

Green Lake County *Drainage Board*

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**Drainage Board
November 6, 2019
7:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.
Training Room, Green Lake County Government Center
571 County Rd. A, Green Lake, WI 54941**

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.

Present: Patrick Krueger, Chair
Steven Foust, Vice-Chair
Dick Severson, Secretary

Also Present: Stacy Kerwin, Tyler Zick, Dave Gneiser, Dick Sobieski, Stephanie Meeker – Green Lake County Chief Deputy Treasurer, Todd Morris, Green Lake County Land Conservation

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

Minutes: *Motion/second (Severson/Foust)* to approve the November 7, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Dave Gneiser stated that landowners on Fountain Road want out of the district. Their drainage is controlled by the Fox River level. Krueger stated that landowners can petition to be removed. Gneiser stated that a petition will only cost the district money, and asked does the district want to spend the money? Gneiser and Sobieski both stated that they are receiving no benefit from being in the district. Gneiser and Sobieski would like to get out without any meetings or hearings, just let them out of district. Severson stated that each landowner reached their three-minute limit; the landowners need to file a petition to be removed from the district.

The board would like Morris to get clarification on the process to get out of a drainage district. There was discussion on if the Judge can dissolve.

Tyler Zick also spoke wondering if the board came up with any solution for his section of ditch. The board will revisit the site, possibly in winter when everything freezes, to get bottom elevation of ditch to assess if any work is necessary.

Appearances: None

Report on Annual Inspections: See Reports

District 1 – Severson inspected this district, no damage, some trees, flowing great.

Districts 2 & 3 – Foust inspected these districts, No complaints, water too high for proper inspection

District 4 – Severson inspected this ditch, cleaned by landowner – bottom only did not touch sides, may need to look at need for work on downstream end.

District 5 – Krueger inspected this district, no complaints from landowner, some trees in lower section but not obstructing flow.

Seneca-Warren – Krueger inspected this district, Green Lake County Sheriff's Office flew their drone to inspect from 0+00 to 100+00. Water very high, could not see any obstructions. Mr. Zick was present at inspection and had photos from 2018 that showed the ditch plugged at his property. Used a boat

to get to his property, there was no obstructions, ditch about 3.5 feet in this section. Showed drone video from 0+00 to 100+00.

Review and approve DATCP Reports: Went over DATCP reports on district balances and shortages.

Motion/second (Severson/Foust) to have Krueger sign the reports and send them to DATCP. Motion carried.

Discussion/action on 2019 Assessment Billing: Severson stated that to withdraw the original motion to bill for 2019, the original members that made the motion needed to withdraw the motion. Since Roger Sell was on the drainage board at that time and is no longer a member this cannot be done. Severson would also not pull back his motion. Severson feels that the board should stick with original motion and send out the 2019 Assessment. Krueger also felt that collecting the 2019 Assessments would build up the account for future projects without the need to assess in the near future. Per the original Resolution passed on July 11, 2018 the 2019 Assessment will be billed to landowners in the Seneca-Warren district.

Vouchers: Motion/second (_____ / _____) to approve \$ _____ voucher to

_____. Motion carried
Cathy approves all vouchers.

Motion/second (Severson/Foust) to pay the Berlin Journal for Annual Meeting Class II Notice. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Committee Discussion: Foust had a question about the location of trees in the District 5 ditch. Krueger stated that they were willow trees in the bottom of the ditch, but we not slowing the flow of water.

Future Meeting Date: Time and date will be set at later date.

Future Agenda Items for Action & Discussion:
Gneiser Dissolution

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

Respectfully submitted, Todd Morris, Recorder

Meeting expenses: Ditch #1	5%	Ditch #5	5%
Ditch #2	5%	Seneca-Warren	75%
Ditch #3	5%	General	_____
Ditch #4	5%		