

BROOKINGS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, June 30, 2009

The Brookings County Board of County Commissioners convened as the Brookings County Drainage Board on Tuesday, June 30, 2009, with the following members present: Donald Larson, Alan Gregg, Mary Negstad, Deanna Santema and Dennis Falken.

Chairperson Larson called the Brookings County Drainage Board to order.

The board discussed a drainage issue along 464th Avenue near 205th Street in Oakwood Township. Wayne Thompson, Tom Kleinjan, David Terrall and Steve Sapp made comments to the board.

Tom Kleinjan updated the board on a pumping station he put in and how he is working with Volga Township to get the water to a primary creek outlet.

Planning and Zoning Director Robert Hill updated the board on a drainage concern in Section 29 of Sherman Township. Hill also updated the board on a drainage issue in Oslo Township regarding a pipe in the township right of way.

Hill presented the board with a draft of the Brookings County Drainage Plan.

Highway Superintendent Larry Jensen discussed giving permission to farmers allowing them to outlet water in county road rights of way.

Chairperson Larson recognized Senator Pam Merchant who attended both the Commission and the Drainage Board meetings. Merchant requested a meeting with Chairperson Larson and Vice-Chairperson Falken to discuss issues that she could bring to the state level. She said that she thinks they can do some creative budgeting together. Larson said that they could set aside some time on an upcoming agenda as general discussion. Merchant said that she would like to get a broader scope of issues with department heads, but she would also like to get more in-depth on the issues with Commissioners Larson and Falken. The board agreed to schedule a meeting in the near future.

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

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