

April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The Hendricks County Drainage Board met in the Commissioners’ Room on the first floor of the Hendricks County Government Center. Those present were President Bob Gentry, Vice President Phyllis A. Palmer, Members Dennis W. Dawes, Jack Maloney and Stan Ryland, Hendricks County Surveyor David Gaston, Dirk Leonard, Blake Stephenson, Nathaniel Shaffer, Gary Sowers, Dick Robertson, Debra Baker, Jeff Healy, Joe Miller, and David Eichelberger.

President Bob Gentry determined there was a quorum, then led the Pledge of Allegiance, and a prayer for those who wished to participate. President Gentry then called for the first order of business.

**RE: IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

President Gentry requested a motion with regards to the minutes of the April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Drainage Board meeting. Member Jack Maloney moved to approve the April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023; Drainage Board meeting minutes as amended. Member Stan Ryland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

**RE: IN THE MATTER OF BILLS TO BE PAID:**

**DRAIN MAINTENANCE EXPENSES**

Morgan County	Drain 546 Richard Mynatt (Lake Ditch)	\$	2,924.00
	Acct. Balance - \$ 5,134.24		
Murrain Excavating	Drain 531 Stout Richardson (469 Alfred Glover)	\$	7,000.00
	Acct. Balance - \$ 47,150.84		
<b>Total Maintenance Fund Due:</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>9,924.00</b>

Member Jack Maloney moved to approve the Maintenance Fund bills in the amount of \$9,92400. Member Stan Ryland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

**AUDITOR’S REPORT**

April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Auditor’s Report

Member Stan Ryland moved to approve the April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023; Auditor’s Report as presented in the amount of \$9,924.00. Member Jack Maloney 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:**

Not present.

**RE: HENDRICKS COUNTY SURVEYOR DAVID GASTON:**

**John Rutledge Regulated Drain**

President Gentry suggested a wheel machine might be a better solution for the Rutledge Regulated Drain project, it would save the Board money and time. Mr. Gaston explained that currently there were no standards set in the current Storm Water Handbook for using a wheel machine and he would not feel comfortable trying to write a scope of work for, or having to inspect the work of a wheel machine until those standards were set. Discussion followed. Member Maloney said this would be the perfect time to test it as the Rutledge Drain was not too deep and most of it was open ground. Hendricks County Inspector Blake Stephenson stated that there were about 530 feet of trees along the drain and the old pipe would still have to be removed. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Board to have the wheel machine standards ready by the second meeting in May. Vice President Palmer moved to open the sealed quotes. Member Dennis Dawes seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 4-1 vote with Member Jack Maloney voting against the motion as he believed this was the best time to use a wheel machine, saving the Board money and time. The quotes were as follows:

Alexander Contractors	\$ 72,388.25
Murrain Excavating	\$121,320.00

After reviewing the quotes Inspector Blake Stephenson recommended Alexander Contractors as they had the lowest responsible quote at \$72,388.25. Discussion followed. Member Stan Ryland moved to follow the recommendation. Member Dennis Dawes seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Continental Estates Regulated Drain**

The Board was informed that two sealed quotes had been received for the Continental Estates Regulated Drain project. President Gentry requested they be opened. The quotes were as follows:

Murrain Excavating	\$127,780.00
Alexander Contractors	\$199,927.18

After reviewing the quotes Inspector Dirk Leonard recommended Murrain Excavating as they had the lowest responsible quote at \$127,780.00. Discussion followed. Member Dennis Dawes moved to follow the recommendation. Member Jack Maloney seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Arbuckle Regulated Drain Reconstruction Hearing:**

President Gentry opened the public hearing for the Arbuckle Regulated Drain Reconstruction Hearing. He was informed no letters had been received in remonstrance to the reconstruction. President Gentry then called on Hendricks County Surveyor David Gaston. Mr. Gaston gave a synopsis of the Arbuckle Regulated Drain and explained that the project would be paid for by ARPA funds. President Gentry then asked if there was anyone who wished to speak. He recognized Ms. Debra Baker (8600 North County Road 650 E). Ms. Baker was concerned that the plans called for her driveway to be cut in two places and it may preclude her ingress and egress of the property, as well as damage the integrity of the pavement. Mr. Gaston and Mr. Stephenson explained that there was very little room between her drive and the pond, and this was the best route for the drain as it was a 30-inch pipe and the two old 12-inch tiles had to be removed. They assured her that her driveway would be put back to as near its current condition as possible and she would only be unable to use it for a couple of hours at each cut. President Gentry also stated the inspector in charge would return to her

property in 6 months to make sure the pavement was still in good shape. President Gentry asked if there was anyone else who wished to speak. Seeing none, he closed the public meeting. Discussion followed. Member Jack Maloney moved to follow the Surveyor's recommendation and proceed with the reconstruction using ARPA funding. Member Stan Ryland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

#### **Rutledge - Barnett Regulated Drains**

President Gentry and Member Maloney expressed concern about the Rutledge outlet into the John Barnett Regulated Drain. President Gentry stated the old bridge for the B&O trail appeared to be holding back water and the bottom may need to be cut. Mr. Gaston stated he would like to have an engineer review the structural integrity of the bridge before any changes are made, as the B&O Trail would be using the bridge for their walking path.

#### **RE: IN THE MATTER OF WISHES TO BE HEARD:**

None cited.

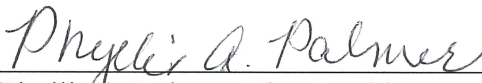
#### **RE: INTRODUCTION OF OTHER BUSINESS OR ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION BY BOARD MEMBERS:**

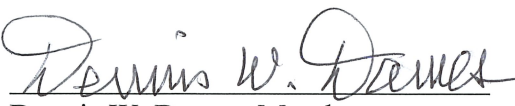
#### **ADJOURN:**

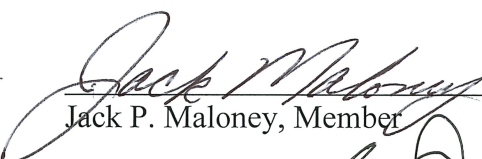
Seeing nothing further before the Board, Member Dennis Dawes moved to adjourn the meeting. Member Stan Ryland seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

HENDRICKS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD:


  
Bob Gentry, President

  
Phyllis A. Palmer, Vice President

  
Dennis W. Dawes, Member

  
Jack P. Maloney, Member

  
E. Stanley Ryland, Member

ATTEST:   
Gary W. Sowers II, Secretary

