

**Joint Drainage Authority Minutes for Le Sueur – Rice Counties - JD 38**  
**March 2, 2023**

The Le Sueur – Rice JD 38 met on Thursday, March 2, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Government Center in Le Center. Those members present were: Bailey Griffin, Dave Gliszinski, Jeff Docken, David Preisler, Joe Martin, Dani Ongie, Nic Kadel and Pam Herrmann. Chuck Brandel and John Kolb joined remotely via WebEx.

Chair Dave Gliszinski called the meeting to order.

John Kolb with Rinke Noonan presented the purpose of hearing and procedural requirements.

Bailey Griffin, ISG provided the Engineer's Report.

The Petition related to Le Sueur and Rice Counties Joint County Ditch No. 38 (JCD 38) is with intention of re-routing a portion of Spur 3 public open ditch of JCD38. The open ditch proposed to be rerouted runs parallel to the township road, 139th Lane, in Kilkenny Township. There is significant erosion and bank instability along the road and has posed a risk to the structural stability of the road and public safety. The township submitted a petition for re-route on September 26, 2022, to reroute the public open ditch away from the road approximately 25-feet.

Dani Ongie provided the Record of Notice Requirements.

John Kolb gave clarifications on obligations on the project. The purpose of the meeting is to authorize the modification to the drainage system.

On motion by O'Keefe, seconded by Docken, the Board opened Public Comment.

There were three public comments:

Jerry Miller, 15563 Calmut Ave, Prior Lake

Mark Morris, 16856 440<sup>th</sup> Ave, Morristown

Written comment – Kenneth Wetzel, 21104 Le Sueur Ave, Waterville

On motion by O'Keefe, seconded by Docken, the Board closed Public Comment.

On motion by Preisler, seconded by Docken, the Board unanimously directing John Kolb to prepare findings and an order consistent with the proceedings and authorizing the modification as proposed in the petition and as outlined in the engineer's report for JD38.

On motion by Preisler, with lack of a second, motion failed on choosing Option #2 - \$78,858 Drainage system costs and \$11,952 Township costs.

Jim Hebel, Supervisor with Kilkenny Township Board (45107 151<sup>st</sup> Ave, Kilkenny) provided input on the cost options.

On motion by Docken, seconded by O'Keefe, motion passed via roll call 3-1 with Preisler voting against; to choose Option #1 - \$61,975 Drainage system costs and \$28,835 Township costs.

On motion by Docken, seconded by Preisler, the Board authorizing Board Chair and Le Sueur County Auditor/Treasurer to execute documents consistent with the Board's decision today once prepared.

On motion by O'Keefe seconded by Docken, the JD54 Repair Closeout Hearing Date is set for Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 9 a.m. at the Le Sueur County Justice Center.

Chair Gliszinski recessed the Board meeting.

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Le Sueur County Administrator**      **Le Sueur – Rice Chairman Gliszinski**