

SPINK COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

Unapproved Minutes

October 16, 2009

The Spink County Drainage Board met on October 16, 2009 at 8:30 am. Chairman Dave Albrecht called the meeting to order with Jeff Albrecht, Brian Johnson, Craig Johnson, Administrator Kimberly Markley and Victor Fischbach, Spink County State's Attorney present. Jerry Zerbel arrived at 9:30 am. A list of guests present is available in the Spink County Equalization office.

Randy Kuehn explained his application for the drainage permit. Mr. Kuehn would like to install drain tile on SW 1/4 of 8-115-63 and drain water to the north into a slough located on his land. The main tile would be 8" and the branches 4" to 6". A second drain tile would be installed on the N 1/2 of 7-115-63 and drain to the NE to the slough. The second tile would be 5" to 6".

Jim Millar was in attendance and shared his thoughts on drain tiling as a means to manage water.

Many questions were asked by the public including impact to downstream land owners, how much water would be added to the slough, quality of water from the drain tile, salinity & chemical and weed issues. There was also discussion on the possibility of needing a Drainage District.

The public testimony portion of the hearing was closed for board discussion. After discussing the many concerns and questions brought forth by the public, Brian Johnson made a motion to deny the application from Randy Kuehn, second by Jeff Albrecht. The motion passed 4 to 1 with a roll call vote Craig Johnson nay, Jerry Zerbel aye, Jeff Albrecht aye, Brian Johnson aye and Dave Albrecht aye.

The board requested that Kim Markley and Vic Fischbach research information on Drainage Districts for the next meeting.

Chairman Dave Albrecht declared the meeting adjourned at 10:45 am. The next Drainage Board meeting will be Tuesday, November 3, 2009 during the regularly scheduled commissioners meeting.

Dave Albrecht, Chairman
Spink County Drainage Board

ATTEST:
Kimberly Markley, Drainage Administrator
Spink County, South Dakota

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