

# Green Lake County *Drainage Board*

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**Drainage Board  
June 9, 2015  
7:00 P.M. – 8:25 P.M.  
Training Room  
571 County Road A  
Green Lake, WI**

**Call to Order:** The meeting of the Drainage Board was called to order by Chairman Krueger. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Present:** Patrick Krueger, Chair  
Thomas Dolata, Vice-Chair  
Dick Severson, Secretary

**Also Present:** Lavern Alf, Joan Alf, Richard M. Sobieski, Dave Gneiser, Stephanie Plagenz - Green Lake County Treasurer's Office & Todd Morris – Green Lake County Land Conservation Department.

**Agenda:** *Motion/second (Severson/Dolata)* to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**Minutes:** *Motion/second (Dolata/Severson)* to approve the May 12, 2015 meeting minutes with a correction of the name of Carl Janz should be Carol Janz. Motion carried.

**Public Comments:** Sobieski feels that the drainage district was established for landowners to connect to for drainage benefits. The recent assessments are out of control and all of the complaints are due to what the board had determined as a benefit.

Mr. Sobieski would like to withdraw his nomination from consideration for the drainage board.

Gneiser appeared and requested another inspection when he could be present. Gneiser would like the board to make an appointment with him before they go out to his land. The board will contact Gneiser for an inspection.

**Appearances:** Plagenz discussed the way that the Order for Assessments was written in regards to unpaid assessment being added to the next year's tax bill. This would mean that any unpaid 2015 Assessment would be added to the 2016 tax bill. The treasurer's office is waiting to hear from Corporation Council on clarification of this.

Plagenz would also like to send out reminder notices for unpaid 2014 Assessments to try to collect as much as possible before they are included on the tax bill.

*Motion/second (Severson/Dolata)* to send out notices for unpaid assessments. Motion carried. Dolata recommended that they notices be sent out with the 2015 bills to save postage.

**Seneca-Warren Drainage District – Sucker Creek/Lateral A:** Dolata tried to walk Sucker Creek but could not reach the plug site. There was a lot of water coming over the banks and backing up. Dolata feels that this is flooding the Janz property.

The board is going to try to locate the name of the staff person that talked at the State Drainage Convention last year for assistance on addressing the water from Sucker Creek entering the drainage district drain.

**Survey Lateral A to Hwy D:** Board received letter from DATCP regarding this section of the ditch. The current specification for the drain established a grade profile with a bottom elevation that is higher than the actual bottom elevation of the drain. Based on the current specification for the drain, no clean out can be performed. The board is going to contact REA, the firm that created the original profile, and discuss why the profile was set where it was set. If the board chooses to move forward with changing the ditch profile they will follow the procedure set forth in ATCP 48.36

**Harenburg Bridge Request:** nothing

**Cleaning Sediment Hwy D Bridge:** Sediment that was accumulating at the Hwy D Bridge was cleaned out at the end of May. DNR permit was applied for and granted.

**Pawlacyk Request:** Dolata did not look at the property yet.

**Wetland and Low Assessments: *Motion/second (Severson/Dolata)*** to not charge a 2015 Assessment on parcels that have an assessment of \$2.99 or less. Motion carried. This will reduce the total amount collected by about \$80.80.

Sobieski spoke regarding the wetland assessments and thought the landowner that own wetland should fill out a 1026 and have NRCS do a wetland determination. If it is determined to be a wetland and the drainage could not be altered, this would give the board direction on what wetlands to assess and which ones not to assess.

**Vouchers: *Motion/second (Severson/Dolata)*** to approve \$2160.50 voucher to

Four Way Construction and Wisconsin DNR. Motion carried

**Correspondence:** MSA emails, DATCP letter, DNR Permit for Hwy D cleanout.

**Committee Discussion:** Morris will notify the DNR per permit requirements that the sediment by the Hwy D Bridge has been removed.

Dolata commented that spraying the bottom of the ditch is working and that the brush on the sides of the ditch banks was not sprayed. The brush will need to be addressed.

The board will plan for a Public Hearing in September for Districts 1-5.

Future Meeting Date: The next meeting will be July 7, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Training Room of the Government Center in Green Lake.

Future Agenda Items for Action & Discussion: Per Diem and Salary, Sucker Creek/Lateral A, Survey Hwy D to Lateral A, Harenburg Bridge Request, Pawlacyk Request, Gneiser Request.

**Adjourn: *Motion/second (Severson/Dolata)*** to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Todd Morris, Recorder

Meeting expenses: Ditch #1	_____	Ditch #5	_____
Ditch #2	_____	Seneca-Warren	_____
Ditch #3	_____	General	_____
Ditch #4	_____		