

**GRANT COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
401 SOUTH ADAMS STREET
MARION, INDIANA 46953**

The Grant County Drainage Board meeting was held April 11, 2017 in the Grant County Council Chambers. Chairman Mark Bardsley called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. Other members present were Gordon Gough, Richard Cox, Kenney Cates, Pat Pinkerton and Grant County Surveyor Jim Todd.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the March 28, 2017 minutes as presented; seconded by Richard Cox. Motion carried with support 5-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Bair Excavating \$500.00 Hollis Daughtery; \$2,075.29 in the fund

Gordon Gough made a motion to approve the above claim as presented; Seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried with support 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fadley & Owl

Brad Rayl of Rayl Surveying and Engineering is present before the Board. Mr. Rayl stated that he has sent the information to the State, but has not yet heard from them. He added that Kenny Cates had talked to the State Highway Department about crossing over State Road 13. Kenny Cates stated that he talked to Jason Hanaway at the Highway Department, adding that the County has to get a permit. Kenny added that Mr. Hanaway informed him the Board will need to give them an idea on how to reroute the traffic during construction. Kenny said that they are favorable to doing an open-cut, but they want a cost for their share. Brad Rayl asked Kenny

Cates if they want this figure before we actually go to bid, wanting an exact cost. Mr. Rayl added that when he submits for the permit, they will be given complete detail for the open-cut, they should be able to look at it and estimate their own dollar cost. Kenny Cates stated that the only contractors that he feels that would be able to do this open-cut and put in the 48" tile would be either L&W Cates or Newhouse Excavating. Mr. Rayl stated that there is no way to know the exact amount until after the bidding. Mark Bardsley stated that the Board needs to choreograph the bids coming in to a public hearing. Mark asked Mr. Rayl how many weeks he feels that will take; Mr. Rayl replied that the highway permits is the first thing; this will determine what they are willing to agree to and get the plans together and finalized. The next step would be sending in for the permit. Mr. Rayl feels that it could take 60 days to get all the contract documents ready. Then there is the advertising and bid review to consider. Mr. Rayl feels that it could be July or August before construction could begin. Mr. Rayl will return to the April 25th meeting with a possible time line.

Little Creek

Jim Todd stated that there is nothing new to report and that we will do the work needed when the funds become available.

Little Crane Pond

Mark Bardsley stated that there are no updates to report.

Trenching Ordinance

Mark Bardsley stated that there are no updates to report.

Hummel Creek

Mark Bardsley stated that there are no updates to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Hollis Daughtery

Jim Todd informed the Board that Larry Maddox is present today. Jim review the water shed on a map for the Board. Jim stated that he has talked to Byron Cook regarding the Hollis Daughtery; he does not have an estimate today, but Byron felt that it would cost more money to make the improvements than the balance of the maintenance fund. There will be \$2,575.00 available this spring, after the collection. Mr. Maddox is requesting erosion control; he has brought pictures for the Board to view. He stated the surface water from the road is going into the culvert and is washing across the field. Jim Todd added that we need to add a rip rap rock chute. Mark Bardsley added that David White of the Highway Department needs to be involved as well. Richard Cox stated that he needs a grass strip there. Mr. Maddox is making an official request to have this area dredged and cleared out. Mark Bardsley stated that he will review this with David White to determine if this is a Highway Department issue.

Pollywalk

Jim Todd informed the Board that the Pollywalk (Grant County) is a joint drain that is known as the Michael Shay in Madison County. Madison County is requesting that the Drainage Board either vote to waive their rights or form a joint board. Jim Todd recommends that the Board waive their rights to Madison County since they have the majority of the acreage. Richard Cox wants to know what it is that they want to do; Jim replied that they want to clean the entire ditch, including Grant County. Mark Bardsley asked Jim if it is in the best interest of the Grant County residents to waive our rights to this work; Jim stated that he believes it is. Richard Cox pointed out that there is over 1,000 acres of Grant County acreage in this watershed, adding that Madison County does not have much more with their 1,700 acres. Jim Todd is going to talk with the new Surveyor regarding the watershed. This topic is going to be tabled until Jim Todd has more information for the Board.

Keaton, Ratliff & Knotes Drains

Barry Key is present before the Board. Mr. Key stated that David Devore was present but had to leave due to a prior commitment. Mr. Key stated there is a 24" tile that runs along State Road 13. This tile is eroded in several places. There are 5 or 6 places broken along the highway. Mr. Key stated that he has decided to table this until speaking to other land owners. Mr. Key would like to see the rate raised on the Keaton and have a maintenance placed on the Knotes Drain. Mark Bardsley informed Mr. Key that if it is done in a timely fashion this year, it will be able to collect in 2018. Mark added that it needs to be October or November at the latest. Jim Todd confirmed that there is a Vectron Gas line exposed and he is going to have Eric Bragg take a look at this. Mark Bardsley stated that he needs the pertinent information that he will then forward to the State and Vectron, letting them know work is going to be done. Mark added that there needs to be a petition for each water shed that they want a public hearing for.

Lugar Creek & Tribs

Mic Roush is present regarding the Unthank and the Bennington Tiles. Mr. Roush is requesting water way work and headwall replacement. He added that his contractor feels that they need to add some footage to the existing open ditch and to get a new head wall structure back on solid ground. His contractor anticipates about 20' of new open ditch on the Unthank and about 75' on the Bennington. Mr. Roush has made copies from Eads & Sons for the proposed work. The proposed cost for the Unthank would be \$2,212.50 and for the Bennington, it is \$2,400.00. Mr. Roush would like this to be done in late summer or early fall. Jim Todd stated that after the fall collection, there should be enough to cover this work. Jim will get back with Mr. Roush at a later date. Richard Cox made a motion to allow Mr. Roush's contractor to work (the work that was presented on the order) in our easement and repair the two (2) head walls and open ditches with the expected work to be done in the fall. Seconded by Gordon Gough; motion carried with support 5-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There is no other business.

ADJOURN:

Kenny Cates made a motion to adjourn at 11:52 a.m.; Seconded by Pat Pinkerton, motion carried with support 5-0.

The next scheduled meeting to be held is April 25, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Mary R. Weesner

MINUTES APPROVED:

MARK BARDSLEY

GORDON GOUGH

RICHARD COX

KENNY CATES

PAT PINKERTON