

FARIBAULT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
COUNTY DITCH 62 PRELIMINARY HEARING
JULY 7, 2015

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met at the Courthouse in the Faribault County Ag Center in the City of Blue Earth as the Faribault County Drainage Authority at 1:00 p.m. on July 7, 2015 for a preliminary hearing on County Ditch 62 Improvement Petition. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. County Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator John Thompson, Drainage Inspector Merissa Lore, and Attorney Kurt Deter, county legal counsel, also attended.

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Bill Groskreutz.

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Attorney Kurt Deter discussed the purpose of the hearing.

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Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator Thompson presented an affidavit of mailing for the meeting.

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Project Engineer Chuck Brandel of I&S Group reviewed the preliminary report on the project.

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There was no preliminary advisory letter from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Engineer Brandel reported that he has contacted the DNR and received positive feedback on the proposed bioreactor on the system.

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The hearing was opened for public comment. No member of the public appeared to make comment. The hearing was closed for public comment.

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Loveall/Warmka motion carried unanimously to direct the staff to prepare an order stating that:

- a) the petition as received is adequate,
- b) the proposed drainage project outlined in the petition and recommended by the engineer is feasible,
- c) there is a necessity for the proposed drainage project, and
- d) the proposed drainage project will be of public benefit and promote the public health after considering the environmental, land use, and multipurpose water management criteria in Section 103E.015, Subd.1 of Minnesota Statutes.

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Loveall/Warmka motion carried unanimously to direct the staff to prepare the order, the engineer to proceed with preparation of the final report, and appointed Chris Christenson, Mark Behrends, Robert Hanson, and Dennis Distad as viewers for the project.

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The preliminary hearing for County Ditch 62 was adjourned.

William Groskreutz Jr., Chair

John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator