

**MINUTES  
DRAINAGE DISTRICT 55 DIVISION 3 LATERAL 9  
LANDOWNER MEETING  
FEBRUARY 22, 2017  
12:15 P.M.**

Hardin County Board of Supervisor Chairman, Lance Granzow, opened the meeting. Also present were Supervisors, Renee McClellan and BJ Hoffman; Landowners, Karen Kielsmeier, Dennis Kielsmeier, Scott Thompson, Jim Spaid, Arlan Eller, Lonnie Hoelscher and Tara Tjelmeland; Lee Gallentine and James Sweeney with Ryken Engineering; Drainage Clerk, Tina Schlemme.

McClellan moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

After introductions, the meeting was turning over to Scott Thompson who explained his request. He apologized that he did not have any documents prepared for the meeting. He explained that he would like to build a pond in the drainage ditch on his property. He has had it surveyed at his expense. He believes the maximum water level would be 6" below the spillway with an emergency overflow. He would like the pond to be about  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre of open waterway. On the southeast corner it would have a 3:1 slope but the rest should be a 2:1 slope. His primary three goals are: 1. Slow the water coming from the outlet and help control the erosion that is currently happening. 2. Increase his property value and 3. Recreational use for himself and his neighbors. He explained that he would like to go as deep as possible and will fill it with fish. He would have a "plunge pool" on the east side of the culvert that would be a silt cleanout.

There was much discussion on the liability going forward. Landowners agreed that if Thompson pays for it, they would be okay with it, but would like to see blueprints by a professional engineer and a detailed agreement entered into. It was also discussed that any work around the culvert would need to be approved by the County Engineer.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to approve for Scott Thompson to develop a site plan and design for further review by engineers (Ryken Engineering and Hardin County Engineer) and to consult with the drainage district attorney to draft a legal agreement with all expenses being paid by Scott Thompson. All ayes. Motion carried.

Hoffman moved, McClellan seconded to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.