

December 26th, 2017

The Hendricks County Drainage Board met in the Commissioners' Room on the first floor of the Hendricks County Government Center. Those present were President Matthew D. Whetstone, Vice President Phyllis Palmer, Members Bob Gentry, Jack Maloney, and Stan Ryland, Hendricks County Attorney Greg Steuerwald, Hendricks County Surveyor David Gaston, Secretary Gary Sowers, Andre Heath of the Surveyor's Office, Michelle M. Taulman and Joey Lopez.

President Matthew D. Whetstone determined there was a quorum and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Member Stan Ryland led a prayer for those who wished to participate. President Whetstone called for the first order of business.

RE: IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

President Whetstone requested a motion with regards to the minutes of the December 12th, 2017 Drainage Board meeting. Member Jack Maloney moved to approve the December 12th, 2017 Drainage Board minutes as amended. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was passed on a 4-0-1 vote, with President Whetstone abstaining because he was not at the meeting on the 12th.

RE: IN THE MATTER OF BILLS TO BE PAID:

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Member Bob Gentry moved to approve the Auditor's Report as presented. Member Stan Ryland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

GENERAL DRAIN IMPROVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION FEES

Mink Excavating	496 Henry Parker	\$	5,664.00
Robert Smoot	723 Stratford of Avon	\$	2,625.00
Total Reconstruction Fees Due:			\$ 8,289.00

Hendricks County Surveyor David Gaston stated that the Robert Smoot expense was due to the contractor leaving a sewer pipe uncovered during sub-freezing temperatures. The pipe froze and caused the home owner \$2,625.00 in expenses. Mr. Gaston said his office would invoice the contractor and try to recover the money for the Drainage Board. Member Jack Maloney moved to approve the General Drain Improvement Fund Reconstruction fees in the amount of \$8,289.00. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

RE: INTRODUCTION OF OTHER BUSINESS OR ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION BY COUNSEL, STAFF OR PUBLIC:

Stratford of Avon MOU

Hendricks County Attorney Greg Steuerwald stated that the MOU for the Stratford of Avon pond drainage easement was ready, with the exception of removing the fifth clause that stated "*any disturbance, damage, or other direct impact to the Bryant property as a result of the project will be*

repaired by Hendricks County.” Member Jack Maloney moved to approve the Stratford of Avon easement MOU with the removal of the stanza recommended by the Hendricks County Attorney. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

RE: HENDRICKS COUNTY SURVEYOR DAVID GASTON:

Robert Kennedy Regulated Drain

Hendricks County Surveyor David Gaston stated his office had received three sealed quotes for the Robert Kennedy Regulated Drain project. Discussion followed. The quotes were as follows:

Beechwood Construction	\$ 21,300.00
Taylor Cooper Excavating	\$ 33,500.00
Murrain Excavating	\$ 33,900.00

Mr. Gaston requested time to review the quotes. Vice President Palmer moved to grant the Surveyor time to review the quotes. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

John Barnett Regulated Drain Easement.

Mr. Gaston informed the Board that he had discussed the John Barnett Regulated Drain Easement situation with Mr. Dunbar regarding his barn being within the regulated drain easement. He let Mr. Dunbar know that if he did not want to fill out the Encroachment Request and the Hold Harmless Agreement, the County would still hold him to Indiana Code 36-9-27. Mr. Gaston went on to say Mr. Dunbar seemed okay with the situation as he had explained it. Discussion followed.

2018 Drainage Board Schedule

Mr. Gaston presented the Board with the proposed 2018 Hendricks County Drainage Board Schedule. He stated at the December 12th meeting, there was some discussion about moving the Drainage Board to the 10 or 11 o'clock hour to give the Board more time for the meetings. Member Stan Ryland stated that having the meeting later in the day may cause a problem for Member Jack Maloney as it would cut into his farming schedule. President Whetstone stated that moving the meeting back would be a conflict for Mr. Steuerwald and himself during the first part of the year as they had state legislative responsibilities. Discussion followed. Vice President Palmer moved to accept the proposed meeting schedule staying at the 8:00 A.M. start time. President Whetstone seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

Stratford of Avon Regulated Drain Project

Mr. Gaston wanted the Board to know that the lawsuit portion (north of Juliet Drive) of the Stratford of Avon Regulated Drain project was completed ahead of the deadline. Discussion followed. He informed the Board there were issues, not related to the lawsuit, with the contractor that would have to be worked out (i.e. the afore mentioned sewer pipe, and destruction of private property outside the easement). Discussion followed.

Timber Bend Regulated Drain Easement (Taulman Property)

Mr. Gaston presented the Board with the Resistivity Testing Report from Earth Exploration, he stated his office had received it late Friday afternoon and he had not had a chance to review it yet. Discussion followed. The Surveyor's Office Inspector Andre Heath went over the report with the Board quantifying his dialog with the caveat that he had not had a chance to go over it with a representative of Earth Exploration. Discussion followed. Mr. Gaston stated he believed a meeting needed to be setup, hopefully soon, with all parties including Mrs. Taulman, the Town of Avon, a representative of Earth Exploration, the Surveyor's Office and the Drainage Board. Mrs. Taulman requested, if at all possible, the meeting be held before the end of the week of December 29, 2017. Discussion followed.

RE: IN THE MATTER OF WISHES TO BE HEARD:

None cited.

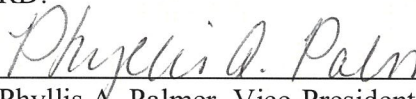
RE: INTRODUCTION OF OTHER BUSINESS OR ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION BY COMMISSION MEMBERS:

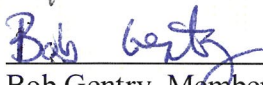
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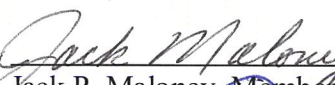
Seeing nothing further before the Board, Member Bob Gentry moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice President Palmer seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

HENDRICKS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD:



Matthew D. Whetstone, President


Phyllis A. Palmer, Vice-President


Bob Gentry, Member


Jack P. Maloney, Member

Not Present
E. Stanley Ryland, Member

ATTEST: 
Gary W. Sowers II, Secretary