

Green Lake County *Drainage Board*

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**Drainage Board
October 22, 2013
7:00 P.M. – 8:10 P.M.
Government Center Training Room
571 County Road A
Green Lake, WI**

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

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

Also Present: Landowners: Norbert Walejko
Garrel Walejko
Ed Crescio
Todd Morris, Land Conservation Department
Brenda Sondalle, Land Conservation Department

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

Minutes: *Motion/second (Dolata/Severson)* to approve the September 10, 2013 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Board Officer Elections: *Motion/second (Severson/Dolata)* to nominate and cast a unanimous ballot for Patrick Krueger as Chairman. Motion carried.

Motion/second (Severson/Krueger) to nominate and cast a unanimous ballot for Thomas Dolata as Vice-Chairman. Motion carried.

Motion/second (Dolata/Krueger) to nominate and cast a unanimous ballot for Dick Severson as Secretary. Motion carried.

Public Comments: none

Appearances: none

Public Hearing Matters to Consider Drainage District Assessments: *Motion (Severson/Dolata)* to move into the public hearing at 7:05 pm. Severson read opening remarks.

District #1: No comments.

District #2: No comments.

District #3: No comments.

District #4: No comments.

District #5: No comments.

Seneca-Warren: No comments.

Motion (Severson/Dolata) to close the public hearing at 7:10 pm. Motion carried.

Set 2013 Drainage District Assessments: Severson questioned why everyone in the Seneca-Warren District was not being assessed at least a minimum assessment because even hunting land could benefit by the ditch.

Motion (Severson/Dolata) to set the assessments for districts #1, #2, #3, #4, #5 and Seneca-Warren as follows:

District	Assessment	
1	\$ 300.00	\$.50/ac - minimum \$50 per landowner
2	453.30	\$.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	1,999.99	Assessment based on benefits assessment of \$2,000 (1 cent different due to rounding)
SW	10,000.03	Assessment based on benefits assessment of \$10,000 (4 cents different due to rounding)
	\$ 13,162.82	

Motion carried.

Seneca-Warren Drainage District – Sucker Creek/Lateral A: Todd Morris reported that the survey has been completed. The vegetation was not sprayed because it had gone dormant. The plan is to do a full ditch plug on the DNR land to stop Sucker Creek from flowing into Lateral A and redirect the Creek back into the original channel, and also to install a ditch plug on the Disterhaft property where the water is going to the Mallard Hole. Awaiting the ditch plug plan from NRCS. **Motion by Severson** to inform the DNR to move forward as soon as possible with the ditch plug project. No second to the motion, motion failed. Krueger would like to wait for the NRCS ditch plug plan before moving ahead. Morris mentioned a meeting in November with officials from the Town of Seneca and the County Board Chairman. The Board would like to be notified of this meeting.

Seneca-Warren Drainage District – Legal Counsel Response to Alf/Disterhaft Claim: Nothing to report.

Seneca-Warren Drainage District – Survey from Highway D to Fox River: Nothing to report.

Seneca-Warren Drainage District – South Road Bridge: The Board has not received any information as to what may or may not be done with the South Road Bridge.

Seneca-Warren Drainage District – Brush Cutting: An inspection of the Seneca-Warren ditch should be done to determine how much brush needs to be removed.

Watershed Tax Assessment Update: The Board has received two proposals so far. A third firm that also expressed interest will be contacted for a written proposal. The Board would like to review proposals at their November meeting and invite the firms to their December meeting.

Vouchers: Motion/second (Krueger/Dolata) to approve vouchers as follows: \$10 Waushara County for tax parcel information for Seneca-Warren district assessments; \$100 Wisconsin Association of Drainage Districts for membership dues; and \$346.60 to Berlin Journal Newspapers for the Class III assessment public hearing notice. Motion carried

Correspondence: Invitation from the Wisconsin Association of Drainage Districts for the November 4, 2013 annual meeting in Portage.

Committee Discussion:

Future Meeting Date: The next meetings will be November 12, 2013 and December 17, 2013 both at 7:00 P.M. in the UWEX Training Room of the Government Center in Green Lake.

Future Agenda Items for Action & Discussion: For Seneca-Warren: Sucker Creek/Lateral; Legal Counsel Response to Alf/Disterhaft Claim; Survey from Highway D to Fox River; South Road Bridge; and Brush Cutting. Ditch #5 – Waterway Update.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Sondalle, Recorder

Meeting expenses: Districts #1-5 = 5% each, SW=75%