Stanwood Drainage District Board April 29, 2010 Cedar County Board of Supervisors, acting as Stanwood Drainage District Board

Moved by Moeller seconded by Weih to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board.

Ayes: Weih, Moeller, Deerberg, Boedeker, Bell

Assistant County Attorney Renander met with the Board to discuss the process for a possible assessment for work in the District. Renander asked the Board what type of work might be done. He reviewed the Code concerning what is considered a repair and an improvement. Renander asked how many dollars would be needed. He noted if the amount is over \$20,000 or 75% of the original cost (\$30,000), an engineering report is required, and there would be a notice and a hearing for comments from landowners. The Board felt the work suggested would be considered a repair, since it would just be moving a line that is there and it would not be exceeding the original size of the tile. It has been proposed that the ditch be reshaped in one area due to damage that was done by the flow of water during excessive rains over the years. Discussion continued. Renander noted there is a classification system in place from 1916 for the District. Members wondered where the funds would come from for an engineering report. Bell noted approval for the project would be needed by the Soil & Water Conservation Office. It was the consensus of the Board to ask Merle Gronewold if the project would be over \$22,500, and if so, then an engineering report would be needed. Atty. Renander said he would continue to research this matter.

Moved by Moeller seconded by Weih to return to regular session. Ayes: Boedeker, Deerberg, Moeller, Weih, Bell

Prepared by: Bev Penningroth
Administrative Assistant

Stanwood Drainage District Board
July 8, 2010
Cedar County Board of Supervisors, acting as
Stanwood Drainage District Board

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board.

Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board, as requested. Chairperson Bell noted if a repair project on property owned by Dennis Coppess in the district north of Stanwood is over \$22,500, an engineering report is required. He asked for Fangmann's interpretation of that report. There would be a public hearing for comments from landowners and others. Fangmann understood that the drainage ditch needs to be moved to the north and the tile put at the proper depth. Chairperson Bell confirmed that. Fangmann said he could put that in writing, and he noted staff from the Secondary Road Department shot where the tile is currently located, so he could incorporate the survey into the report. Sup. Deerberg wondered if it could be on a Geographic Information Systems map. Fangmann said they could get an aerial map of the area. It was noted that notification would be given to landowners in the district, and a public hearing would be held at which the landowners could comment. Sup. Weih wondered if the costs would be paid by the Stanwood Drainage District Fund. Chairperson Bell said yes. A legal notice concerning the public hearing would be put in the newspaper. Engineer Fangmann said he would take another look at the drainage ditch area.

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to return to regular session.

Ayes: All

Prepared by: Bev Penningroth

Assistant Administrator to Auditor

Stanwood Drainage District Minutes August 2, 2010 Cedar County Board of Supervisors, acting as Stanwood Drainage District Board

Moved by Moeller seconded by Weih to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board.

Ayes: All

Sup. Moeller wondered if when the engineering report comes back, if it is costly, and there are no monies, would the Board meet with the landowners in the district. He felt the Supervisors should push harder on this matter of possible repairs/improvements to the drainage tile, since the window of opportunity for work this fall is not wide. Sup. Weih read from the Iowa Code concerning a hearing date, assessments, etc. Members wondered about the County "fronting the money" and then assessing the landowners. Sup. Boedeker told the Board Robert Dircks would like to discuss the district with the Board, because there is a problem upstream. He felt they could have a meeting before the engineering report is complete. Weih thought a meeting could be called for discussion with the landowners, since there may be other problems or concerns that the Board is unaware of. Sup. Bell agreed they could schedule an informal meeting in Stanwood. The Board agreed. A possible date was discussed.

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to hold an informational meeting with the landowners on August 24, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Stanwood Park Shelter. Discussion was held. A memo to landowners was reviewed.

Ayes: All

Moved by Weih seconded by Moeller to approve the July 8, 2010 minutes.

Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board, as requested. Bell asked when the engineering report would be complete. Fangmann said it would be when the mainline paving project is taken care of, at which time he would have staff available. Bell told Fangmann there will be an informational meeting on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

Moved by Weih seconded by Moeller to return to regular session.

Moved by Moeller seconded by Weih to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board.

Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann presented a drawing of the area where improvements/repairs may be considered. He asked if the intent is to move the waterway to the north. Members indicated no, and they felt the tile may be moved, but the waterway would remain where it currently is. Fangmann felt it would be difficult to give a cost estimate at this time. Engineer Fangmann will attend the meeting with landowners on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Brief discussion continued.

Moved by Weih seconded by Moeller to approve the minutes of August 2, 2010.

Ayes: All

Moved by Weih seconded by Moeller to return to regular session.

Stanwood Drainage District Minutes August 23, 2010 Cedar County Board of Supervisors, acting as Stanwood Drainage District Board

Moved by Moeller seconded by Deerberg to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board.

Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann reviewed a report he prepared concerning the northeast lateral in Section 23 T82N R3W in Fremont Township. Discussion was held concerning drainage, tile placement and other possible concerns that may be expressed by landowners at the meeting which will be held on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

Moved by Moeller seconded by Weih to approve the minutes of August 12, 2010.

Ayes: All

Moved by Deerberg seconded by Weih to return to regular session.

## Stanwood Drainage District Board August 24, 2010

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in special session at 6:00 P.M., August 24, 2010 with the following members present: Boedeker, Deerberg, Moeller, Weih and Chairperson Bell. The Board convened at the park shelter in the City of Stanwood as the Stanwood Drainage District Board to meet with landowners in the District to discuss possible repairs and/or improvements. Engineer Fangmann and approximately 25 other individuals were in attendance.

Chairperson Bell referenced an area north of Stanwood where the tile line is getting shallow and that the Board has started to look at possible repairs, a tiler has been contacted, and the County Engineer has prepared a report. Bell asked the Engineer to address the report. Engineer Fangmann noted the tile was located, it was identified with G.P.S., the area was surveyed and maps were made. He looked at everything to get options. There has been repeated erosion. Fangmann felt where the tile is at poses a problem with the volume of water there is. He noted the solution they came up with for this particular area is to relocate the tile to the north and to the west. Fangmann felt this would gain more coverage because of the laterals coming in. He recommended not placing the tile too far north, and he suggested re-establishing the waterway. He referenced long-term longevity and trying to get the tile to not lose its coverage. Fangmann indicated the Corps of Engineers and Department of Natural Resources are cracking down as far as straightening things out, so they want to see meandering streams to help dissipate the energy. He again noted that their recommendation is to relocate the tile away from the natural waterway in order to keep cover. Chairperson Bell noted the Supervisors were assigned the Stanwood Drainage District Management. There is approximately \$6,000 in that fund. Maintenance and minor repairs have been done. The last assessment was done in 1991. Bell noted there are certain stipulations when improvements are proposed. He felt if the tile is left as is, there could be problems. Chairperson Bell opened the meeting for discussion. Sup. Boedeker described the location in the district where repairs are being considered. Dennis Coppess noted it was the Hoyman farm. Fangmann thought there is an average of two feet of coverage over the current tile in that area. Robert Dircks asked what they are proposing to put in. Fangmann looked at replacing the current 24-inch tile with another tile that's the same size and redoing the waterway. When asked about a timeframe for the work, Bell felt they'd want to do it this fall if possible. Sup. Moeller noted there are not enough funds in the Stanwood Drainage District Fund to cover the cost of the work. Bob Coppess wondered if any government dollars would be available. Engineer Fangmann noted in 1993 there were some funds available, but he didn't know of any flood dollars that would qualify for this project. Bell felt the funds in 1993 were probably tied to a flood event. An individual wondered if tile would fix the problem, and he asked if putting in a ditch would be better. He asked who would be assessed. Boedeker said the landowners in the district. Moeller noted the district has an established boundary. The individual asked if they ever look at changing the boundaries to see if additional properties drain into the district. Moeller didn't think the boundaries had ever been changed. Someone thought the district was established in 1916. An individual thought the creek never froze last winter, but another individual felt it always freezes over. One individual indicated if more water drains, more people would benefit. Moeller thought that farming practices have changed which allows water to flow more readily. James Stockman asked if everyone in town received a letter. It was noted the rural classified properties in the district and the City of Stanwood received a letter. An individual asked how they separate the drainage problem in the city from the rural area. He indicated there is a drainage problem in the city. Bell said the law doesn't speak to that except that if the whole district was in the city, it could be turned over to the city, but most of this district is in the rural area. The individual indicated that everything from Hwy 38 comes through the city. He wondered who is responsible for maintaining the tile. Bell said the City is responsible for maintaining the tile in the city and the District is responsible for maintaining the tile in the rural part of the district. One person asked if they are repairing or replacing it. Boedeker indicated as long as they put in the same size tile, it is considered a repair. Linda Coppess wondered if putting in the same size is going to fix the problem. Boedeker indicated something different could be done. Dennis Coppess felt a 24-inch tile wouldn't fix the problem. He suggested placing an additional 24-inch

tile beside the current one and cleaning out the waterway. Dennis Coppess felt there would still be flooding, but he felt there is too much pressure. Sup. Deerberg felt the Board could do what the landowners in the district want to do, but noted it would all get assessed back to the landowners. Sheryl Mullen, representing Voelker Family Farms, indicated their ground has always had water. Dennis Coppess thought there are two 18inch tiles on the Voelker property. One individual suggested creating another tile to the south of the current one. He thought they have to have an outlet, and thought the answer is not moving the tile. Dennis Coppess felt they should protect the existing tile. Bell noted they would still have to move it to get more cover. Dennis Coppess felt they'd have to abandon the tile that is there. Fangmann noted they looked at just maintaining what is there, not the additional water. The report is based on maintaining what is there. Deerberg felt that the landowners are wondering what the cost to everyone would be. Weih thought it would be assessed as so much per acre. Moeller thought there was a map of what size tile was where. Dennis Coppess thought the tile had been replaced on the lower half. The 24-inch tile empties into the open ditch. Dennis Coppess thought the 24inch tile runs across the property and dumps in the creek, and 18-inch tiles run from there up through Voelker's. Robert Dircks thought that on the property he farms there is an 18-inch tile and some 8-inch tiles. He noted water backs up after large rains, so the tiles don't have a chance to work. Direks suggested trying to get rid of the water so it doesn't sit there for days, and then the other tiles would work better. He referenced making a waterway, but they don't want to allow it until there is drainage away from it. Dennis Coppess felt the waterway would be needed between two 24-inch tiles. Dircks agreed and he referenced the price of crops and ground, and the loss of dollars. Weih felt that the main concern is to have enough funds available to do what needs to be done. He wondered if a hydrologist may be needed, but that may take more dollars than are in the fund. Weih asked if the owners want to do, do they want to look at an improvement? If so, he noted that is a different situation. He thought it boils down to the money required, and he thought they could sell bonds. Weih referenced determining what a study would cost. He felt an improvement could slow things down if it is contested. Weih noted maintenance in a district is clear in the Code, but improvements are a different ballgame. He wanted to make sure the majority of the owners are in agreement about what should be done. Bell noted this is an informational meeting, and if improvements are to be done, there would be a public hearing. Dircks asked if they would destroy the old 24-inch tile. Boedeker noted there is not enough cover. Ray Linder wondered why spend dollars on maintaining. He felt if the volume isn't improved, they'd be throwing money down the drain. He wouldn't vote for maintaining, and suggested looking toward an improvement. Bell wondered how many would be in favor of an improvement, such as larger tile lines, and doing some research on the cost. Dennis Coppess wondered if that would include putting in a waterway. Bell wasn't sure about the jurisdictions with N.R.C.S. Keith Lehrman felt they should have someone professionally look at it. Boedeker indicated he was okay with that, but wondered if the cost would be \$6,000 to \$8,000. Moeller referenced the idea of drawing new boundary lines for the district, which may allow more landowners to be assessed. Dennis Coppess thought that is what they were doing. Discussion was held regarding drawing new boundaries, drainage and assessments. Bell felt that a professional could incorporate all the options they are able to do as a district. He noted the Board laid out what the repair process is, but they wanted to know what the landowners felt should be done. Bell felt the Board wants to make sure the owners understand that they are trying to be good stewards of their money. He felt it is fine with the Board if an improvement is the route they want to go down. Bell told those in attendance that the Code allows them to form their own jurisdiction for the district and maybe they'd want to do that. An individual asked if an Engineer gives them options and the cost to do that is more than what is in the fund, then would the assessment be raised. Bell thought perhaps that would be the case. Weih felt perhaps the County could front the money and then assess. One individual didn't think a tile would fix the problem, and he felt a ditch may not work. Someone wondered if the open ditch had been dredged. Bob Coppess thought it had been dredged twice. Rex Idlewine asked if the City of Stanwood would be assessed. Bell noted they were assessed in 1991. He referenced doing further research concerning assessments. Bell again asked for a show of hands on who would be in favor of getting an engineering professional to see what's allowed as far as improvements and what it would cost to do those improvements. Approximately eight individuals raised their hand. Bell asked for a show of hands on who would not be in favor of that. No one raised their hand. Bell said the Board would pursue it in the

manner of improvements. Bell noted the Drainage District minutes are published in the newspapers. He asked what type of communication would be preferred in the future. The consensus was by mail. A few individuals left their email addresses. GIS maps are not yet being placed on the web site, but Bell noted a map could be obtained. Mr. Linder asked where funds would come from for this pre-work. Linder and Keith Lehrman felt perhaps they could get someone to come out and give an estimate that could be incorporated in the final costs. Linda Coppess suggested having a Request for Proposals. Boedeker felt they would have to pay some money for that. Dennis Coppess felt they would want the improvements the way the owners want them. Boedeker agreed. Bell noted the County may be able to front dollars until the assessments could be paid, or perhaps they could sell bonds. One individual felt the owners would like to know where this project is going before a spade is turned. Bell felt some money would be needed to do the engineering. Dennis Coppess wondered if the Board would look at expanding the district. Moeller thought they would look into it. Royce Lehrman felt they should not give an owner a choice of backing out of an assessment. Bell asked Fangmann if a hydrologist could tell them what land is draining into the area. Fangmann indicated yes. Bell said research on the possibility of expansion of the district would be done. Chairperson Bell thanked everyone for coming and told them the Board would communicate with them.

On motion, the Board adjourned at 6:52 p.m., to August 26, 2010.		
Cari Gritton, Auditor	Jon E. Bell, Chairperson	

Stanwood Drainage District Board August 26, 2010

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board.

Ayes: All

Chairperson Bell noted he spoke to Assistant County Attorney Renander regarding the meeting with landowners on August 24, 2010. Bell read from the Code regarding annexing in additional lands by resolution. Deerberg noted Wayne Brown indicated to him that his land drains to the west. It was felt an engineering study would reveal how the water drains. Bell said Renander will research everything. Weih wondered who could check into funding and selling bonds, so the Board could get an opinion on what they can do. Discussion was held regarding tiling and joining tiles into existing tile in the district. Auditor Gritton joined the discussion, as requested. Bell noted landowners in the district want to proceed with major improvements. He asked her to research whether the County can expend up-front costs such as engineering costs, could interest be charged, the assessment process, the time period be for the assessment, and the process for bonding. Bell noted the County Engineer is checking on some other things.

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to approve the minutes of April 23 & 24, 2010. Ayes: All

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to return to regular session.

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board to discuss possible repairs and/or improvements.

Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann and Assistant County Attorney Renander were in attendance. Chairperson Bell noted the landowners indicated they want more than repairs, depending on the costs, so they would like to know what the costs would be. He referenced possibly doing a study on whether to include additional properties into the district or taking out properties. Moeller wondered what the process would be to include properties. Atty. Renander indicated a report would show who benefits, therefore who would pay an assessment. He noted the option of suggesting improvements, reclassification and then a public hearing. Bell told Renander the Board needs to know how to proceed. He noted funds would likely be needed for the study/report before work could be done in the district. Bell wondered if the County could front the money or would an assessment be needed to pay for the study. Renander felt the work suggested would be an improvement. Fangmann wondered if a formal letting is needed to hire a consultant. Moeller wondered how soon funds could be obtained through an assessment. Auditor Gritton joined the discussion. She indicated an assessment could be attached to taxes payable in September 2011. Moeller wondered if the present owners would be used for the assessment for the study. Atty. Renander said yes. Bell felt they would have to get started on this matter. Bell referenced the District borrowing funds from the County. He felt most of the landowners understood dollars would be incurred to find out what needs to be done. Bell wondered if a Request for Proposal would be done, those would be received, and a public hearing would be held on the study dollars. Renander suggested notifying landowners by First Class mail. It was noted the last assessment was done in 1991 for an amount of \$21,000. Renander advised that a public hearing be held prior to receiving the RFP's. Deerberg felt that once the landowners see the costs involved, they may back off the whole thing. Atty. Renander will do research and meet again with the Board. Bev Penningroth noted a call was received from Lori Ostrich in Stanwood indicating she has drainage concerns. Bell felt it is up the City of Stanwood to notify residents of public hearings for the District. Renander agreed. The City would include an assessment as part of the residents' taxes. Atty. Renander left the room. Engineer Fangmann will talk to other Engineers about drainage districts. He will prepare an RFP concerning analyses, construction, hydraulics, costs involved, improvements, reclassification on expansion of the district, handling paperwork and setting up meetings/hearings. Moeller wondered if the open ditch was man-made or natural. Fangmann felt the main thing with the D.N.R. and the Corps of Engineers is that if it meanders and they try to straighten it, you need to mitigate. Bell wondered if it would be okay to do a study in the winter. Fangmann said yes, unless they need to do probing. Discussion continued. Bell asked the Auditor to research when an assessment can be put into place and what the options are for the number of years the assessment can be paid.

Moved by Weih seconded by Moeller to approve the minutes of 9-26-10. Ayes: All

Moved by Deerberg seconded by Moeller to approve payment of Claims to the City of Stanwood for \$20 for park shelter rental, Conservative for \$51.81 for publication of minutes, Pitney Bowes for \$31.68 for postage and West Branch Times for \$18.02 for publication of Minutes.

Ayes: All

Moved by Weih seconded by Moeller to return to regular session.

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board to discuss repairs and/or improvements.

Ayes: All

Assistant County Attorney Renander and Engineer Fangmann met with the Board. Chairperson Bell asked if they needed to let bids for the survey/study. Atty. Renander doesn't think so. He read from Code Section 468.126(4)(a). He advised that because it references appointing an Engineer, they can do so without requesting bids. Renander said the actual improvement project would require a notice and a public hearing. The Engineer needs to be specialized. Sup. Moeller wondered if this falls under repairs or improvements. Renander felt it would apply to either. He has consulted with counsel at I.S.A.C. on the matter of hiring an Engineer for the survey, and he agrees with Renander. Engineer Fangmann agreed also. Fangmann has talked to numerous County Engineers that have drainage districts in their counties. There is a specialist in the Fort Dodge area, and he's been told there are other firms that could do the work. Atty. Renander left the room. Engineer Fangmann presented a draft of a Request for Proposal concerning the survey/study. Discussion was held. Reference was made to Code Section 468. A proposed time for bids to be submitted would be the end of October or first part of November. This matter will be discussed further at the Board's next meeting.

Moved by Weih seconded by Moeller to return to regular session.

September 23, 2010 Stanwood Drainage District Board Tipton, Iowa

Moved by Weih seconded by Moeller to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board to discuss a study concerning possible repairs/and or improvements.

Ayes: All

Engineer Fangmann met with the Board to review a Request for Proposal concerning a study of the District. Fangmann reviewed the draft of the RFP and names of engineering firms that he has been told do this type of work. Bell suggested asking the engineers to give a presentation to the Board. Fangmann said he would include that in the RFP. He noted once they are in the improvement phase, there are things to follow in the Code of Iowa. Deerberg said he spoke to someone that remembers that Rock Creek was dredged to assist with the drainage ditch long ago. Fangmann expects the engineers to give options. It was the consensus to ask that the proposals be submitted by 11-4-10 and that the engineers give presentations to the Board that morning.

Moved by Moeller seconded by Deerberg to direct the Engineer to send the Request for Proposal to: Kuehl and Payer Ltd.

Attn: Don Etler 1609 Highway 18E Algona, IA 50511-1117

French-Reneker Associates Attn: Kent Rice 1501 South Main Street Fairfield, IA 52556

Curry-Wille & Associates 425 South Second Ames, IA 50010

and presentations will be on November 4, 2010.

Ayes: All

Discussion was held regarding publication of the Drainage District minutes. More research will be done, but the consensus was that at this time a synopsis of the minutes will be published in the Sun News and a one-time notice will be published in the Conservative indicating the minutes are available on the County's web site, they will be published in the Sun News, and they are available for viewing at the Auditor's Office.

Moved by Moeller seconded by Deerberg to approve the minutes of September 20, 2010. Ayes: All

Moved by Deerberg seconded by Moeller to return to regular session.

November 4, 2010 Stanwood Drainage District Board Tipton, Iowa

Moved by Deerberg seconded by Weih to convene as the Stanwood Drainage District Board.

Aves: All

Absent: Moeller

Paul A. Loete, P. E. and Rachelle L. Troje of MSA Professional Services met with the Board to give an engineering study presentation. Engineer Fangmann was in attendance. Mr. Loete presented documentation. He gave a presentation. Areas discussed in his presentation were, but not limited to: an overview of MSA, storm water services, meetings, bridge & culvert hydraulics, project experience, the project team and their duties, project understanding, proposed scope of services, proposed consulting fees, map of the area, possible properties/areas to include in the district, possibility of a storm water retention basin, researching possible grants, meeting with landowners, taking bids for construction phase and a plan to proceed. Chairperson Bell wondered if the work this company has done for the City of Stanwood could be tied into this project. Loete noted his company did peak flow rates for Stanwood, the city is in the district, and the flows are quantified. He felt after completion of this phase of the project, the Board would be able to provide educated information to the owners about what the problems are and the most cost effective solutions. Their scope of services included procurement of data, reconnaissance and mapping, evaluation, reporting and public involvement, which each have a separate fee. Mr. Loete was hesitant to give costs for expected improvements, before the study is done. His company would give estimated costs before construction is started. Engineer Fangmann wondered if there is the potential for any grants for this project. Loete indicated MSA's staff would look for any possible grants, and discussion would be held regarding financing. Bell wondered if the district could pair up with the City of Stanwood in a grant situation. Loete felt that was possible. He noted these projects on the watershed level are looked on more favorably. Boedeker wondered how far around the district MSA would look, and he felt to the north edge would be more advantageous. Loete said they would go far enough around the district to understand where the topographic breaks are and where the tiles are at. Bell noted it may cross into Jones County. Boedeker felt they should talk to the owners face to face. Loete would like to do that. He told the Board MSA would stop the project when notified by the Board. They would expect payment for the tasks that were completed. For example, they would stop after Task 1-Procurement of Data, if that's the Board's decision. Fangmann wondered if the fees take care of the technicalities of Section 468 in setting up a potential assessment or reassessment. Loete said their proposed fees do not include setting up an assessment and modification of the drainage district itself. Technical and legal aspects are not included in their fees, but the fees do include giving an estimated cost. If MSA has a good understanding of the project, he can give a lump sum cost. Loete said if they don't have a meeting with the owners up front, they would only bill for time they have invested in the project. If they are expected to do monthly meetings, he would expect a modification of the fee. It is not their intent to put together construction

plans and specifications for improvements at this point, because at this point he doesn't know what they are. They could assist with that. Chairperson Bell felt the plan would be to choose a firm, then proceed with a presentation to the landowners, receive input from the landowners, and then if it is a go, then the Board would go on to the next phase. Bell told Mr. Loete the Board would get back to him regarding this matter. Loete and Troje left the room.

Moved by Deerberg seconded by Weih to approve the minutes of October 28, 2010.

Ayes: All

Absent: Moeller

Moved by Weih seconded by Boedeker to approve payment of a claim for the Sun News in the amount of \$24.91 for publication of minutes.

Ayes: All Absent: Moeller

Discussion was held with Engineer Fangmann. He referenced correspondence from Kuehl & Payer concerning the project, which was reviewed by the Board. Discussion was held. The consensus was to hold a meeting with the landowners if and when a company is selected. Fangmann noted the Union Pacific Railroad may be involved with a project unless we stay out of their right of way. Chairperson Bell said the Board would do research and think about this matter, and he asked the Engineer to do the same.

Moved by Weih seconded by Deerberg to return to regular session.

Ayes: All

Absent: Moeller