

GRANT COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

401 South Adams Street
Marion, Indiana 46953

The Grant County Drainage Board meeting was held January 14, 2025, in the Grant County Council Chambers. Vice-Chairman Richard Cox called the meeting to order at 11:02 am. Other members present were Chuck Poling, Gordon Gough, Kenny Cates, Grant County Chief Deputy Surveyor Cindy Fowler and Drainage Board Secretary Mary Weesner. Pat Pinkerton was not in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

There was not a voting quorum and the minutes from December 31, 2024, meeting have been tabled until the January 28, 2025, meeting.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Cindy Fowler read the claims as follows:

Grant County Treasurer \$458.55 Loan Repayment; Maintenance Fund to GDIF

Amazon Capital Services \$35.49 Office Supplies; \$300.00 in the fund

Amazon Capital Services \$34.99 Office Supplies; \$300.00 in the fund

Jackson Dairy Farm \$500.00 Bowman Ditch; \$5,853.01 in the fund

Jackson Dairy Farm \$1,500.00 Barren Creek; \$81,457.70 in the fund

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Gordon Gough. Motion carried 4-0.

Gordon Gough to abstain

Jackson Dairy Farm \$1,000.00 Back Creek; \$111,031.62 in the fund

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the above claim as presented. Motion was seconded by Chuck Poling and carried 3-0 with Gordon Gough abstaining due to having land on the Back Creek watershed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Little Crane Pond – Approval of resolution

Mary Weesner informed the Board that we are still waiting on the attorneys.

NEW BUSINESS

Richard Cox stated that the Drainage Board needs to elect officers this year, asking for any nominations for Chairman of the Drainage Board. Gordon Gough nominated Richard Cox for Chairman. Kenny Cates nominated Chuck Poling for Chairman. Richard asked Chuck if he wants to do it; Chuck responded that he would do it. There were no other nominations. The Board voted unanimously to elect Chuck Poling for Chairman of the Drainage Board. Richard Cox stated that the Board now needs to elect a Vice-Chairman; Gordon Gough stated that he nominates Richard and Kenny Cates agreed. The vote was unanimous for Richard Cox to be Vice-Chairman. Richard Cox then stated that the Board needs to appoint a secretary to the Drainage Board. Cindy Fowler read a note from Raymond Bair "I would like Mary Weesner to stay on as Drainage Board secretary. She does a good job, and her knowledge would be difficult to replace." Gordon Gough agreed with this statement, nominating Mary Weesner. The vote was unanimous to appoint Mary Weesner as the Drainage Board secretary.

OTHER BUSINESS:

2025 Maintenance Billing – Local Drains; Board approval

The maintenance billing for Grant County drains was accepted and approved with Chuck Poling make the motion to accept as presented, seconded by Gordon Gough. Motion carried 4-0.

2025 Maintenance Billing – Joint Drains; Board approval

The maintenance billing for Joint County drains was accepted and approved with Gordon Gough making the motion to accept as presented, seconded by Chuck Poling. Motion carried 4-0.

Chief Deputy Surveyor Cindy Fowler stated that she had some notes from Raymond Bair, and they are as follows:

Middlefork is ready except for Rigdon and Madison County has not responded to our request for a list of property owners.

Roods Run yes but we need to look it over one time to make sure.

Both are billing next year.

Cart Creek is a next year thing also.

Cindy added that she did not think it was south of State Road 18.

Kenny Cates stated that it doesn't go over there at the present time, but it needs to. Cindy Fowler added that historically it did but does not at the present time. Kenny added that CIE took that all the way up the railroad tracks up to Pipe Creek at Sweetser, but they didn't put it in big enough.

ADJOURN:

Kenny Cates made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:23 am; seconded by Chuck Poling. Motion carried with support, 4-0.

The next scheduled Drainage Board meeting to be held will be January 28, 2025, at 11:00 am and will be held in the Grant County Council Chambers.

Minutes recorded by:

Mary R. Weesner

Drainage Board Secretary

The Grant County Drainage Board has approved the minutes for January 14, 2025, as presented:

Chuck Poling
Chairman

Richard Cox
Vice-Chairman

Gordon Gough

Kenny Cates

Not Present

Pat Pinkerton