

IN THE MATTER DRAINAGE DISTRICT No. 1 Reclassification Hearing
WORTH COUNTY, IOWA

MINUTES

The Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa, acting for and on behalf of Drainage District No. 1, Worth County, Iowa met at the Worth County courthouse at 9:45 A.M. CST, February 2, 2026.

Members present: Enos Loberg, Chairperson
A.J. Stone, Vice-Chairperson
Mark Smeby, Supervisor

Also present: Jacki Backhaus, Auditor
Chesley Doty, Drainage Clerk
Jacob Hagan, AgriVia Engineer
Tyler Bauman, AgriVia Engineer
Jim Hanson, Conservation Director

Landowners present: Roger Harris
Roger Dahlby
Darin Dahlby
Gene Severson
Brenda Tenold-Moretz

Via Zoom: Ryan Buske, Drainage Attorney
Nathaniel Julseth, DD 1 Commissioner
Kris Kenison, Northwood Anchor

Enos Loberg called the meeting to order and determine a quorum.

Motion by A.J. Stone/Second Mark Smeby approve today's agenda. Motion carried.

Enos reminded everyone that they were in a public hearing.

Jacob Hagan started the meeting off by explaining that we were in the continuation of reclassification of DD 1 and explained how they do the classification schedule. Jacob explained that they use three factors to determine - Affording and outlet, relieving the lands of overflow and bringing the outlet nearer. How you determine every engineer's way of determining that and they break everything into one-acre squares, determine where the water flows from there, elevation data and soil data for every acre. Then they come up with their three major factors. He said number one would be bringing the outlet nearer. He said the land closest to the ditch would benefit more than the land that is farther away. The second would be relieving the lands of overflow. He said these would be your soil types and how much need for drainage do you need. They use five different soil type scores. The third would be affording an outlet. They look at slope, infrastructure use and proximity to facility.

Roger Harris asked if someone wasn't in the district and wanted to run their own private main to the ditch what would happen. Jacob said they must be annexed in the district.

Brenda Tenold-Moretz brought maps to show Jacob.

Jacob recommended leaving the reclass the same besides the amendment. The Worth County Conservation asked for a reduction because of their land use like Crescent Swamp Lodge. Jacob said everyone will be paying for the reclass/annexation as they are in the recommended schedule and then the schedule will be updated with the amendments for future projects.

Motion by Mark Smeby/second by A.J. Stone to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

Roll Call Smeby Yea x Nay
 Stone Yea x Nay

Loberg Yea x Nay

Enos reconvened the regular meeting and took recommendations on the reclassification for DD 1.

Motion by A.J. Stone to approve the reclassification of DD 1 with the current changes/Second by Mark Smeby. Motion Carried.

Roll Call	Smeby	Yea <u> x </u>	Nay <u> </u>
	Stone	Yea <u> x </u>	Nay <u> </u>
	Loberg	Yea <u> x </u>	Nay <u> </u>

Motion by A.J. Stone to close the hearing/second by Mark Smeby. Motion carried

Hearing adjourned at 10:02 a.m.



Enos Loberg
Chairperson

ATTEST:



Chelsey Doty
Drainage Clerk