# RACINE COUNTY BOARD OF DRAINAGE COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING - MINUTES WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021, 7:00 PM RACINE COUNTY IVES GROVE 142000 WASHINGTON AVE, STURTEVANT, WI 53177

## I. Call to Order

a. Alan Jasperson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

## II. Roll Call

- a. Members Present: Alan Jasperson, Greg Foat (excused), Russell Weiss, John Vyvyan, Matt Rowntree
- b. Others Present: Mark Madsen and Al Jeske (Nielsen, Madsen & Barber) and Carolynn Frazer (recorder).

# III. Pledge of Allegiance

#### IV. Approval of the Agenda

a. Russell Weis moved to approve the agenda and John Vyvyan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## V. FARM #5/HOOSIER CREEK DRAINAGE DISTRICT

- a. Discussion and review of the bids for the 2021 Ditch Maintenance Project. Al Jeske read the bid summary into the record.
- b. Review of financial records and funds available, if any, to carry out some bids.
- c. The Railroad dug out the West side of the trestle and if we get a hard spring flush, the area will fill in again. There is a lot of loose sediment from the North and a heavy flush may fill it back in.
  - i. Contract 1B is the emergency project that de-brushes the other side of the creek and dredges half of the creek which will allow Branch 12 to drain out. This needs to be done ASAP. Krause Excavating, Inc. is the lowest bid for Contract 1B.
  - ii. Some discussion occurred regarding possibly obtaining another loan based on the 2022-2026 assessment that was levied in 2020.
  - iii. A question was asked if this matter can be tabled to March 10<sup>th</sup>.
    - 1. John Vyvyan motioned to hold over this matter to March 10, 2021, and Matt Rowntree seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Russell to set up a meeting with Jeff to discuss contract 1B.
  - iv. Russell Weis moved to approve the bills paid and bills to be paid for Farm #5/Hoosier Creek and seconded by John Vyvyan. The motion unanimously passed.

## VI. NORWAY/DOVER FARM DRAINAGE DISTRICT

- a. Discussion and review of the bids for the Jacobson Ditch and Cross Canal Project. The bids were read into the record.
- b. The financial records were reviewed.
- c. Russell Weis motioned to approve the bids for contracts 1 and 3 and carried out by Gunderson Excavating and Krause Excavating, respectively. John Vyvyan seconded the motion and it unanimously passed.
- d. Motion by Matt Rowntree to approve the bills paid and to be paid. The motion was seconded by John Vyvyan and the motion unanimously passed.

# VII. YORKVILLE/RAYMOND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

- a. Discussion regarding a meeting for Yorkville, Raymond, and Union Grove to renew agreements and discuss terms.
  - More preparations are being made in anticipation of a meeting with Yorkville, Raymond, and Union Grove to renew and renegotiate the agreements in lieu of an assessment. Mark Madsen has reviewed the growth of Union Grove from the 1937 to now.
  - ii. Nielson, Madsen, and Barber is putting together the engineering report regarding the flow of the water and drainage, particularly regarding the volume of water coming from Union Grove.
  - iii. Discussions were held regarding the processes of an assessment and appeal if an agreement cannot be reached between the three municipalities. The current agreement is 40%, 40%, 20% split between Union Grove, Yorkville, and Raymond.
  - iv. Steve from the Village of Yorkville asked questions regarding payments proportionate to the fair and equitable share of water generation, drainage, and/or repairs needed between the three municipalities. Steve also had questions clarifying updates for Union Grove and necessary repairs/dredging.
  - v. Alan Jasperson stated that he would consult with Attorney Paul Kent regarding an opinion letter regarding the agreement negotiation with Union Grove, Yorkville, and Raymond. Alan Jasperson will bring the opinion letter to the quarterly meeting on March 10, 2021.

#### VIII. Adjournment.

- a. Motion by Russell Weis motioned to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Matt Rowntree. The motion unanimously passed.
- b. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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APPROVED: March 10, 2021

Alan Jasperson, Chairman

John Vyvvan, Secretary/Treasurer