

**MINUTES  
REGULAR DRAINAGE MEETING  
JANUARY 3, 2017**

Hardin County Board of Supervisor Chairman, Lance Granzow, opened the meeting. Also present were Supervisors, Renee McClellan and BJ Hoffman; County Attorney, Rick Dunn; Lee Gallentine with Ryken Engineering; Drainage Clerk, Tina Schlemme.

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

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2016 regular drainage meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

DD 1 – McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2016 Canvass of Election. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Trustees asked for Dunn’s opinion regarding the Code of Iowa §468.10 – Disinterested Engineer, as discussed at the December 28, 2016 regular drainage meeting. Dunn will prepare an agreement between the drainage districts and Ryken Engineering stating that the engineer assigned to a drainage district project will not have relatives living in that district.

The taxation of open ditches, as discussed at the December 23, 2015 and January 13, 2016 meetings and addressed from Drainage Attorney, Mike Smith, in a December 22, 2015 letter, was reviewed. Dunn is to produce a letter to the County Assessor stating that the process of exempting open ditches needs to begin.

DD 22 – It was discussed that Dunn will draft a letter to Pete Howe Industrial regarding the \$1,200 invoice that the Trustees are denying payment for. This work was not completed by the contract completion date and another contractor completed the work without duplicating Pete Howe’s 4 hours of work.

Hoffmann moved, McClellan seconded to accept the B & W Control open ditch spraying bid for a three year contract. The Trustees agreed they would like to stay with the current contractor due to a proven track record, insurance requirements met and his experience and professionalism. The Trustees added they would like to give Joe Harrah more time to gain experience. All ayes. Motion carried.

Other Business: None

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