

BROOKINGS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 28, 2008

The Brookings County Board of County Commissioners convened as the Brookings County Drainage Board on Tuesday, October 28, 2008, following their Commission Board meeting with the following members present: Don Larson, Mary Negstad, Dennis Falken, Emil Klavetter, and Deanna Santema.

Chairperson Santema called the Brookings County Drainage Board to order.

Planning and Zoning Director, Robert Hill, discussed a drainage issue near Lake Sinai Township in Lake County. The board directed Commissioner Larson to contact the parties involved and explain that the drainage situation is in Lake County and affects a township road in Brookings County, so therefore the board has no jurisdiction in the area in question.

Hill also discussed a drainage issue on 214th Street between Lake Sinai and Oslo Townships. The board will need to address a lift station and a pipe running under a township road and whether or not the township board gave permission for the pipe to run under the road. Hill says permission was not granted through his office.

Hill also presented the draft Brookings County Drainage Plan to the board. The first change he noted in the plan was changing the size of a watershed, for which they will issue drainage permits, from 80 acres or more to 20 acres. Hill says this change will increase the number of drainage permits that the office processes. A second change is the Planning and Zoning Office wants a record of all tiling that takes place in the county. Hill says he will get the plan out to the public and published in upcoming weeks. Commissioner Falken believes a public hearing in the evening at a larger venue should be scheduled to discuss the plan.

There being no further business, Chairperson Santema declared the meeting adjourned.

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