

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON SPECIAL  
ASSESSMENTS FOR DRAINAGE-RELATED IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN  
THE LAKE MICHIGAN STORM SEWER UTILITY DISTRICT, VILLAGE OF  
CALEDONIA, RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**October 5, 2010**

President Coutts called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 p.m., at the East Side Community Center, located at 6156 Douglas Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

Present: Trustee Burton, Trustee Wanggaard, Trustee Weatherston, and President Coutts. Trustee Griswold arrived at 6:50 p.m. and Trustee Wishau arrived at 7:03 p.m..

Absent: Trustee Bradley was excused.

Also present: Village Administrator Tom Lebak and Assistant Village Engineer Tony Bunkelman and Attorney Pruitt

Bunkelman gave an overall explanation of the special assessment project. 50 % of the project will be paid for by the drainage commission and 50 % to be divided up between the property owners. They have 10 years to pay it off with a 5 % interest rate.

**TESTIMONY**

Dale Miller 6520 Douglas Avenue asked about the \$2907 to the 12 properties. He also asked about change orders and if the state comes in and wants to do changes who will pay? Bunkelman said the property owners will not be charged any additional amounts.

Al 4200 Harvest Lane had a payment question. He also discussed a larger pipe. Bunkelman explained that the deciding factor would be the cover needed. The project is expected to begin this year.

Mr. Wise, Agent for resident on 4206 Harvest Lane asked a question regarding who would be assessed. He also asked about the silt issue from Tabor to Douglas. He stated that the property owners of 4206 Harvest Lane have had water issues since 1979. He basically felt it was a development issue and the assessment should be extended outside the area.

Dale Miller 6520 Douglas Avenue spoke of the project being talked about in 2000. Back then there was no assessment being charged.

Joyce Brainard asked if the retaining wall would be removed. Bunkelman stated no it is an easement and it would be harder to maintain if removed.

Mr. Wise stated the retaining wall should not have been built. He reiterated that it is a water problem from new homes.

Trustee Griswold asked about the assessment ratio. He spoke of the elaborate tile system and thought the ditch could be grated, black tile laid and three or four manholes installed. He used the Country View Estates swale as an example.

Susan Dey 3905 Hwy 38 – She thought Trustee Griswold's idea was great. She said the system works beautifully.

Jay Warner 4444 N Green Bay Rd stated that if the project goes back for review, it at as which option would work the best not just which one is the cheapest. Cheapest is not always best.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Coutts adjourned the Village Board. The Hearing adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karie Torkilsen  
Village Clerk