

**PUBLIC HEARING ON  
ENGINEER'S REPORT ON IMPROVEMENTS TO MAIN TILE  
DRAINAGE DISTRICT 56, HARDIN COUNTY, IOWA**

3/27/2019 - Minutes

1. Open Meeting

Hardin County Drainage Districts Board of Trustees Chairperson, Renee McClellan, opened the meeting. Also present were Trustees, Lance Granzow and BJ Hoffman; Landowners, Brad Stensland, Lynn Holechek, Kevin Sheldahl, Betty Thomas, Jon Kuhfus, Greg Larson, Sharon Larson, Terry Swenson, Mike McCartney, Dan Kumrow, Tammy Kumrow, Marcia Dicks, Sheri Young, Mike Bactrom, Bob Topp, Brad Fjelland, Ragena Spindle, Matt Topp, Jes Olsen, Ben Krause, Brian Krause and Marjori Krause; Attorney, Daniela Talmadge, with The Davis Brown Firm; Lee Gallentine with Clapsaddle-Garber Associates (CGA); Drainage Clerks, Tina Schlemme and Becca Junker.

2. Approve Agenda

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

3. Introductions/Attendance

Introductions were made and attendance verified.

4. Open Public Hearing

McClellan opened the hearing.

5. Verify Publication

Schlemme verified the notice of publication as being published in the Times Citizen on Saturday, March 2, 2019.

6. Explanation Of Project

The hearing was turned over to Gallentine who explained the project as detailed in the Engineer's Report dated February 8, 2019. He stated that this district was odd as they began needing repairs soon after the district was formed. He displayed several different options. 1) Separating the district by adding a new tile line just east of E Ave with an estimate of \$468,625.00 and \$22,281.25 road crossing. 2) Installing a larger single tile for the entire length of the district to obtain: 2a) 1/2" coefficient with an estimate of \$5,641,191.60 and \$206,353.13 road crossing or 2b) 1" coefficient with an estimate of \$7,803,417.60 and road crossing costs of \$236,971.88. 3) Installing two tile lines for the entire length of the district to obtain: 3a) 1/2" coefficient with an estimate of \$7,448,733.60 and \$281,318.75 road crossing or 3b) 1" coefficient with an estimate of \$10,681,413.60 and \$326,384.38 road crossing. 4) Installing parallel tile for the entire length of the district to obtain: 4a) 1/2" coefficient with an estimate of \$4,769,397.60 and \$193,990.63 road crossing or 4b) 1" coefficient with an estimate of \$7,471,305.60 and \$225,903.13 road crossing. 5) Installing an open ditch for the entire length of the district for an estimate of \$1,989,504.00 and road crossing costs of \$862,125.00. 6) Separating the district by adding a new tile line near the center of section 4 and replacing approximately 1/2 mile of tile going west to obtain: 6a) 1/2" coefficient for an estimate of \$1,367,444.76 and \$54,696.88 road crossing or 6b) 1" coefficient for an estimate of \$1,872,641.76 and \$64,040.63 road crossing. 7) Separating the district near the center of section 4 and replace approximately 1/2 mile with dual tile to obtain: 7a) 1/2" coefficient for an estimate of \$1,894,817.76 and road crossing costs of \$64,975.00 or 7b) 1" coefficient for an estimate of \$2,433,146.76 and \$75,253.13 road crossing. 8) Separating the district near the center of section 4 and replace approximately 1/2 mile with parallel tile to obtain 8a) 1/2" coefficient with an estimate of \$1,218,086.76 and \$46,287.50 road crossing or 8b) 1" coefficient with an estimate of \$1,800,734.76 and \$59,368.75 road crossing. Gallentine added that due to the options that separate the district and install a tile going north would outlet into a different district (DD 26), he recommends confirming if they can outlet freely without charge.

7. Written Or Verbal Comments/Discussion

Much discussion was had on which options to choose. It was discussed that it would be an option (not

shown) to separate the district with a new tile lying west of E Avenue and not replace the approximate 1/2 mile of tile. The majority of landowners agreed they preferred the option of separating the district the most and not replacing any tile. The majority also chose separating the district west of E Avenue and not east of the road. Depths of the new installed tile were discussed.

The landowners did not feel comfortable choosing an option and not knowing their costs since it will be reclassified. After a show of hands, 7 showed they wanted to do something and 11 showed they didn't want to do anything. Gallentine added that he feared those not wanting to do anything were landowners on the east side of the district and they would hold up the west side landowners that wanted the project. The Trustees then asked for a show of hands of those on the west side only and the majority showed not wanting to move forward with any project.

It was agreed by a show of hands from the majority of landowners that they would like to see a reclassification taken place. Gallentine estimated that it would cost roughly \$8,000 to \$12,000 and would take about 6-9 months to complete.

8. Close Public Hearing

Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded to close the hearing. All ayes. Motion carried.

9. Possible Action

Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded to direct CGA to reclassify the main only for the new installed line lying west of E Avenue for depths of +2 feet. All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Other Business

None.

11. Adjourn Meeting

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