

**TOWN OF NEWSTEAD DRAINAGE BOARD
MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2006**

Members Present: Mark Decker
Don Kreher
Mike Rushok
Dan Kowalik
Jim DeYoung
Mike Bassanello – Highway Superintendent

Others: Andrew Casolini – Town Engineer
Jennifer Heberling – Recording Secretary

Meeting started at 7:00 pm by Mark Decker. I received a list of ditches from Andrew of future maintenance projects. Andrew will print up new maps. The last map is from 02/2005. Current map is missing project #7 and there are two project #5's. Mike will go through his files and compare our lists to what has already been completed so we can remove them from the lists.

Committee worked on identifying the ditches on Andrew's list with the corresponding map.

Andrew is going to add the open drainage issue list ditches onto the town map.

The list that Andrew provided identifies the ditches that may become a problem in the future.

Mike B. talked about possibly purchasing a piece of equipment for grinding trees. It is an attachment that attaches to a Bob-Cat and the cost is approximately \$15,000. Discussion on feasibility of buying this piece of equipment.

Mark D. wondered if any of the ditches can be worked on during the winter while things are frozen. Mike B. has been thinking about starting on the Bloomingdale ditch. Andrew believes that starting on Cedar Street and ending on Bloomingdale might be a good place to start for 2006.

Andrew would like Nathan to make a comprehensive list of town wide easements. Mike B. to check and see if he has copies of easements at the Highway Department. Andrew will talk to Nathan and Mike B. will check his files and they will both report back to the committee.

Priority for 2006 - #1 for upcoming year is the Cedar Street to Bloomingdale Avenue ditch. Regular maintenance would also continue. Village will help on an "as-needed" basis.

There is going to be a joint meeting between the Town Board and the Village Board next Monday, January 23rd. Andrew is going to speak to Don Shonn about Aakron Rule. It appears Aakron Rule did not follow their site plan which included a retention pond. The Drainage Board needs to know where the Village stands with the code enforcement in regards to this situation. Discussion about this situation followed.

The minutes from the December 20, 2005 meeting were accepted. Motioned by Dan Kowalik, second by Mike Rushok.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Jennifer Heberling
Recording Secretary