

GRANT COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

401 South Adams Street
Marion, Indiana 46953

The Grant County Drainage Board meeting was held July 11, 2023 in the Grant County Council Chambers. Chairman Mark Bardsley called the meeting to order at 11:03 am. Other members present were Vice-Chairman Gordon Gough, Kenny Cates, Pat Pinkerton, Grant County Surveyor Jim Todd, and Drainage Board secretary Mary Weesner. Richard Cox was not in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the June 27, 2023 minutes as presented. Seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Grant County Treasurer \$35,296.08; Loan Repayment
Grant County Treasurer \$2.46 Buck Run; Zero out inactive drain
Irving Materials \$636.95 Lugar Creek; \$191,541.54 in the fund
Chronicle Tribune \$27.00 Nesbit Tile; \$6,161.04 in the fund
Butch Embry \$4,250.00 Lugar Creek; \$191,541.54 in the fund

Pat Pinkerton made a motion to approve the above claims as presented. Seconded by Gordon Gough, motion carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Little Crane Pond

There is nothing new to discuss

NEW BUSINESS:

Cassius Smith - Jeff Gall-maintenance request; \$1,838.28 in the fund

Jim Todd stated that there is \$1,838.28 in the fund and no money has been spent out of this fund for a while, adding that Mr. Gall basically takes care of the open ditch and keeps it running for

everybody. Jim added that Mr. Gall has brought in an estimate from B.E. Powell to dip and pull slopes where needed at \$1.44 per foot for a total of \$5,760.00 and to grade the spoil is 60¢ per foot, totaling \$8,160.00. Jim Todd said that Mr. Gall is willing to spend out of pocket money to do this, but he is just asking for \$1,838.28 to go towards this invoice from B.E. Powell and he will pay the remaining balance. Jim added that Mr. Gall is present today to answer any questions that the Board may have.

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve this proposal if Mr. Gall is paying the difference. Seconded by Gordon Gough; motion carried 4-0.

Sweetser Improvement – Bid Letting; \$97,079.10 in the fund

Jim said that he had sent out 12 invitations and received only 2 quotes.

Jim Todd read the quotes as follows:

John's Repair Service \$64,650.00

Brush, dip, and clean culverts
Tordon

Enyeart Construction \$67,165.00

Brush, dig and level
Seed bare banks

*This does not include Tordon

Jim Todd recommends the Board choose Andy Rickner of John's Repair Service adding that we have always gotten good work from him.

Kenny Cates made a motion to approve the quote from John's Repair Service in the amount of \$64,650.00; seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried, with support, 4-0. Jim stated that he has talked to David White and that both of the pipes are in need of replacement.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Revision of Interest

Mary Weesner explained to the Board that due to an error that occurred in the Treasurer's office, all of the interest for the current year had to be deleted, refigured, and then reentered. Mary has given each Board member the corrected copy for each month.

South Prong of Dryfork

Mark Bardsley read the email from Kyle Persinger (attached to the minutes in the Drainage Board office). His initial response is that the Drainage Board must take the appropriate action to incorporate the drain into the maintenance system before the funds could be used. As you know the County Surveyor is in charge of all maintenance of regulated drains as well as proposed regulated drains and must prepare a maintenance report to the Drainage Board and if approved the Surveyor must then supervise all maintenance work. Thus, such an expense cannot be reimbursed.

ADJOURN:

Kenny Cates made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:24 am; seconded by Pat Pinkerton. Motion carried 4-0.

The next scheduled Drainage Board meeting to be held will be July 25, 2023 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 11, 2023 as presented:

Mark Bardsley

Gordon Gough

*****Absent*****

Richard Cox

Kenny Cates

Pat Pinkerton