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Clay County Ditch No. 31 Use as Outlet Hearing Minutes

Monday August 8, 2022

Managers Present: Peter Fjestad; Catherine Affield; Paul Krabbenhoft; Gerald Van Amburg; Mark Hanson.

Managers Absent: John Hanson; Troy Larson.

Staff Present: Kristine Altrichter, Administrator; Lee Olson, Watershed Specialist; Matthew Schlauderaff, Watershed Specialist.

Consultants Present: Erik Jones, Engineer; Bennett Uhler, Engineer, Houston Engineering, Inc. (HEI).

Others Attending: Steve Thompson; Philip Rogers.

President Fjestad called meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

This meeting was held to discuss petition dated June 28, 2022, submitted by Philip Rogers to use Clay County Ditch No. 31 as an outlet for W ½ SW ¼ SW ¼, Section 11, Barnesville Township and SE ¼ SW ¼, Section 11, Barnesville Township.

Petition to use Clay County Ditch No. 31 as an outlet for subsurface water from proposed tile project in W ½ SW ¼ SW ¼, and SE ¼ SW ¼, Section 11. Surface water will continue to flow south. Uhler recommended assessing W ½ SW ¼ SW ¼, and SE ¼ SW ¼, Section 11 half the benefits of adjacent parcel, as has been done for similar requests in the past. Adjacent parcel assessed \$1.27 per acre, so proposed \$0.64 per acre for W ½ SW ¼ SW ¼, and SE ¼ SW ¼, Section 11. In total, area added to Clay County Ditch No. 31 benefit area is 60 acres. Total benefit for land added is \$38.40, increasing total benefits for Clay County Ditch No. 31 to \$52,000.40.

Petition to use Clay County Ditch No. 31 as an outlet for tile project. Landowner received approval from Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to outlet water into road ditch. Water will flow through road ditch into Clay County Ditch No. 31. Benefit area for Clay County Ditch No. 31 will be updated with a water management district for Stony Creek Water Resource Management Project.

President Fjestad adjourned meeting at 6:41 PM.

/s/ John Hanson

Secretary