

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 19, 2005 DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

The Gibson County Drainage Board met in regular session on Tuesday, April 19, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. Members present were N. Sherrell Marginet and Don Whitehead. Also present were Michael Stevenson, Jerry Stilwell, Orville Byrns, Danny Leek, Fred Kuester, Manuel Ball, Frank Lindsey, Jim Neimeyer and Keith Poff.

I. MINUTES

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

II. APPROVED REQUESTS

III. TABLED REQUESTS

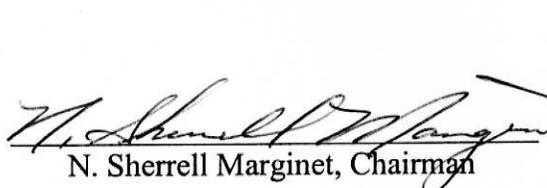
- a. Keith Poff with Sitecom appeared before the Board with a preliminary set of plans for Misty Layne Subdivision located just North of Haubstadt in Johnson Township.
- b. Danny Leek of Morley & Associates appeared before the Board seeking approval of the Partial Re-plat of Southgate Subdivision. After a meeting with Phyllis Hockett from the Army Corp. of Engineers and Gary Siebert from the Department of Natural Resources in which Ms. Hockett stated that any water that showed up blue on a topographic map is considered a water of the United States and that a portion of the Southgate area is probably wetland, Surveyor Michael Stevenson recommended that the ditch be left alone and the box culvert cleaned out. Mr. Leek stated that Vectren has been contacted to move the pipe that is blocking the flow of the box culvert. After much discussion, it was decided that the Surveyor's Office is to contact the Army Corp. of Engineers to see if removal of the trees at ground level in the flow line is permissible. The Surveyor's Office will also contact the Town of Fort Branch about removing the trees at ground level in the flow line. Don Whitehead made the motion to approve the Partial Re-plat of Southgate Subdivision with the recommendation of the Drainage Board that the trees in the waterway be cut down to the lowest level permissible subject to the approval from the county surveyor that this will not violate any regulation of the Army Corp. of Engineers with the Drainage Board reserving the question as to whether any other remedial work has to be done on that ditch depending on what happens after the obstructions are removed. Sherrell Marginet seconded the motion and the Partial Re-plat of Southgate Subdivision was approved subject to the above stated recommendation, approval and reservation.

IV. NEW REQUESTS

- a. Frank Lindsey appeared before the Board requesting to cross the Toelle Drain North of County Road 250 South with a low pressure gas pipeline. After discussion, it was decided that the Surveyor's Office would go look at before any final decision is made.
- b. Fred Kuester appeared before the Board requesting that work be done on Muddy Fork to the Stunkel to Upper Pigeon Creek located in the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Township 2 South, Range 10 West. The Surveyor's Office has looked at the problem and has found large slide-ins in this area. This area has not had any work done on it in quite some time; last time was possibly in the 1980's. The Surveyor's Office will look at again and make sure it is not under the jurisdiction of the Corp. of Engineers or any other entity.

V. DISCUSSION

- a. The beavers and dams have been removed from the Saunders Lateral to the Lillard Ditch System.
- b. Mike Wathen has started removing the beavers from the Reinhart system.
- c. Jim Neimeyer, Warrick County Surveyor, was in attendance to discuss the possible reactivation of the Joint Drainage Board. Mr. Neimeyer will look to see if the minutes of the previous meetings are on file in his office.
- d. Surveyor Stevenson and Orville Byrns will be attending an Army Corp. of Engineers seminar in Evansville on April 28th.


N. Sherrell Marginet, Chairman


Don Whitehead, Vice-Chairman

NOT IN ATTENDANCE
Linda K. Hoover

NOT IN ATTENDANCE
Candace E. Corn, Secretary