

November 26<sup>th</sup>, 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, Chief Deputy Surveyor Tiffany Dalton, Dirk Leonard, Blake Stephenson, Gary Sowers, Robin Woodrum, Millie Koopman, Martin Weaver, Jud Wolfe, Scott Olinger, Bob Stanton, Dick Robertson and Joe Miller.

President Phyllis A. Palmer determined there was a quorum and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Member Stan Ryland 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 November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Drainage Board meeting. Member Jack Maloney moved to approve the November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Drainage Board meeting minutes as amended. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

President Palmer requested a motion with regards to the minutes of the November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Drainage Board Hearing. Member Jack Maloney moved to approve the November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Drainage Board Hearing minutes as presented. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

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

**REVIEW FEES**

Christopher Burke \$ 7,248.75

***Total Review Fees Paid out of General Fund:*** \$ 7,248.75

Member Bob Gentry moved to approve the Review Fees in the amount of \$7,248.75. Member Jack Maloney seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.

**DRAIN MAINTENANCE EXPENSES**

Arthur's Excavating	Drain 477 William Batz	\$ 27,917.63
	Acct. Balance: \$ -197,014.42	
Banning Engineering	Drain 477 William Batz	\$ 2,870.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ -197,014.42	
Banning Engineering	Drain 632 Gilbert Woods	\$ 712.50
	Acct. Balance: \$ -350.92	
Banning Engineering	Drain 647 Hidden Valley	\$ 712.50
	Acct. Balance: \$ -16,322.54	
Banning Engineering	Drain 715 Springtown Heights	\$ 475.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ 4,040.25	
Beechwood Construction	Drain 400 Garvey Neal Pollard Todd (402 PT)	\$ 25,300.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ 385,476.93	

Beechwood Construction	Drain 752 White Lick Creek Estates	\$	875.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ -8,931.71		
Eco Infrastructure	Drain 489 Mary E. Wilson	\$	515.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ 268,431.47		
Eco Infrastructure	Drain 490 Timothy Quinn	\$	452.50
	Acct. Balance: \$ 762,973.08		
Murrain Excavating	Drain 700 Preston Estates	\$	41,235.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ -96,603.63		
Taylor Cooper	Drain 413 Swain	\$	4,500.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ 11,585.32		
Taylor Cooper	Drain 590 Clermont Lakes	\$	4,850.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ 154,539.10		
Via Excavating	Drain 460 Thomas Feeney	\$	13,650.00
	Acct. Balance: \$ 169,993.34		
<b>Total Maintenance Fund Due:</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>124,065.13</b>

Member Bob Gentry moved to approve the Maintenance Fund bills in the amount of \$124,065.13. Member Stan Ryland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Auditor's Report

Member Bob Gentry moved to approve the November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Auditor's Report as presented. Member Stan Ryland 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:**

### **Drainage Board Application Fees**

Hendricks County Surveyor David Gaston reminded the Board of their discussion on application fees and how they could be reallocated to a newly created account, subject to the County Council appropriation, instead of GDIF. Hendricks County Attorney Greg Steuerwald stated, yes this could be done. Mr. Gaston recommended having the application fees tracked and then asking the County Council for a new Drainage Board account during the 2021 budget meeting. Mr. Steuerwald stated that the Board could also invest some money from the GDIF and Drain Maintenance account. He said that investing from GDIF was easy however investing from Drain Maintenance would be very time consuming. Member Bob Gentry moved to follow the Surveyor's recommendation except for Drain Maintenance he would like Mr. Steuerwald to investigate further into the Drain Maintenance investment. Member Jack Maloney seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

**Stout–Richardson Regulated Drain**

Mr. Gaston asked if the Stout-Richardson Regulated Drain project sealed quotes could be opened. President Palmer requested they be opened. The quotes were as follows:

Stephenson Excavating	\$13,706.00
Murrain Excavating	\$19,406.25
Beechwood Construction	\$31,595.00

After reviewing the quotes Chief Deputy Surveyor Tiffany Dalton recommend Stephenson Excavating as they had the lowest responsible quote at \$13,706.00. Discussion followed. Member Bob Gentry moved to follow the Chief Deputy’s recommendation. Member Jack Maloney seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

**Martin Dugan Regulated Drain**

Mr. Gaston asked if the Martin Dugan Regulated Drain project sealed quotes could be opened. President Palmer requested they be opened. The quotes were as follows:

Beechwood Construction	\$34,980.00
Murrain Excavating	\$45,875.00
Mink Excavating	\$57,000.00

After reviewing the quotes Chief Deputy Surveyor Tiffany Dalton recommend Beechwood Construction as they had the lowest responsible quote at \$34,980.00. Discussion followed. Member Jack Maloney moved to follow the Chief Deputy’s recommendation. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

**Cambridge Regulated Drain**

Mr. Gaston asked if the Cambridge Regulated Drain project sealed quote could be opened. President Palmer requested it be opened. The quote was as follows:

Via Excavating	\$31,762.00
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After reviewing the quote Chief Deputy Surveyor Tiffany Dalton recommend Via Excavating as they had the lowest responsible quote at \$31,762.00. Discussion followed. Member Jack Maloney moved to follow the Chief Deputy’s recommendation. Member Stan Ryland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

**Pine Creek Regulated Drain – Sealed Quotes**

Mr. Gaston asked if the Pine Creek Regulated Drain project sealed quotes could be opened. President Palmer requested they be opened. The quotes were as follows:

Beechwood Construction	\$ 83,368.00
Murrain Excavating	\$108,436.00

After reviewing the quotes Chief Deputy Surveyor Tiffany Dalton recommend Beechwood Construction as they had the lowest responsible quote at \$83,368.00 Discussion followed. Member Stan Ryland moved to follow the Chief Deputy's recommendation. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

### **Henry Parker Regulated Drain**

Mr. Gaston reminded the Board of the request from the Koopman family to reduce their reconstruction payment or waive the penalties as Mr. Koopman had recently passed. They also did not believe the regulated drain was benefitting them. Mr. Gaston said that Inspector Blake Stephenson had gone out and examined the area and found the drain was working properly but there were some blow holes in the private connector tiles. After talking to the Koopman family they agreed the tile was working but, still asked if something could be done about the interest penalty on the unpaid balance due on the reconstruction bill. The Board took the request under advisement and asked Hendricks County Attorney Greg Steuerwald to look into the situation.

### **Westridge Estates Regulated Drain**

Mr. Gaston reminded the Board that Mr. Ed Kottkamp had previously asked the Board for help with the excess water and sediment coming from Westridge Estates Regulated Drain onto his property. Mr. Gaston then recused himself from the discussion as he and Mr. Kottkamp attend the same church and had known each other for many decades. Chief Deputy Tiffany Dalton informed the board that Mr. Kottkamp had recently asked Murrain Excavating to come out and give an estimate on the cost for dipping out the sediment at the inlet to his pond. The estimate was \$2,500.00. Chief Deputy Dalton then informed the board that she felt this was a reasonable request as the high volume of water coming from the Westridge Estates Regulated Drain was most likely the cause of the excess sediment. She stated that in the near future erosion control would be needed on the westside of the feeder drain to the pond. She noted however unless the cattle were kept out of the private drain on Mr. Kottkamp's property the sediment would continue to build up. Vice President Whetstone move to approve the work to clear out the sediment with the warning that if Mr. Kottkamp was not able to keep the cattle out of the drain the Board would not clean it out again. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

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

President Palmer recognized Bob Staton of Banning Engineering. Mr. Staton asked to have the Garvey Neal Pollard Todd Regulated Drain Easement that runs along the eastern border of the proposed Harris Pointe Subdivision reduced from Seventy-Five (75) feet to Fifty (50) feet. Discussion followed. Vice President Whetstone moved to Table the request to allow the Board more time to consider the request. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.


President Palmer recognized Mr. Judd Wolfe Assistant Superintendent of Plainfield Schools. Mr. Wolfe stated following the Board's request they had been working with the County's review consultant to make the drainage for the proposed Guilford Elementary School meet all the standards and believed that they had made significant advancements in that area. Hendricks County Surveyor informed the board that the project had gone through a major design change and that the review had not been completed. Discussion followed. Vice President Whetstone moved to approve the project pending the review consultant and Mr. Gaston's approval of their drainage design. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

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

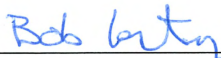
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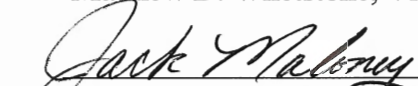
Seeing nothing further before the Board, Vice President Whetstone moved to adjourn the meeting. Member Bob Gentry seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

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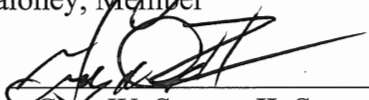
  
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Phyllis A. Palmer, President

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Matthew D. Whetstone, Vice-President

  
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Bob Gentry, Member

  
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Jack P. Maloney, Member

  
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E. Stanley Ryland, Member

ATTEST:   
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Gary W. Sowers II, Secretary