

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

The Grant County Drainage Board meeting was held April 24, 2018 in the Grant County Council Chambers. Mark Bardsley called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. Other members present were Gordon Gough, Kenny Cates, Pat Pinkerton, Richard Cox and Grant County Surveyor Jim Todd.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the April 10, 2018 meeting; Seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried with support 4-0, Richard abstained due to not being in attendance at the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:**

Redman Excavating \$1,000.00 Dillon Winslow Tuttle; \$12,993.39 in the red  
Redman Excavating \$4,593.13 New Prairie; \$105,946.60 in the fund  
Redman Excavating \$19,684.16 New Prairie; \$105,946.00 in the fund  
Cates Brothers \$185.00 Fadley & Owl; \$25,535.72 in the red  
L&W Cates \$561.30 Haw Run; \$34.63 in the fund  
Peerless Printing \$107.68 Office Supplies; \$292.84 in the fund  
Byron Cook \$3,167.50 Fadley & Owl; \$25,535.72 in the red  
Chronicle Tribune \$18.44 Doty Tile; \$628.95 in the fund

Richard Cox made a motion to approve the claims as presented; Seconded by Gordon Gough; motion carried with support 5-0.

**\*\*\*Kenny Cates to abstain\*\*\***

Byron Cook \$2,695.00 Pipe Creek; \$135,330.45 in the fund

Byron Cook \$1,960.00 Pipe Creek; \$135,330.45 in the fund

Byron Cook \$1,715.00 Pipe Creek; \$135,330.45 in the fund

Byron Cook \$735.00 Pipe Creek; \$135,330.45 in the fund

Byron Cook \$1,225.00 Pipe Creek; \$135,330.45 in the fund

Gordon Gough made a motion to approve the claims as presented; Seconded by Pat Pinkerton; motion carried with support 4-0; Kenny Cates abstained to due having land on Pipe Creek.

**\*\*\*Gordon Gough to abstain\*\*\***

Redman Excavating \$6,500.00 Little Creek; \$6,695.39 in the fund

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the claims as presented; Seconded by Pat Pinkerton; motion carried with support 4-0. Gordon Gough abstained to due having land on Little Creek.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Little Crane Pond –

Mark Bardsley informed the Board that we have received a resolution from our attorney regarding the vacation of a portion of Little Crane Pond. Mark recommended that the Board read over these documents, not making any decisions until our next meeting. He explained that once the Board approves this resolution, it would then be turned over to the Marion Utilities to allow them to determine if they are ready to sign off on their end of the agreement, then making it official. Pat Pinkerton agrees that the Utility Board needs to read over these documents, adding when portion of ditches are transferred, does the easement go with it; Jim Todd feels that it would. Mark Bardsley would like Mary Weesner to send a copy of the resolution to the Chuck Binkard so that the Utility Board may go over it. Pat Pinkerton asked Jim Todd for a map of the parcels being vacated. Jim said he would get that for him.

## **OLD BUSINESS:** (cont.)

### Hummel Creek –

This issue is still in the hands of the attorney and there is nothing new to report. Mark Bardsley add for the record, that if Mr. Ott would relent and allow us to use his access so that we may clear the obstruction quickly and efficiently, then can walk away from this, or the obtain is to seek relief from the court asking from an injunction to get the obstruction instead of building an entire road up our right of way only to take it out again.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### Town of Sweetser – Woods Ditch – Mitch Hansel

Mr. Mitch Hansel is before the Board with a map. He started in regards to the Winger Addition in Sweetser. Mr. Hansel went on to explain that this drains 42 acres of a field and then into a pond, it then flows out of the pond through a town drain. The outlet just isn't big enough; it is a 12" perforated tile that outlets on the south side of the railroad tracks. Jim Todd stated that there needs to be some work on Mike Mark's head wall. That tile was put in in 1947; there are 20", and 18", 14" and a 12" tile. Jim added that Max Middlesworth and Ron Cates went together where it always flooded on the south side, south of the Winger property, they intersected it and took it over east to Pipe Creek to try to relieve the south end. Mr. Hansel stated that they asked to tap into this and they were told no. Jim Todd stated that it pays \$1.50 per acre and a \$10.00 minimum; there is currently \$6,875.00 in the maintenance fund. He knows that Mike Marks wants to do some work this summer on the head wall because there is erosion there and it is also compromised. Jim said that they may even pull out the head wall and put in a rock chute there. Mr. Hansel stated that they are looking for a secondary out let for the sub-division for the field. One option that they looked at was the Woods Ditch; bringing a storm drain down to the property line and there is an air relief for an inlet. It would drain from the 12" out to the woods. Gordon Gough asked Mr. Hansel if he is wanting to dump a bunch of water into a 1947 tile; asking if the tile can even handle that much more water, adding that the tile wasn't big enough when installed for the water they had, now Sweetser is wanting to put more water in it. Richard Cox stated to Jim that the only other option would be to put in

new. Mr. Hensel stated that they are putting in a brand new road and need to get water handled so that it does not tear up the new road. Jim Todd feels that they need to have all the farmers come in and tell us how it is tiled and what their opinion on this idea is. Richard Cox asked Mr. Hensel if he had done any studies to determine how much water will be going into this tile; Mr. Hensel responded that it would be 58 acres. Jim Todd recommended that maybe they could add in another holding pond on Mr. Winger's property. By add another holding pond, this would help the water shed by sending the water in another direction. Kenny Cates stated that he feels that the Board should take this under advisement until they talk with some of the farmers to get their thoughts on it. Jim Todd agrees. Jim stated that the tile Scott Winger installed needs cleaned out. Mark Bardsley stated that he encourages Sweetser to make contact with the land owners affected and there will be a discussion on June 12, 2018 at the Drainage Board meeting.

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Fadley & Owl – Set hearing date

Jim Todd informed the Board that he is not yet ready for a hearing date. Jim added that on June 17<sup>th</sup> he has a meeting in Tipton for surveyors; he would like to hear what other surveyors think. Jim said that Max Middlesworth is willing to pay 33% of whatever the assessment is. But, Mr. Middlesworth's point is to assess Oak Hill for their hard surface run-off for a percentage higher and he pays a percentage lower. Kenny Cates added that he is tired of having to spend money on this project. He added that it will take two years to get out of the red. Kenny Cates feels that \$20.00 to \$25.00 per acres is quite a bit of money, but that is needed to get this ditch out of the red.

### **ADJOURN:**

Kenny Cates made a motion to adjourn at 11:55 a.m.; Seconded by Pat Pinkerton; motion carried with support 5-0.

The next scheduled meeting to be held will be May 29, 2018 at 11:00 am

Minutes recorded by Mary R. Weesner

**MINUTES APPROVED:**

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**MARK BARDSLEY**

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**GORDON GOUGH**

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**RICHARD COX**

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**KENNY CATES**

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**PAT PINKERTON**