

# **NORTHERN OZAUKEE FARM DRAINAGE BOARD MINUTES**

## **Special Meeting -- Monday, October 30, 2023**

The special meeting of the Northern Ozaukee Farm Drainage Board was called to order at 10:06 a.m., on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023, by Chairman Daniel Teunissen. Present were Commissioners Daniel Teunissen, Dan Birenbaum and David Mueller, Attorney for the District, Michael P. Herbrand and District Record Retention Clerk, Cindy Oskey. Guests in attendance were Sandi Tretow, Ozaukee County Treasurer, Don Feyereisen, Gene Dana Brian Gesch and Garrett Dodson. Notice of the meeting was found to have been properly published in the Ozaukee Press and the Lakeshore Weekly, two weeks prior to the meeting date.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prior meeting minutes were read by David Mueller to the board and guests. Motion by David Mueller, second by Dan Birenbaum to approve the minutes. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Brian Gesch asked if there was public comment during this meeting and questioned the process. Chairman Teunissen said the purpose of the meeting was to open the bids and public comments would be allowed at the next meeting.

The district clerk presented three bids to the board and attorney – Top Chop, LLC from Cedar Grove, L&L Clearing from Fairwater and Interstate Tree Clearing from Oconomowoc.

The board reviewed the bids. There was some discussion on the bids and the companies that provided them. Interstate has history with doing work on Silver Beach Road in the Town of Belgium. L&L provided the drone video used on the website. Top Chop's owner Garrett Dodson was present and is from the area. There were questions about experience and equipment to be used.

Chairman Teunissen changed the discussion to preparing a permit process for culverts for the district. This would involve a simple approval process to document an agreement between the landowner and the district. It would provide consistency of the diameter of the culverts and documentation of ownership and date of installation. There were two examples provided from the State of Wisconsin and the Town of Holland. Attorney Herbrand agreed to put together a permit form to be approved at the next meeting. It was agreed there would be no cost for the permit just a need for approval. This would apply to any new or replacement of current culverts. This would apply to individuals and municipalities.

There was further discussion about future assessments. Also preparing the district map with legal descriptions to capture any ownership changes. There will be an update at the next

meeting from the Sheboygan County treasurer about documents received from Bart Chapman at DATCP.

The bid amounts were announced as approximately \$859,000 from Interstate with it broken down by vendor determined zones. \$105,000 per mile by Top Chop and time and materials with no total by L&L Clearing. The bids will be posted on the website.

The next meeting will be the annual meeting on November 13, 2023, at 10 am.

Motion by David Mueller, second by Dan Birenbaum to adjourn. Motion passed by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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David Mueller, Secretary

APPROVED:

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Daniel Teunissen, Chair