

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18, 2006 DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

The Gibson County Drainage Board met in regular session on Tuesday, April 18, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. Members present were N. Sherrell Marginet, Don Whitehead and Linda K. Hoover. Also present were Michael Stevenson, Candace Corn, and Orville Byrns.

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 is performing maintenance on the Toelle Ditch on Fred Bender's property.
- b. Larry Georges has completed maintenance and the lowering and leveling of a culvert on the Alcorn Lateral to the Toops Ditch. The Highway Department paid for the leveling of the pipe.

III. TABLED REQUESTS

- a. David Marvel's request to install a new type of irrigation system on the Lillard Ditch will remain tabled until he makes contact with the Surveyor's Office and they go view a working system.
- b. Ed Block and Lyndon Meyer have requested work on the Stunkel Ditch. The Surveyor's Office has viewed the area and agrees that it needs work, but due to the project being small, the Surveyor's Office is looking for another job to be done at the same time.

IV. NEW REQUESTS

- a. Hirsch Family Farms have requested work on the Boyle Ditch. There are trees that need to be removed. The Surveyor's Office is in the process of trying to find more brush cutters.
- b. Larry Schwiersh contacted the Surveyor's Office requesting work on the Graper-Sollman Lateral to the Stunkel Ditch. The lateral has broken out on the south side on the Hardiman ground as well as several other places. The Surveyor's Office viewed the area and noted there were several severe breaks and needs repaired.
- c. Larry Stoffel contacted the Surveyor's Office requesting work on the Claymeier Main to Upper Pigeon Creek. Trees and brush will need to be removed before a trackhoe can do any maintenance.

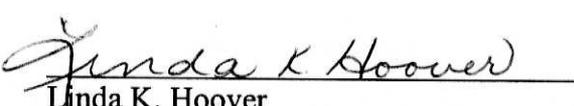
V. DISCUSSION

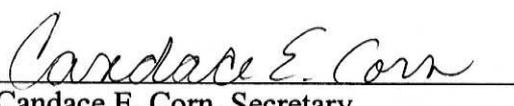
- a. Surveyor Stevenson left a message with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding Gerald Butts' request for work on the Trippet but no response has been received. This job would have to be classified as a reconstruction and all taxpayers would be responsible for the costs of the reconstruction to straighten an area of ditch that would only benefit one person. Commissioner Whitehead commented that the Army Corps of Engineers does not like for this kind of work to be done.
- b. Surveyor Stevenson and Assistant Surveyor Byrns met with Ms. Snyder who is requesting work on the Toops-Boyle Ditch in Ft. Branch. All dumping in the ditch needs to cease.
- c. David and Mark Marvel have repaired a gate on the Lillard at no cost to the County. Orville Byrns met with the Marvels at the site and they repaired the gate.
- d. The State Highway Department has been contacted regarding a rusted pipe on the Lillard Ditch in the Highway right-of-way. Jerry Earnst stated he would look at the area.
- e. Surveyor Stevenson and Assistant Surveyor Byrns spent an entire day burning brush piles that were left on the Hull-Dodson Ditch near Patoka.
- f. Steve Jackson has not yet put gates on the two pipes he installed running into the Stunkel Ditch. Attorney Stilwell has already sent a letter to him stating the Drainage Board would be installing the gates and that he will be responsible for the bill if not completed. The Surveyor's Office will contact Mr. Jackson and let him know we are ready to order the gates.

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