

FARIBAULT COUNTY  
 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
 OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
 DRAINAGE AUTHORITY MEETING  
 FEBRUARY 4, 2014

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met at the Faribault County Ag Center in the City of Blue Earth as the Faribault County Drainage Authority pursuant to the recess of the regular session on February 4, 2014. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. County Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator John Thompson, Drainage Engineer Joe Mutschler and Drainage Inspector Merissa Lore and Soil and Water/Planning and Zoning Program Administrator Michele Stindtman were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Loveall.

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the February 4, 2014 agenda.

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Roper/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings from the January 7, 2014 drainage authority meeting.

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the following bills totaling \$14,869.00:

System	Repair	Order#	Branch	Comm Dist	Twp	Section	Landowner	Repair Type	Vendor	Contractor	Percentage	Cost
JCD514MF	13-047	2	Main	2	Jo Daviess	26	Loren Benz	Large Trees and old spoil	6778	Snyder Tree Service	75%	\$6,000.00
CD90	13-140	2	main trunk	3	Clark	17	Duane Johnson		6597	Martin County	%	\$900.00
JCD23FM	13-183	2	c1	4	Winnebago City	18	Steve Schonrock	Replacement	1212	Weerts Construction Co.	100%	\$7,544.00
JD9FBE	14-003	1	A & B	4	Delavan	1	Duane Smothers	grading	1212	Weerts Construction Co.	100%	\$425.00
											Total:	\$14,869.00

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the following new project list:

System	Repair	Order#	Branch	Comm Dist	Twp	Section	Landowner	Problem/Proposed Work
JD9FBE	14-003		A & B	4	Delavan	1	Duane Smothers	Grade Waterway

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Michele Wigern updated board on State Grant for County Ditch 87. The City of Wells may be interested in taking control of County Ditch 87 but needs a resolution of support for a grant before that process can be completed.

Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve support for the City of Wells grant application for green projects on County Ditch 87.

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A hearing was set for County Ditch 25 and County Ditch 25 Branch A for 9:00 a.m. on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in the Ag Center meeting room.

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Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve 2014 crop damage payment rates at \$850 per acre for corn and \$500 per acre for beans.

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A hearing will be held on March 25, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. in the Ag Center meeting room for landowners on County Ditch 24 and Joint County Ditch 23 to discuss issues relating to buffer strips and shallow drainage systems.

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A court hearing on the County Ditch 10 appeal is scheduled for March 25, 2014.

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The board was updated on the Drainage Work Group and the South Central Drainage Group. The Joint Board meetings are being rescheduled after being cancelled due to weather.

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Discussion was held on One Watershed, One Plan concepts. There is potential for the Blue Earth River Watershed to be a pilot project.

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The Faribault County Drainage Authority was adjourned for February 2014.

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Tom Loveall, Chair

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John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator