

# GRANT COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

401 South Adams Street  
Marion, Indiana 46953

The Grant County Drainage Board meeting was held January 25, 2022 in the Grant County Council Chambers. Gordon Gough, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. Other members present were, Pat Pinkerton, Richard Cox, Grant County First Deputy Surveyor Raymond Bair and Drainage Board Secretary, Mary Weesner. Mark Bardsley, Chairman, and Kenny Cates are in attendance via WebEx.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mark Bardsley made a motion to approve the January 11, 2022 minutes as presented; seconded by Richard Cox; motion carried 5-0.

## APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Raymond Bair read the claims as follows:

John's Repair Service \$3,780.00 Brushy Run; \$12,379.24 in the fund  
John's Repair Service \$2,050.00 Carey Tile; \$2,037.73 in the fund

Raymond informed the Board that Carey Tile will be collecting in the spring, which will bring it out of the red.

Pat Pinkerton made a motion to accept the claims as present; seconded by Richard Cox. Motion carried 5-0.

**\*\*\*Richard Cox to abstain\*\*\***

Drewry Simmons Vornehm \$667.50 Hummel; \$191,229.28 in the red

Kenny Cates made a motion to accept the above claim as presented; seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried 4-0; Richard Cox abstained due to having land in the Hummel Creek watershed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Little Crane Pond – Approval of resolution  
There is nothing new to discuss

Hummel Creek – RE: bids

Mark Bardsley stated that we have been talking back and forth. Mark said that we will not be awarding the bid today, we have 60 days from the time the bids are opened. Mark Bardsley added that in accordance with our engineer and attorney, we will decide on a bid some time in February. At this point, we are giving the opportunity to consider the smaller bid with access and are waiting to see if we receive any response, if not, we can move forward with the higher cost access, coming up our easement. Kenny Cates asked Mark Bardsley if the Board needs to send Gary Ott a letter, Mark responded stating that is a question that we would have to take through our attorney.

Solar Ordinance

Ryan Malott, Area Plan Director is present via WebEx. Ryan stated that they will be having an informational workshop regarding solar energy on January 31, 2022 from 6-8 pm, this workshop will be held at the Marion High School auditorium, Ryan added that it will also be online via WebEx. Ryan Malott stated that they have just made revisions to draft #5, which will be up for review at the February 7<sup>th</sup> Area Plan Commission meeting. Ryan said that they are trying to get completed so that they can forward to the Commissioners. Kenny Cates added that the county tiles will have

to have at least 75' on each side. Gordon Gough stated that he is also concerned with the private tiles as well. Ryan Malott informed Gordon that at one of the Drainage Board meetings, they did add, with the Drainage Board approval is that any tiles that were hit would have to be corrected, adding that this is in the ordinance now. No matter what kind of tile that they get into, it will be repaired.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

There is no new business to discuss.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

### Doyle Ditch – Quotes

Raymond Bair explained to the Board that the Doyle Ferguson is one maintenance system but we are receiving quotes on the Doyle and the Ferguson separately, if there is not enough money in the fund to do both, then we could at least do one of them.

The quotes are as follows for each ditch:

John's Repair Service \$36,615.00

Dave's Excavating \$40,480.00

Enyeart Construction \$22,950.00

### Ferguson Ditch – Quotes

John's Repair Service \$23,210.00

Dave's Excavating \$37,076.00

Enyeart Construction \$9,979.00

There is \$41,658.78 in the Doyle Ferguson maintenance fund. Pat Pinkerton made a motion to award both projects to Enyeart Construction; seconded by Mark Bardsley. Motion carried with support, 5-0.

Maintenance Billing – Approval; local & inbound maintenance billing

Mary Weesner is asking the Board to accept the collections for the local (Grant County only) drains and the Joint (shared with another county) drains to be collected for 2022 collections that she has presented to the Board.

Richard Cox made a motion to approve the local drains maintenance billing for 2022 as presented; seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried 5-0.

Pat Pinkerton made a motion to approve the joint drains maintenance billing for 2022 as presented; seconded by Mark Bardsley. Motion carried 5-0.

Mary Weesner asked the Board about the signing of the documents. Since Jim Todd is not present, can First Deputy Surveyor sign, or do we use Jim Todd's signature stamp; Mark Bardsley stated that he would like for Mary to check with the attorney for clarification to see if we can affix his signature to this or do we wait until he is present.

Lomax Drain

Mark Bardsley informed the Board that the Lomax is coming along nicely, and he is impressed, they have worked hard and have done a good job. Kenny Cates informed Mark that it was Wendell Cates that has been doing this work on the Lomax.

**ADJOURN:**

Pat Pinkerton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m.; seconded by Richard Cox. Motion carried with support 5-0.

The next scheduled Drainage Board meeting to be held will be February 8, 2022 at 11:00 am and will be held in the Grant County Council Chambers.

Minutes recorded by:  
Mary R. Weesner  
Drainage Board Secretary

*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