LaVern Alf Maintenance Work: LaVern reported earlier that the contractor did a good job on the recent project on his property. The Land Conservation Department needs to complete the cross section of the ditch on the DNR land.

Vouchers: Motion (Disterhaft/Albright) to approve three vouchers as follows: Berlin Journal Newspapers \$299.80; Petraszak Excavating Ltd \$2,050.00; and Waushara County Register of Deeds \$10.00. Motion carried.

Correspondence: A letter from Ruth Fyvie, District #3, was read requesting the Board not to raise her drainage district assessment.

Committee Discussion and Future Agenda Items: Future items: reassessment process (State Drainage Engineer will be invited to explain); brush spraying timeline

Next Meeting Date: November 18, 2009 at 6:00 P.M. in the Demonstration Room of the Courthouse in Green Lake.

Adjourn: Motion (Albright/Disterhaft) to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Sondalle, Recorder

Meeting expenses: District #1 - 20%, District #2 - 20%, District #3 - 20%, District #4 - 20%, Seneca-Warren - 20%