

**MINUTES  
DRAINAGE DISTRICT 21  
LANDOWNER MEETING  
MARCH 8, 2017 – 12:30 P.M.**

Hardin County Board of Supervisor Chairman, Lance Granzow, opened the meeting. Also present were Supervisors, Renee McClellan and BJ Hoffman; Landowners, Jack Runge, Shirley Carolus, Jim Smuck, Steven Smuck, Gary Hoffman, Ben Smuck, Robert Smuck and Mitch Baum with Summit Farms; Lee Gallentine with Ryken Engineering; Drainage Clerk, Tina Schlemme.

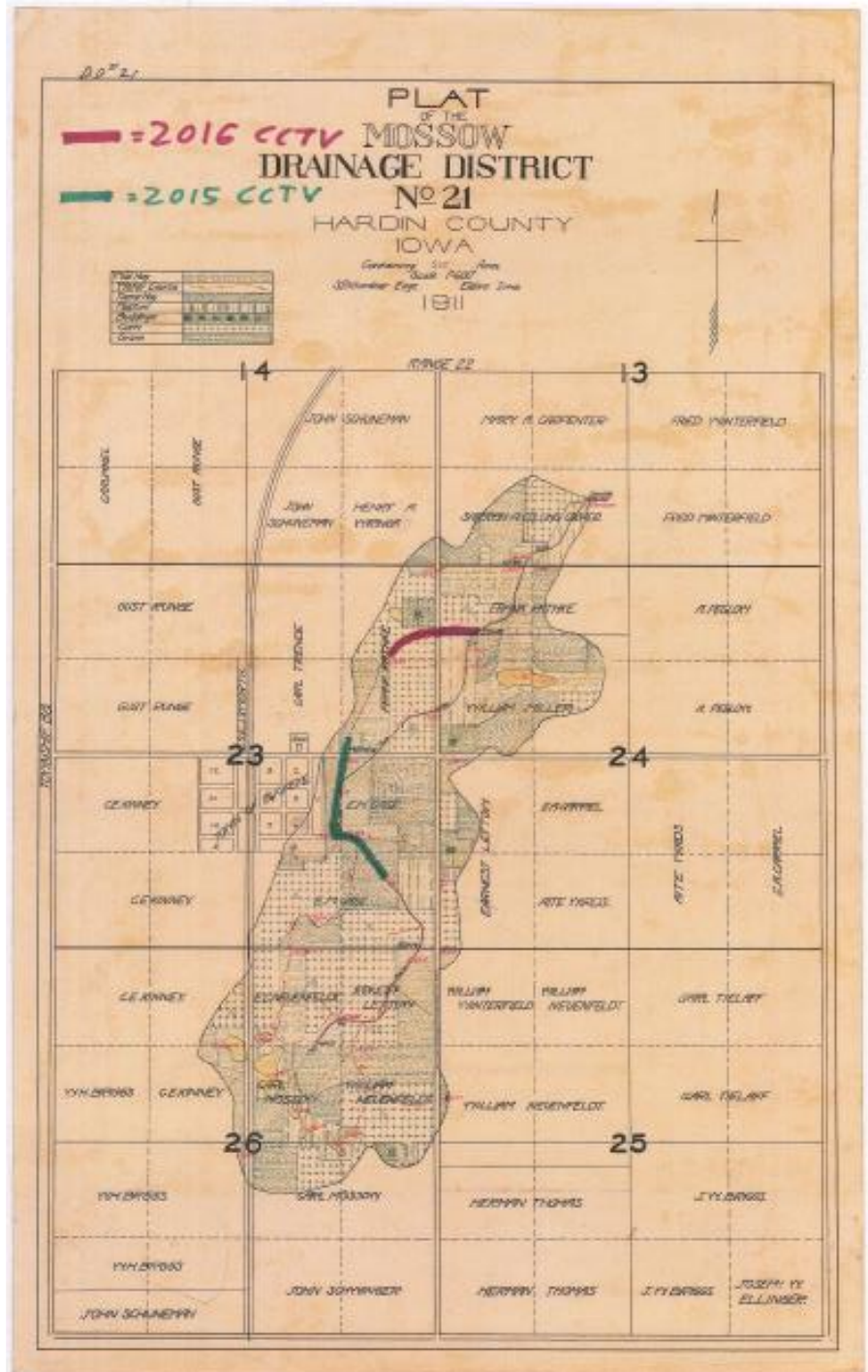
McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

After introductions, the meeting was turned over to Gallentine who explained the repairs. Of the total 3,500' televised, there were 10 locations where the tile is partially collapsed, 3 locations with holes in the tile, 40 offset joints with either voids or soil visible, 7 repairs and 3 locations where part of the tile is missing. Televising photos were also shown. It was discussed that the tile being repaired was originally a private tile when the district was established. The Trustees obtained legal opinion and it was determined that this tile is now considered district tile.

Questions were raised about the legality of raw sewage being directly deposited into the drainage district tile. The current classification was also discussed. It is the still the original and it was agreed that it should probably be reclassified. It was discussed that the district was assessed in 1953, 1960 and again in 1998.

Landowners discussed that just spot repairing would be putting a band aid on the problem and not fixing it long term. They would like to see it fixed and capable of keeping up with the needed capacity.

Repair options were discussed. Either option of spot repairing or tile replacement would be over the \$50,000 threshold and would require an engineer's report and hearing. Creating an engineer's report typically costs about \$3,000-\$5,000. It was discussed that the Code of Iowa mandates the Trustees to maintain the tile and perform any needed/requested repairs. Landowners agreed that they would like to see options including just repairs, replacement and increasing capacity (improvement) included in the engineer's report. It was stated that the tile is currently flowing.





McClellan moved, Granzow seconded to approve for Ryken Engineering to produce Engineer's Reports that includes repairing the tile, replacing the tile and for improving the capacity of the tile. It was discussed that in the meantime, all needed repairs should be temporarily repaired and not left open. All ayes. Motion carried.

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