

HUNTINGTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

MEETING DATE: November 7, 2024 TIME: 8:30 A.M. TO: 9:50 A.M. PLACE: D.A.R. ROOM 206

DRAINAGE BOARD MEMBERS: – PRESENT (P) ABSENT (A)
TERRY KEIFFER (P) MATT GILBERT (P) TOM WALL (A) JIM MICHEL (P) BOB GRESSLEY (P)

SURVEYOR STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE
JERRY MEEHAN JR/ SURVEYOR
STACY WILEY/CHIEF DEPUTY

The meeting was called to order by Matt Gilbert.

Jerry Meehan announced the members of the Board.

Jerry Meehan announced Surveyor staff.

MINTUES:

Bob Gressley made a motion to approve the 10/17/24 minutes. Jim Michel seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Terry Keiffer entered the meeting at 8:33

LANDOWNER CONCERNS:

Drain Name: Stewart-Hoover-Thrift-Ellis Drain Landowner: Joe Landrum 1412 W 900 S
Warren, IN 46792

Joe Landrum is requesting permission to work in the Right-of-Way to install sub-main on both the North and South sides of the county tile. Terry Keiffer made a motion to allow, under the supervision of the Surveyor's Office. Matt Gilbert seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0

Drain Name: W. C. McPherron Drain Landowner: JJG Real Estate Holdings 7311 Venture Lane
Fort Wayne, IN 46818

MLS Engineering on behalf of JJG Real Estate Holdings, is requesting permission to work in the Right-of-Way to install a 12" outlet, with concrete headwall. Terry Keiffer made a motion to allow, under the supervision of the Surveyor's Office. Jim Michel seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0

Drain Name: Lewis Minnear Drain Landowner: David Faber 792 4th Street NW
Sioux Center, IA 51250

The tenant farmer, Pat Kober, is requesting to work in the Right-of-Way to locate the tile. This will require him to cross land owned by ATML Farms, LLC 8900 E 400 N Pierceton, IN 46562. Terry Keiffer made a motion to allow, with written permission from ATML Farms, LLC and under supervision of the Surveyor's Office. Matt Gilbert seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Drain Name: Lawrence-Lewis-McClarnon Drain Landowner: Pinkerton Farms 8696 S 200 W
Huntington, IN 46750

Dan Pinkerton in requesting permission to work in the Right-of-Way, to repair two low water crossings at his expense. Terry Keiffer made a motion to allow, under supervision of the Surveyor's Office. Bob Gressley seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

CLAIMS:

Board Payroll	\$ 650.00
JB Tree Service – W. C. McPherron Drain	\$ 1,600.00
Kindler Landscaping – Samuel Gesaman Drain	\$ 1,236.08
Tri-County Excavating – Logan-Charles Drain	\$ 6,514.44
Patriot Excavating – W.G. Griffith Drain	\$ 1,242.00
Amor Excavating – W. C. McPherron Drain	\$10,332.50
Patriot Excavating – Eliza Beghtel Drain	\$ 1,100.00

Jim Michel made a motion to pay the claims. Bob Gressley seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Jerry Meehan informed the Board that Wells County Surveyor, Jarrod Hahn, would like to hold a public hearing for the joint William Day Drain in January of 2025. He asked for two members of the Huntington County Drainage Board to attend on behalf of Huntington County. Bob Gressley and Matt Gilbert both agreed to sit on the joint Board.

DISCUSSION OF OLD BUSINESS:

Drain Name: Beaty-Morrison

Jerry Meehan presented photos of completed rock chutes.

Drain Name: W. C. McPherron

Jerry Meehan presented photos of the completed bottom dipping and armoring project.

Drain Name: Elias Marsh

Jerry Meehan presented photos of the completed project.

Drain Name: William Vanarsdalen

Jerry Meehan presented photos of completed rock chutes.

Drain Name: Stoffel-Morrow-Miller

Jerry Meehan presented photos of ongoing project.

Terry Keiffer stepped off the Board

Drain Name: Logan-Charles

Landowner: Terry Keiffer 6585 S 800 W
Andrews, IN 46702

Jerry Meehan presented photos of completed rock chutes and armoring project.

Terry Keiffer is requesting permission to work in the Right-of-Way to pull banks and repair a private outlet at his expense. Matt Gilbert made a motion to allow, under the supervision of the Surveyor's Office. Bob Gressley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Terry Keiffer stepped back onto the Board.

DISCUSSION OF NEW BUSINESS:

Drain Name: Joseph Dehaven

Landowner: Cheryl Beougher 906 Fennel Court
Cicero, IN 46034

An erosion issue was reported to the Surveyors Office, upon investigating the area it was determined to be a private outlet. The consensus of the Board is to contact the tenant farmer to address the issue.

Drain Name: Pond Creek

Jerry Meehan presented photos of the completed project.

Drain Name: Weber-Williams-Kauff

Landowner: IMI Materials P.O. Box 297
Wabash, IN 46992

Jerry Meehan presented photos of new beaver dams East of Lake Clare. He informed the Board that the trapper he spoke to last week is not licensed and asked the Board for further suggestions. Beaver trapping season runs November 15, 2024 – March 15, 2025.

DISCUSSION OF DRAINAGE BOARD MEMBER'S CONCERNS:

Terry Keiffer informed the Board that Indiana Farm Bureau Drainage Seminar has been rescheduled to 9:00 a.m. on December 11, 2024 at Heritage Hall.

Terry Keiffer also inquired about the January meeting.

Jim Michel informed the Board he will be out of town and unable to attend the next meeting on November 21, 2024

Bob Gressley inquired about the completion of Christine Heffelfinger's driveway.

Bob Gressley informed the Board the crops are off the Cobbs property.

FIELD TRIP:

No field trip.

The meeting concluded at this time.

Matt Gilbert

Terry Keiffer

Tom Wall

Jim Michel

Bob Gressley