

June 25th, 2019

The Hendricks County Drainage Board met in the Commissioners' Room on the first floor of the Hendricks County Government Center. Those present were President Phyllis A. Palmer, Vice President Matthew D. Whetstone, Members Bob Gentry, Jack Maloney and Stan Ryland, Hendricks County Attorney Greg Steuerwald, Hendricks County Surveyor David Gaston, Hendricks County Engineer John Ayers, Chief Deputy Surveyor Tiffany Dalton, Dirk Leonard, Gary Sowers, and Philip Going.

President Phyllis A. Palmer determined there was a quorum and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Hendricks County Attorney Greg Steuerwald led a prayer for those who wished to participate. President Palmer then called for the first order of business.

RE: IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

President Palmer requested a motion with regards to the minutes of the June 11th, 2019 Drainage Board meeting. Member Jack Maloney moved to approve the June 11th, 2019 Drainage Board meeting minutes as presented. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

RE: IN THE MATTER OF BILLS TO BE PAID:

DRAIN MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

Beechwood Construction	Drain 477 William Batz	\$	500.00
	(Acct Balance- \$ -6,659.25)		
Beechwood Construction	Drain 752 White Lick Creek Est.	\$	2,495.00
	(Acct Balance- \$ -5,595.10)		
Eco Infrastructure	Drain 409 Mary A. Gibbs	\$	710.00
	(Acct Balance- \$ -89,138.79)		
Eco Infrastructure	Drain 477 William Batz	\$	452.50
	(Acct Balance- \$ -6,659.25)		
Mink Excavating	Drain 477 William Batz	\$	960.00
	(Acct Balance- \$ -6,659.25)		
Waters Farms	Drain 700 Preston Estates	\$	600.00
	(Acct Balance- \$ -279.57)		
Williams Creek	Drain 483 Nash Trucksess	\$	1,500.00
	(Acct Balance- \$ 111,135.94)		
Wood Water Management	Drain 477 William Batz	\$	500.00
	(Acct Balance- \$ -6,659.25)		
Wood Water Management	Drain 404 Michael-Martin Dugan	\$	1,340.00
	(Acct Balance- \$ -14,502.44)		
Total Maintenance Fund Due:		\$	9,057.50

Vice President Whetstone moved to approve the Maintenance Fund bills in the amount of \$9,057.50. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

June 25th, 2019 Auditor's Report

Member Stan Ryland moved to approve the June 25th, 2019 Auditor's Report as presented. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

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

RE: HENDRICKS COUNTY ATTORNEY GREG STEUERWALD:

None cited.

RE: HENDRICKS COUNTY SURVEYOR DAVID GASTON:

Countryside Estates Regulated Drain

Mr. Gaston informed the Board that his office had received two sealed quotes for phase 1 removal of the trees of the Countryside Estates Regulated Drain project and asked they be opened. President Palmer asked for the quotes to be opened, they were as follows:

Murrain Excavating	\$ 39,500.00
OTS Construction	\$ 60,000.00

After review Mr. Gaston recommended Murrain Excavating as the lowest responsible quote with \$39,500.00. Member Stan Ryland moved to follow the Surveyor's recommendation. Vice President Whetstone seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

Preston Estates Regulated Drain

Mr. Gaston stated the farmer next to the Preston Estates Regulated Drain project had agreed to allow the spoils to be spread across his field. Discussion followed. Mr. Gaston also informed the Board that his office was having trouble getting a response from Hendricks Power about the poles in the easement. Member Stan Ryland said he would assist with this problem. Discussion followed.

Ross Regulated Drain

Mr. Gaston informed the Board that he had met with Boone County Surveyor Ken Hedge and Joe Miller of Banning Engineering to go over the plan for the Ross Regulated Drain project. He stated Mr. Hedge had agreed to the plan and sent a letter to that affect. Mr. Gaston said they all agreed to wait until after fall harvest to begin the project. Member Jack Maloney said that they should check with the famers because several of the fields in that area were in plant protection and they may be able to start earlier. Mr. Gaston said he would check with Mr. Hedge. Discussion followed.

2020 Budgets

Mr. Gaston said he had prepared a letter for the Board to the County Council requesting the \$1,000.00 a year raise for the Drainage Inspectors, Dirk Leonard and Tiffany Dalton, based on the Drainage Board vote at the last meeting. Discussion followed. The Board thanked Mr. Gaston and signed the letter.

Chief Deputy Surveyor Tiffany Dalton

Mr. Gaston informed the Board that he had promoted Tiffany Dalton to Chief Deputy Surveyor. The Board Congratulated Mrs. Dalton on her promotion.

RE: IN THE MATTER OF WISHES TO BE HEARD:

None cited.

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

Vice President Whetstone

Vice President Whetstone stated there was a drainage issue on the north east corner of County Road 1000 North and State Road 267. Discussion followed. Mr. Gaston and Mr. Ayers said they would look into the issue.

Vice President Whetstone said he had gone out to Clermont Heights and had seen several drainage issues. Discussion followed. Mr. Ayers stated the highway department was doing some work in the area to help the situation but, both he and Mr. Gaston agreed it would take a major overhaul of the drainage system to help all of Clermont Heights, and it was not a regulated drain. Discussion followed.

Vice President Whetstone informed the Board he had received a communication from Mike Roberts. Mr. Whetstone read the communication to the Board. In summary Mr. Roberts had stated how quickly and efficiently Chief Deputy Tiffany Dalton had helped him with a concern. He said she was very professional and responsive.

Member Stan Ryland

Member Stan Ryland said he had been approached by a resident near Mill Creek about log jams that were causing farm fields to flood and wanted to know if anything could be done. Mr. Gaston said unfortunately Mill Creek was not a regulated drain and was under the jurisdiction of the DNR so he was not able to offer any help. Mr. Ayers said the Highway Department was only allowed to clear jams under bridges or near the roads. Discussion followed.

Member Jack Maloney

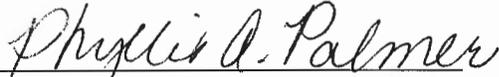
Member Jack Maloney stated a neighbor to his property had asked to cross his parcel to use the Kate Lee Regulated Drain to ease his drainage problem. Mr. Maloney explained to him that the Kate Lee needed to be videoed to make sure it was working properly. The neighbor asked about a private tile that went east away from their property. Mr. Maloney explained they would have to ask the owner of the

tile. Discussion followed. Mr. Ayers said the Highway Department was also looking into the situation to see if they could help.

ADJOURN:

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

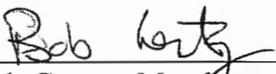
HENDRICKS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD:



Phyllis A. Palmer, President



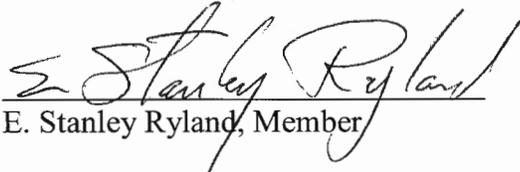
Matthew D. Whetstone, Vice-President



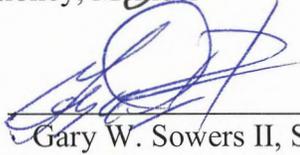
Bob Gentry, Member



Jack P. Maloney, Member



E. Stanley Ryland, Member

ATTEST: 

Gary W. Sowers II, Secretary