

**MINUTES
REGULAR DRAINAGE MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2017**

Hardin County Board of Supervisor Chairman, Lance Granzow, opened the meeting. Also present was Supervisor, BJ Hoffman; Keith Kratchmer with Iowa Select; Economic Directors, Cindy Litwiller with Iowa Falls and Jefferson Fosbender with Ackley; Hardin County Engineer, Daryl Albertson; Lee Gallentine and James Sweeney with Ryken Engineering; Drainage Clerk, Tina Schlemme. Absent: Renee McClellan.

Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2017 regular drainage meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

DD 62 – Granzow explained that IDNR indicated the best option for the tile rerouted around the Owasa Finisher Site would be to replace the tile to drainage district standards. Kratchmer stated the IDNR said the drainage tile issue had to be resolved to move forward with construction of a new building, but he was under the impression that it didn't have to be replaced. Granzow agreed with IDNR that it should be replaced to move forward with the reassurance that it was installed correctly and no future issues should arise. Gallentine explained his repair report and recommends an agreement be constructed on how the matter will be resolved and did state that the tile is working. Hoffman agreed to avoid future mechanical issues, it would be best to replace the tile as IDNR indicated.

DD 62 – Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded for the landowner to replace the tile in DD 62 at the Owasa Finisher Site per drainage district specifications with drainage district oversight. It was discussed that Gallentine will supply standard specifications and will observe and provide guidance. All ayes. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Schlemme informed the Trustees with the response received from the Secretary of State's Office regarding drainage elections. The questions and answers received were:

- How many judge and/or clerks are required to be at the polling location during the time of election?
 - A typical regular election requires 3 to be present but in an emergency, 2 can be present. It was advised that the 2 clerks would be sufficient.
- Is there a minimum requirement of judges to tally the results and to certify/sign for them?
 - The Code of Iowa states that 3 judges are appointed and the judges shall certify the results. It was advised that all 3 judges would need to certify.
- For just a typical annual election, are absentee ballots allowed? If so, do the drainage Trustees manage those or is it the responsibility of the Auditor's Office?
 - It was advised that absentee ballots are allowed for any drainage election and that it would be the responsibility of the Auditor's Office to conduct.

Schlemme informed the Trustees that she spoke with the Auditor who disagrees with the advice given regarding absentee ballots and would like to seek a second opinion. The Trustees agreed that Schlemme should forward the question to the Hardin County Attorney for clarification.

Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.