

FARIBAULT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
COUNTY DITCH 24 REPAIR HEARING
DECEMBER 2, 2014

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met at the Faribault County Law Enforcement Center in the City of Blue Earth as the Faribault County Drainage Authority on December 2, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. for a repair report on County Ditch 24. The meeting was called to discuss possible repairs on County Ditch 24. 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, Project Engineer Charles Brandel, I&S Group and County Legal Counsel Kurt Deter were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Loveall.

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Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator Thompson presented the affidavit of mailing.

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Project Engineer Chuck Brandel of I & S Group reviewed a repair report on the system. Discussion was held on the Engineer's Repair Report dated November 17, 2014. 3 options for repairs were reviewed. It was also stated that the south end of the shallow open ditch system had been filled in.

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The public comment portion of the hearing was opened. Lynn Cole, since he began farming in 1973. Todd Golly stated that there should be 2 separate projects including a tile project and an open ditch project. Brian Jacobson stated that tile needed to be fixed and the waterway re-shaped. Tom Golly stated the tile size needed to be increased. Engineer Brandel stated that an improvement would only increase cost incrementally. Steve Zebedee stated that tile should be outside of the open ditch. John Roper stated that a deep open ditch may be a solution.

Discussion of repair and a possible improvement solution were discussed. It was felt that landowners would be given 90 days to consider an improvement petition. At the end of 90 days the board will hold another hearing to consider the matter again.

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Warmka/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to table the repair discussion for 90 days.

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The meeting was adjourned.

Tom Loveall, Chair

John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator