

GRANT COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

401 South Adams Street
Marion, Indiana 46953

The Grant County Drainage Board meeting was held July 9, 2024, in the Grant County Council Chambers. Chairman Mark Bardsley called the meeting to order at 11:04 am. Other members present were Vice-Chairman Richard Cox, Gordon Gough, Pat Pinkerton, Kenny Cates, 1st Deputy Raymond Bair, and Drainage Board Secretary Mary Weesner; Grant County Surveyor Jim Todd was not in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 11, 2024, meeting as presented. Motion was seconded by Richard Cox, passing 5-0.

Richard Cox made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2024, meeting as presented. Motion was seconded by Kenny Cates and passed 3-0. Gordon Gough and Pat Pinkerton abstained due to not attending the meeting.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Raymon Bair read the claims as follows:

John's Repair \$15,000.00 Sweetser Imp & Enoch Lee; \$100,361.33 in the fund
Bragg Excavating \$11,291.00 Ten Mile Tile; \$12,946.03 in the fund

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the above claims as presented; seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried 5-0.

Gordon Gough to abstain

Bragg Excavating \$3,751.00 Big Deer Creek; \$29,423.47 in the fund

Richard Cox made a motion to approve the Bragg Excavating claim as presented; seconded by Kenny Cates. Motion carried 4-0 with Gordon Gough abstaining due to owning land on the Big Deer Creek watershed.

Mary Weesner explained that she has given the Board a spread sheet with the breakdown of the expenses being paid from the ARP Funds at this time, along with the remaining balance. (A copy of the spreadsheet is attached to these minutes in the Drainage Board office)

Mark Bardsley stated that we will need a written agreement from Right of Way Management for the quoted prices to be allocated from the ARP Funds that are available. Raymond Bair told Mark that he has an e-mail from them that says it; Mark Bardsley asked that it gets printed out so that Mary Weesner can present it to our attorney to see if it is legal.

Chairman Mark Bardsley presented the claims in the following groups:

ARP Funds to be voted on separately as follows:

- Right of Way Management \$2,147.05 Lugar Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$6,420.00 Lugar Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$3,423.16 Lugar Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$1,474.76 Lugar Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$137.50 Lugar Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$1,887.12 Hollis Daughtery; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$376.64 Landess Tinkle; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$891.00 Brushy Run; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$1,383.36 Dillon Winslow Tuttle; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$2,223.98 Sweetser Improv & Enoch Lee; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$7,180.14 Sims & Franklin; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$2,624.37 Maddox Drain; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$757.86 Matthews Ditch; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$848.60 Massey Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$4,460.82 Doyle Ferguson; ARP Funds

Gordon Gough made a motion to approve the above listed claims to be paid from the ARP Funds; seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Gordon Gough to abstain

- Right of Way Management \$1,854.75 Big Deer Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$1,017.13 Big Deer Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$6,002.72 Grassy Fork; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$4,510.60 Little Deer Creek; ARP Funds
- Right of Way Management \$4,361.52 Little Creek; ARP Funds

Richard Cox made a motion to approve the above listed claims to be paid from the ARP Funds; seconded by Kenny Cates. Motion carried 4-0 with Gordon Gough abstaining due to having land in the Big Deer Creek, Grassy Fork, Little Deer Creek, and Little Creek.

Kenny Cates to abstain

Right of Way Management \$1,030.37 Harper Legal; ARP Funds

Right of Way Management \$2,568.99 Taylor Creek; ARP Funds

Right of Way Management \$1,152.30 Pipe Creek; ARP Funds

Right of Way Management \$857.56 Leisure Drain; ARP Funds

Pat Pinkerton made a motion to approve the above listed claims to be paid from the ARP Funds; seconded by Richard Cox. Raymond Bair reminded the Board that last year Right of Way did not spray around the sewer plant or on Jim Todd's property, so they sprayed it this year and did not charge us. Motion carried 4-0 with Kenny Cates abstaining due to having land in the Harper Legal Drain, Taylor Creek, Pipe Creek, and the Leisure Drain.

Mark Bardley added that we still have over \$140,000.00 that we can use on projects this year or allocate for next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Little Crane Pond – Approval of resolution

Mark Bardsley asked Mary Weesner if we have received the updated Resolution; she stated that she has. Mark asked that Mary send the updated Resolution to Pat Pinkerton.

Simmons Drain – Maintenance request–Phil Chastain; \$115,547.75 in the fund

Raymond Bair has a document that Joe Seward presented to the landowners to install the last of the some 600' of 30" tile to get south of Wheeling Pike. He added that Simmons Ditch is mostly north of SR 26, just east of I69. They now have the money to do something and finally had Joe Seward committed to getting across Wheeling Pike this year. The Highway Department is going to work on Wheeling next year and they want to get it in before they work on Wheeling. Joe's price is \$50,000.00 to do this. Andrew Chastain added that they might as well run as much tile as they can while they are there because we know the price of tile is going to keep going up. Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the repairs and the ability to spend up to \$110,000.00 on the Simmons Drain; seconded by Richard Cox. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Moriarity & McMahon Ditch

Raymond Bair wanted to inform the Board that Mic Roush is pursuing getting an estimate and will bring it to the next Drainage Board meeting to present so that they can start spending money on it. He added that they have about \$25,000.00 in the fund. The rate was changed, and it was put on four year and should have been put on eight years and it is shut off, so they want to spend it.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There is no Other Business to discuss

ADJOURN:

Richard Cox made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:23 am; seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried with support, 5-0.

The next scheduled Drainage Board meeting to be held will be July 30, 2024, 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 July 9, 2024, as presented:

Mark Bardsley

Richard Cox

Gordon Gough

Kenny Cates

Pat Pinkerton