

**THE ANOKA HERALD**

*Affidavit of Publication*

In re Ditch 54

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Arthur R. Canwell  
Editor  
By Carrie J. [Signature]

# The Anoka Herald

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State of Minnesota, }  
County of Anoka } SS

## Notice of Pendency of Ditch Petition.

State of Minnesota, County of Anoka, ss.—  
Whereas, The petition of H. N. Douglass and others, bearing date the 12th day of October, 1912, praying for the establishment of a public ditch along the route proposed therein, has been filed in my office,

Now, Therefore, Notice is hereby given of the pendency of said petition, and that the same will be heard and considered by and before the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Anoka, State of Minnesota, at their special meeting to be held at the court house in the City of Anoka in said county on Wednesday, the 10th day of June, 1914, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

A true copy of said petition is as follows, to-wit: Petition for Public Ditch. To the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Anoka, State of Minnesota: The undersigned land owners, whose lands will be liable to be affected by, or assessed for the expense of, the construction of the public ditch and branches hereinafter described, would respectfully represent that the establishment and construction of a public ditch and branches along the following described route in the Town of Anoka in said County of Anoka, and that the establishment and construction of the same would be of public benefit and utility and will promote the public health and is necessary for the following reasons, to-wit: The territory to be drained by the proposed public ditch and branches consists of a large area of very low marsh and bog land, which is overflowed and covered with stagnant water during a large portion of the time, and is too wet and soft to be of use during other times, rendering it valueless for any purpose in its present condition; the soil thereof is of a high quality and very fertile, and when drained, will be of great value for agricultural purposes of various kinds; the stagnant waters upon said lands emit noisome odors and exhalations and furnish a breeding place for great numbers of mosquitoes and other pests, and constitute a menace to the health of the public, which menace will be removed by the drainage to be obtained through the establishment and construction of the proposed public ditch and branches.

A general description of the proposed starting point, route and terminus of said public ditch and branches is as follows:

Commencing at the point where Coon Creek crosses the north line of section nine (9), in township thirty-one (31) and range twenty-four (24), thence following generally the course of Coon Creek, widening, deepening and cutting the bends of the same, southerly through said section nine (9) and easterly through section ten (10), said township and range, and southeasterly through the southwest quarter (sw 4) of section eleven (11), said township and range, and southerly through the northwest quarter (nw 4) of section fourteen (14), said township and range, and terminating at the point where said Coon Creek crosses the east and west quarter line of said section fourteen (14), in said Coon Creek as its outlet; together with such branch or branches as may be necessary to drain the territory tributary to said main ditch and render it of the most utility and benefit. And your petitioners pray that you will proceed to establish such public ditch and branches and cause the same to be constructed as provided by Chapter two hundred and thirty (230) of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1905 and the acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

Dated October 12th, A. D. 1912.  
L. J. Greenwald, W. W. Stockwell, H. N. Douglass, J. F. Wanbaugh, A. G. Anderson, Margaret Douglass, Petitioners.

Dated at Anoka, Minn., this 12th day of May, A. D. 1914.

(Seal) ARTHUR A. CASWELL  
Auditor of Anoka County, Minn.  
May 19, 26, June 2,

R. P. CHASE being duly sworn, on oath says: That he knows of his own knowledge that the annexed printed Notice of Pendency of Ditch Petition hereto attached, was taken from the columns of the newspaper known as THE ANOKA HERALD, and was published in said newspaper for 3 successive weeks, first on Tuesday, the 19th day of May, 1914, and thereafter on each successive Tuesday until and including Tuesday, the 2nd day of June, 1914. That during the whole time of said publication affiant was the secretary of The Anoka Herald Publishing Company, which was during said time, and still is, a corporation under the Laws of the State of Minnesota, and the proprietor, printer and publisher of said newspaper. That for more than one year prior to the commencement of said publication therein, said newspaper has been, and still is, a weekly newspaper, issued, printed and published on Tuesday of each week, in the English language, in column and sheet form, equivalent in space to more than four pages with five columns of at least seventeen and three-quarters inches length to each page, from a known office, established in such place of publication, equipped with skilled workmen and the necessary material for preparing and printing the same, and located and printed in the City of Anoka, County of Anoka and State of Minnesota, from whence it purported to be, was, and is, issued; and that during all said time it contained, and still contains, general and local news, comment and miscellany, not wholly duplicating any other publication, and not entirely made up of patents, plate matter and advertisements; and that during all said time it has been, and still is, circulated in and near its place of issue and publication to the extent of more than two hundred and forty copies, regularly delivered to paying subscribers. That on the Ninth day of August, 1911, the affidavit of R. P. Chase, Secretary of said corporation, publisher of said newspaper, was filed in the office of the County Auditor of said Anoka County, for the purpose of complying with Section 5516 of the Revised Laws, 1905.

5th day of June, 1914.  
Arthur A. Caswell  
Auditor Notary Public, Anoka County, Minnesota.

My Commission expires..... 191.....