

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 21, 2006 DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

The Gibson County Drainage Board met in regular session on Tuesday, March 21, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. Members present were Don Whitehead and Linda K. Hoover. Also present were Michael Stevenson, Candace Corn and Gerald Butts.

I. MINUTES

Minutes of the last meeting were read. Linda Hoover made a motion that the minutes be approved. Don Whitehead seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

II. APPROVED REQUESTS

- a. Larry Georges has completed the maintenance on the Trippet #2. A lateral to Trippet #2 was also cleaned and this portion of the Trippet Ditch is in excellent shape. Jeff Smith has burned all the brush that was removed.

III. TABLED REQUESTS

- a. Surveyor Stevenson presented two signed copies of a Letter of Agreement with Marathon Pipeline. The wording was changed to reflect the changes the Drainage Board requested: 1) The Drainage Board would not be liable for problems incurred due to the failure of this repair and 2) a 30 day notice was required in the previous agreement and was changed to a 15 day notice unless the Board deems there is an emergency situation. In that case, we will try to give them a call. Linda Hoover made a motion to accept the Letter of Agreement. Don Whitehead seconded the motion and the Letter of Agreement was signed.
- b. Fred Bender has requested maintenance on the Toelle Ditch. Surveyor Stevenson viewed the area and provided a picture of the area that needs maintenance. Linda Hoover made a motion that this maintenance be done. Don Whitehead seconded the motion and the motion was approved. The issue of taxes will need to be addressed on this ditch as well as the description of the ditch appears to be incorrect. The Surveyor's Office will look into this and report back to the Board.
- c. David Marvel's request to do some work on the Lillard which involves a new irrigation system will remain tabled until Mr. Marvel contacts the Surveyor's Office to make arrangements to view a system already in place in another county.

IV. NEW REQUESTS

- a. Gerald Butts appeared before the Board requesting the flow line of the Gieske Lateral be straightened to the Trippet Ditch System. Surveyor Stevenson explained that applications would need to be filed with IDEM, Army Corps of Engineers and Department of Natural Resources. These permits can take up to two years to obtain if they are granted however, the Army Corps of Engineers is reluctant to allow any changes to the flow line of a ditch. Surveyor Stevenson will contact the Army Corps of Engineers and see if this request is possible being that it is a water of the United States.

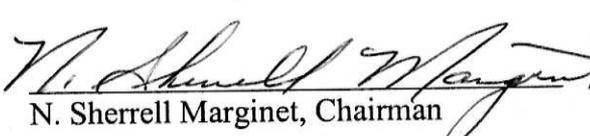
There is also an elm tree down on the Gieske Lateral that Mr. Butts is willing to remove himself. He has cleared a tremendous amount of brush and saplings from this lateral and he is willing to take over the spray contract on this lateral. Mr. Butts also requests permission to place cattle panels in the eroded areas of the ditch where there is rip-rap to keep the rock from moving into the flow line of the ditch. The Board saw no problem with this. Surveyor Stevenson requests that Mr. Butts contact the Surveyor's Office when he does this.

- b. Ed Block contacted the Surveyor's Office requesting maintenance on the Stunkel Ditch. Surveyor Stevenson will inspect the area and report back to the Drainage Board.

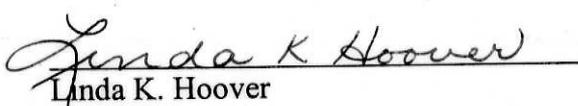
V. DISCUSSION

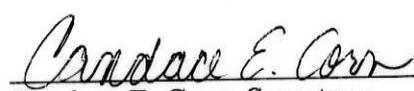
- a. The date of the hearing for the Horrall Lateral to the Hull Ditch System will need to be moved to allow for the petitioner to send notices to the landowners and place an ad in the newspaper. Linda Hoover made a motion to set the hearing for April 18, 2006 at 10:30 a.m. Don Whitehead seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

With there being no other business Don Whitehead made a motion to adjourn. Linda Hoover seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

  
N. Sherrell Marginet, Chairman

  
Don Whitehead, Vice-Chairman

  
Linda K. Hoover

  
Candace E. Corn, Secretary