

DRAINAGE MEETING
JOINT DISTRICT POLK-STORY #1
MAY 30, 2023

The Drainage District Trustees of Polk and Story Counties met via Zoom in the Public Meeting Room of the Story County Administration Building in Nevada, IA to consider a levy against Joint Drainage District Polk-Story #1, Story County controlling, and to consider a preliminary reclassification of the same district. Members present were Latifah Faisal, chair, Linda Murken, and Lisa Heddens of Story County and Robert Brownell, Angella Connolly, Tom Hockensmith, Matt McCoy, and Robert Brownell of Polk County. Also present were Story County Engineer Darren Moon, Communications and Social Media Intern Bryce Garman, and Drainage Clerk Scott Wall, Polk County Board Clerk Rebecca Dewey, Planning Director Bret Vandelune, and Attorney Dominic Anania, Bolton & Menk Drainage Engineer Tyler Conley, and an attendee identified as J Cahill.

Faisal called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Murken moved, seconded by Connolly, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously (MCU).

Wall said Polk-Story #1 currently has a deficit of \$68,130.90. We know there will be more money spent in this district but he is recommending a levy now to avoid an accumulation of interest on the current debt. A levy of 217% (see attached levy sheet) would generate \$73,296.63, leaving a carryover of \$5,165.73. This would be the surplus Wall would like to see in the district if there was no pending work. Considering that there are potential repairs/improvements to be done in this district he expects that a levy will be necessary next year as well. The reason for a levy now is to avoid an accumulation of interest against the current debt and its attendant burden on the district landowners.

Faisal asked what the \$33,777.25 on the levy sheet represented.

Wall said that was the original cost to establish the district and the basis for all assessments. The 217% levy he is recommending is 217% of the \$33,777.25. He said we are meeting on this today because the Code of Iowa requires that drainage assessments be certified to the Treasurer on or before May 31. We could meet in June and say payments will be due on September 30, 2023 but they would not be delinquent until September 30, 2024. By meeting now payments will be delinquent after September 30, 2023 although it will actually be after October 2 since September 30 is on a Saturday this year.

Brownell moved, seconded by Heddens, to approve a levy of 217% against Joint Drainage District Polk-Story #1, said levy to be due and payable on or before October 2, 2023 and any parcels with assessments in excess of \$500 will have the option to spread their payments over 10 years at 6% interest. MCU.

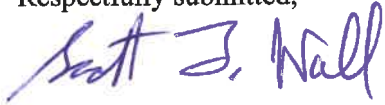
Conley spoke briefly about the preliminary reclassification (on file in the Polk and Story Auditor's Offices). It is based on all of the recommendations in the Engineer's Report (also on file) being carried out and does not represent what landowners will actually pay. Rather it represents what each parcel will pay relative to the other parcels in the district. It is broken down into the work to be done on the Main Tile, the Branch A Tile, and the Branch B Tile.

Heddens moved, seconded by Hockensmith, to acknowledge receipt of the Preliminary Reclassification. MCU.

Heddens moved, seconded by Brownell, to direct staff to find a date and time for a public hearing not less than 20 days from today to present the Preliminary Reclassification to the landowners in Joint Drainage District Polk-Story #1 and to consider next steps in the proposed repairs/improvements. MCU.

Murken moved, seconded by Hockensmith, to adjourn. MCU. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott T. Wall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "S".

Scott T. Wall

POLK-STORY DRAINAGE DISTRICT LEVY WORKSHEET

May 30, 2023

<u>DRAINAGE DISTRICT</u>	<u>CURRENT BALANCE</u>	<u>BILLINGS</u>	<u>NEW BALANCE</u>	<u>ORIGINAL ASSESSMENT</u>	<u>PARCELS</u>	<u>% ASSESSMENT</u>	<u>AMOUNT LEVIED</u>	<u>CARRY FORWARD</u>
POLK-STORY #1	(68,130.90)	Ongoing	(68,130.90)	33,777.25	53	217	73,296.63	5,165.73
Last levied on 07/01/2011. Current shortfall is due to an Engineer's Report done in February of 2020. Now awaiting a preliminary reclassification.								

Levy breakdown by county (Story is control county)

Story County				20,610.27			44,724.29	
Polk County				13,166.98			28,572.35	

TOTALS					53		73,296.64	
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