

## MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 19, 2008 DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

The Gibson County Drainage Board met in regular session on Tuesday, August 19, 2008 at 1:15 p.m. Members present were N. Sherrell Marginet, Don Whitehead and Bob Townsend. Also present were Michael Stevenson, Candace Corn, Orville Byrns and Darryl Helfert with Christopher Burke Engineering.

### I. MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the last meeting were read. Bob Townsend made a motion that the minutes be approved as amended. Don Whitehead seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved as amended.

### II. APPROVED REQUESTS

### III. TABLED REQUESTS

- a. There is no new information on the storm water control ordinance.
- b. There is no new information on the subdivision control ordinance.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Surveyor Stevenson called Bernie Spindler to set a meeting with him regarding his concern for an area on the Lillard Ditch at County Road 225 West. Mr. Spindler has not returned the Surveyor's call. It was decided that this item would be taken off the agenda.
- b. The blockage on the Toops Main just west of where Toops meets Stunkel will be taken care of this fall.

### V. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Travis Nolcox requests work be done on the Lillard. There are three pipes near the road that need replaced. Surveyor Stevenson has spoken to Jerry Heldt who stated the Highway Department could provide the pipes. Surveyor Stevenson suggests that PSI provide the flap gates and the Drainage Board provide the contractor for the dirt work.
- b. Black Beauty has requested release of bond on some of the land near Francisco. The Surveyor's Office will contact Black Beauty to see what land this request for release of bond applies to. There are still some portions of the regulated drain not in their original position. Bill McElhiney contacted the Surveyor's Office with concerns about a portion of the ditch being close to a house and expressed his desire to have it placed back to the original position. Surveyor Stevenson will contact the members of the Drainage Board should there be a need to call a special meeting for a response to this request for release of bond within the allotted time period.
- c. Surveyor Stevenson and Assistant Surveyor Byrns attended a preliminary field check meeting with representatives from United Consulting and INDOT at Bridge No. 17 over the Lillard Ditch. The bridge is going to be raised and the capacity increased. The copy of the plans received in the Surveyor's Office did not show gates on the new pipes. Surveyor Stevenson requested gates be installed on all pipes installed and any existing gates be returned to the Drainage Board. He also requested if possible, a pipe that was recently replaced be returned. A representative from United Consulting or INDOT will possibly be attending the next Drainage Board meeting.

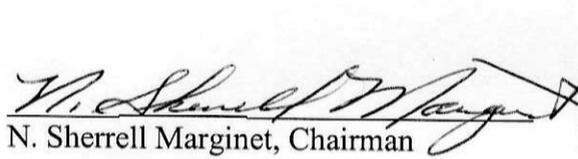
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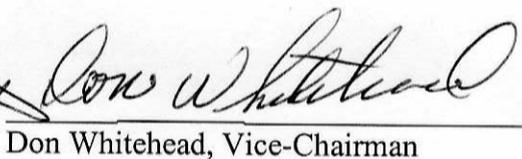
- d. Darryl Helfert with Christopher Burke Engineering was in attendance to discuss preparing an application for a grant from Wal-Mart that would fund a study to look at the Upper Pigeon Creek water problems. The cost of preparing the application would be \$3,500 to apply for an \$188,500 grant. The cost of preparing the application would be paid from the Upper Pigeon Creek ditch fund. If the grant is received the \$3,500 would be included in the \$188,500. Chairman Marginet made a motion to allow Christopher Burke Engineering to prepare the application. Bob Townsend seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

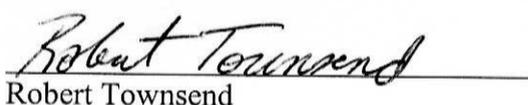
VI. DISCUSSION

- a. Grubb Excavating is performing maintenance on Steifel #33 Lateral and the Busing Lateral to the Stunkel. Property around the lateral has been mitigated into wetland for I-69 and access to these laterals will be much more difficult once the land is designated wetlands. There has been no contact with the Drainage Board from any entity regarding the mitigation of the land encompassing the regulated drain. Larry Michel had requested this maintenance be done prior to the wetland classification. After discussion, it was decided Surveyor Stevenson would draft a letter to INDOT regarding the 75 foot right-of-entry for maintenance on the regulated drain.
- b. The Drainage Board has received an invoice from Ki-Hi Farms for spraying on the Lillard Ditch. The Drainage Board does not have a contract with Ki-Hi Farms for spraying. After discussion, Commissioner Townsend made a motion that the invoice be paid. Don Whitehead seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.
- c. Surveyor Stevenson spoke with Schneider Corporation regarding the watersheds and hope to begin the reassessment process beginning with the Metz Ditch next year.

With there being no other business, Bob Townsend made a motion to adjourn. Chairman Marginet seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

  
N. Sherrell Marginet, Chairman

  
Don Whitehead, Vice-Chairman

  
Robert Townsend

  
Candace E. Corn, Secretary