

ALLEN COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

MINUTES

Regular Meeting and/or Public Hearing was held at 9:30 am on: **2/28/2019**

CitizensSquare-Suite 035, 200 E. Berry Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46802-2737

Present: DB: Therese Brown, Nelson Peters, Richard Beck, DB Atty/Charity Murphy, ACSO: Larry Weber, Mike Fruchey, Joe Magsam, Cheryl Zurbrugg. See sign-in sheet for others present. MJ Klinker, Mark Rekeweg, and Jeff Sorg were ABSENT.

Call to Order: by Therese Brown in the absence of MJ Klinker

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from 2/14/19 were approved with a motion from Nelson Peters and seconded by Rich Beck.

Approval of Petitions:

DOC # 19-027 ENCROACHMENT

Project: Private crossing/Ward Rd Subd Sec Township: MAUMEE Twp Sec: 7
Drain Name: Fuelling Designer:
Drain #: 10-05-100 Petitioner: Joseph J. Schwartz
Action: Petition for Encroachment within the drainage easement of the Fuelling Drain for private crossing to access farm property.

Motion: **APPROVED**

Minutes of Mtg: *Surveyor recommended approval. Nelson Peters motioned to approve Doc #19-027, encroachment on Fuelling Drain for a private crossing on Ward Road, seconded by Rich Beck, motion carried.*

DOC # 19-008 Notification to the Board

Project: Drain reports for January 2019 Subd Sec Township: Twp Sec:
Drain Name: Designer:
Drain #: Petitioner: ACSO
Action: Drain Payment Reports for January 2019 for drain maintenance/reconstruction work already paid. This is a status report for the Board, no need for a motion.

Motion: **NOTED**

Minutes of Mtg: *The monthly Drain Report was received and noted by the Board.*

DOC # OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSS DATE

Project: DeKalb/AC Joint Board Subd Sec Township: Twp Sec:
Drain Name: Designer:
Drain #: Petitioner: ACSO
Action: Discuss setting up Joint Board meeting with DeKalb for May or June for continued discussion on costs for Hamm Joint, WO Lake, and Ringwalt Drains. This would be for Therese Brown and Mark Rekeweg.

Motion: **DISCUSSION**

Minutes of Mtg: *Therese Brown said to contact Rhonda, her secretary to schedule a date. Mark Rekeweg was not present to ask.*

DOC # 18-058 OTHER BUSINESS/UPDATE

Project: Noyer Tile/New PM/UPDATE Subd Sec Township: ABOITE Twp Sec: 5
Drain Name: Noyer Tile Designer:
Drain #: 11-05-125 Petitioner: ACSO
Action: Update for the Noyer Tile Drain from the public hearing on 2/14/19, the Board's ruling was deferred until next meeting on 3/14/19. A meeting was held with property owners on 2/22/19 as per the Board's suggestion and Jay Freimuth will give a brief summary of the results from that meeting.

Motion: **DISCUSSION**

Minutes of Mtg: *Jay gave an update on the Noyer Tile public hearing. Jay said under the Board's recommendation we held a meeting on 2/22/19 with Bruce Schoenemann, Kevin Bollinger, Edna & Edgar Schaefer, Michael Schaefer, Matt Jones, and Andrea Ratajczak along with ACSO staff and determined they would like to do the work on the south side of Bass Road to get the water moving and fix the holes temporarily as was the original Phase I plan, but put on hold Phase II of replacing tile on north side of Bass Road just to see first the functionality of this tile. Also discussed was reducing the assessment to \$20/ac from the proposed \$35/ac. Therese Brown questioned the wetlands on one of the parcels and Jay explained how it has grown over the years due to the tile not functioning. Jay said all parties are understanding that work needs to be done on south side of Bass Road with the caveat that we want to revisit this drain in 4 years with another hearing to determine whether or not the assessments are adequate enough. Therese said thank you for the update and we will be talking about this and making a ruling on 3/14/19.*

DOC # 19-035 OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSION

Project: Hoffman Flatrock Subd Sec Township: JACKSON Twp Sec: 26

Drain/Discussion

Drain Name: Hoffman Flatrock

Designer:

Drain #: 15-26-500

Petitioner: Brent Hoffman

Action: Brent Hoffman/Contractor requested discussion on the Hoffman Flatrock Drain at State Line Road.

Motion: **DISCUSSION**

Minutes of Mtg: *Brent Hoffman/Hoffman Bulldozing came forward and spoke about more water on the Hoffman Flatrock Drain at State Line Road and the long time problem there. Brent would like to get dialogue on that and see if or what we can do to drain the Flatrock at State Line and Paulding Road. Brent informed the Board that there is 10-12' of standing water at all times there. Larry Weber talked about needing cooperation from Ohio so work can be done on Ohio side. Larry said in past years the issue was Paulding Ohio didn't want the work done in Indiana because they have communities in Ohio that are downstream and are flooding and don't want increased drainage so they purposefully do not clean the drain close to Indiana line, about a 3-5 mile buffer to hold up the water in Indiana so they don't flood in Paulding. Brent asked why can't we create a detention pond at State Line and set 2 pumps and make that a lift station with a metered release? Larry said you would have to take that volume of area that is flooding and acquire other ground and build a detention basin to store in. You would need someone to donate or acquire land and someone to build the detention basin and mitigate existing wetlands. Therese recommended talking with someone in Ohio and asking what can we do that falls within Indiana regulations? Brent said there are good farmers out there who are willing to volunteer, as well as himself to help. Larry said he could talk with Mr. Sorg about creating a letter to the Paulding Engineer asking what there plan is for maintenance.*

Meeting was adjourned at 10:08 am

ALLEN COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD:



MJ Klinker, Chairperson

3/28/2019

F. Nelson Peters, Board Member



Therese Brown, Vice Chairperson



Mark Rekeweg, Board Member



Richard E. Beck, Jr., Secretary

(Absent)

Jeff W. Sorg, Allen County Surveyor



Date Signed

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