

Green Lake County *Drainage Board*

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**Drainage Board
February 10, 2015
7:00 P.M. – 8:10 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: Richard M. Sobieski, Scot Harenburg, Leroy Petit, Don Wegenke, Todd Morris – Green Lake County Land Conservation Department.

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

Minutes: *Motion/second (Severson/Dolata)* to approve the January 13, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Mr. Harenburg requested a copy of the Benefits/Damages Report that is specified in Chapter 88.35 & 88.36. Dolata responded that in working with the board's legal counsel, the board followed Chapter 88 for determining the assessments. Mr. Harenburg also asked to see how the Cost/Benefit Analysis was determined. Mr. Harenburg also questioned who petitioned the board to annex people into the district and would like to see the request. The board discussed this with Mr. Harenburg and stated that previous boards had discussed this issue and the petition to annex came from the board. Dolata asked Mr. Harenburg to send a letter to the board with his specific requests.

Appearances: none

Seneca-Warren Drainage District – Sucker Creek/Lateral A: Rock placed around sheet piling structure and also upstream approximately 50 yards from the structure. Work was completed by the DNR.

Survey Lateral A to Hwy D: MSA and DATCP are working on this issue. MSA sent the board a profile of the area showing the elevation discrepancy in the DATCP approved profile and the surveyed information from MSA.

Flooding of Harenburg Property in Spring: Mr. Harenburg is unhappy that he is being charged by the board for water being removed from his property when the water is not actually being removed. The board is going to discuss and address the wetland assessment issues.

Harenburg Bridge Request: Harenburg spoke with Jared Seidel, DNR Water Management Specialist, and he had no issues with the permit application. Jared did suggest a narrower bridge, something less than 8 ft. wide. The DNR has a 30 day review period, so Harenburg feels it will be a couple of months before a permit will be issued. Severson would like an engineer to sign off on plans to make sure that the bridge will hold what Harenburg would like to drive over it with.

Sobieski Request: Dolata will look at this and decide what parts of the fields are draining to the district and which ones are not. Sobieski should pay his assessment as billed this year and the board will reimburse him after a decision is made.

Corridor Policy: Morris will check on the dimensions of the corridor for the board. The current policy for the Seneca-Warren District will remain and for all other districts they will follow the state policy. The board will allow farming in the corridor and recognizes that there is a 5 ft. tillage setback from the top of the ditch banks per ATCP 50.04(4) and NR 151.03.

Vouchers: *Motion/second (Dolata/Severson)* to approve \$4313.24 in vouchers to Berlin Journal Newspaper - \$318.00, Curran Hollenbeck & Orton, S.C. - \$ 540.00, MSA Professional Services - \$ 3395.24, Green Lake County Register of Deeds - \$60.00. Motion carried

Correspondence: emails from MSA

Committee Discussion: The board will look at the assessments worksheet and address some of the assessments that are very low. For example there is an assessment for \$3.09 of which \$3.00 is the administrative fee.

Future Meeting Date: The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:00 P.M. in the Training Room of the Government Center in Green Lake.

Future Agenda Items for Action & Discussion: Sucker Creek Lateral A, Survey Lateral A to Hwy D, Harenburg Bridge Request, Sobieski Request, Wetland Assessments, Gneiser Request

Contact Steve Struss – DATCP to discuss the wetland assessments.

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

Respectfully submitted, Todd Morris, Recorder

Meeting expenses: Ditch #1	_____	Ditch #5	_____
Ditch #2	_____	Seneca-Warren	<u>100%</u>
Ditch #3	_____	General	_____
Ditch #4	_____		