

**Traill County Water Resource District**  
**INFORMATINAL MEETING**  
**November 28, 2018**

The District Board convened on this date and came to order at 9:00am originating at the office of the Traill County Water Resource District. Managers present were: Joel Halvorson, Gary Thompson, Andy Neset, Jason Lovas and Jason Siegert. Also present were Attorney Sean Fredricks and Engineers Chris Gross and Josh Hassell and those whose names appear on the attached attendance roster.

Chairman Siegert opened the meeting at 9:00am to discuss the following:

**POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BLANCHARD-NORMAN DRAIN NO. 23-40**

Chris Gross described the history of the Blanchard-Norman Drain 23-40 to include the following complaints:

- Poor drainage
- Deteriorating structures
- Crop damage

In the spring of 2018 the WRD passed a Resolution to direct the engineer to provide preliminary engineering including survey data, etc.

Chris then showed the existing legal drain map and existing assessment district and described the proposed project items to include:

- Replacing the failing structures
- Reducing crop damage
- Improvement of ag field drainage
- Improvement of legal drain outlet
- 10-year design event
- Reduce maintenance costs

Another map was handed out of the proposed project reflecting a project start with an extension on the Mayville-Blanchard Drain No. 39 with the project finishing at the Norman Drain No. 40.

It was explained that the importance of making improvements to Drain 23-40 would not only benefit the landowners, but also the schools, emergency services, etc. in the event the bridges are washed out and roads closed due to a flood event.

Chris then explained the steps moving forward to include:


- Finishing project design
- Estimating projected benefits
- Notice of Hearing
- Project Hearing
- Vote tally

- Assessment Hearing (if vote passes)
- Final design and right of way acquisition
- Project bid and construction

Questions and comments from those in attendance were then addressed.

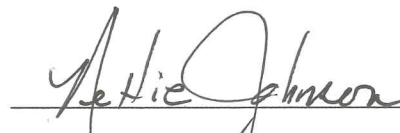
Manager Neset moved to direct Moore Engineering, Inc. to survey Section 13 of Blanchard Township for the possible improvement of the Blanchard-Norman Drain 23-40. Manager Lovas seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Hearing no further comments, Chairman Siegert closed the meeting at 10:30am.



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Jason Siegert, Chairman



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Nettie Johnson, Secretary

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