

REGULAR DRAINAGE MEETING

9/27/2019 - Minutes

1. Open Meeting

Hardin County Board of Supervisors Chairperson, Renee McClellan, opened the meeting. Also present was Supervisor, BJ Hoffman; Landowner Dennis Prochaska; Steve McDowell with McDowell & Sons; Lee Gallentine with Clapsaddle-Garber Associates (CGA); Drainage Clerk, Becca Junker. Lance Granzow was present via phone.

2. Approve Agenda

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

3. Approve Minutes

Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2019 regular drainage meeting, September 4, 2019 regular drainage meeting, September 11 regular drainage meeting, September 18, 2019 regular drainage meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

4. DD 9 - Discuss, With Possible Action, District Tile In Railroad Right Of Way

Junker explained that George loger came in on Monday and was asking if the district tile in the North that is in the railroad right of way could be moved out of the right of way. Gallentine explained it looked like a rough guess of 600 ft in the railroad right of way and all in Roberts ground. Granzow asked if there was a purpose to moving the tile, if it was plugged or if something was wrong with the tile. Junker explained there was nothing reported wrong with the tile. Granzow explained that until there becomes an issue, there is no reason to move this tile. He continued that although loger is trying to be proactive, there is no reason to add this cost at this time. No motion.

5. DD 167 - Discuss, With Possible Action, Repair Summary For Work Order 260

Gallentine explained that after CGA investigated they found several sinkhole blow outs, a part of the main that had been crushed by machinery, and an approximately 100-foot section of tile that was missing with significant erosion taking place in the assumed tile route at the Main tile outlet. Also found large mulberry trees in close proximity to some of the blowouts/sinkholes on the Main tile.

The recommendation is to replace the missing 100-feet of Main tile including the outlet and reinstall the eroded soil along said approximate 100-foot stretch. Remove all trees and brush within 50-feet of the main tile and excavate and repair the Main tile blowouts/sinkholes as necessary. The estimated cost of that is \$15,000 - \$20,000 if there is not a headwall put in at the outlet. If a headwall is deemed necessary, it is estimated that \$20,000 - \$25,000 will be added to the construction cost. He did explain that the missing 100-feet is flowing but if nothing is done the field will continue to have erosion.

Granzow moved, Hoffman seconded to upscale to a larger tile for the 100-feet with no headwall. Hoffman said that CGA will take this to the lottery system and suggested splitting between a contractor for the tile and Adam Seward to remove the trees. All ayes. Motion approved.

6. Discuss, With Possible Action, IRUA

Junker explained that the email she received back from Davis Brown Law Firm suggested the Trustees either send another letter demanding that the IRUA ceases violating the permits, similar to what was done in 2018, or file a lawsuit.

Gallentine explained that he had read in the paper that IRUA was applying for a grant to expand their system between Buckeye and Hamilton County. He said he would forward the notice to the Trustees. Junker clarified that currently, the funds for this matter are coming out of the Trustee's account and not being billed to any drainage districts. McClellan said that this is the kind of charge that will need to be sent

out to all districts in the future.

Granzow suggested sending a reminder that this issue has not been settled and that there needs to be a meeting with both the Trustees, IRUA and the attorneys. He said that IRUA had agreed in contract to the original permit and that the going backwards needs to get resolved so that in the future, everyone can work together.

Granzow moved, Hoffman seconded to have Davis Brown Law Firm send a letter to IRUA to remind them that this issue has not been settled. The letter needs to request a date for a meeting for all parties involved to sit down and come to a conclusion. All ayes. Motion carried.

7. Discuss, With Possible Action, Open Ditch Bid Letting

Junker explained she has had multiple people come in and ask what needs to be included in the bid they need to be submitting. She explained that currently there is a three year contract that is going to be up and open for bid in December. Hoffman suggested bringing the bid letting to the next meeting to verify and possibly act on and get ready for publication.

8. Other Business

DD 109: Denny Prochaska explained the work that was done in his field. He further explained that he thought the tile his tenant was working on was private tile, not district. After the Trustees heard what was done, they explained that in the future Prochaska needs to check with the drainage clerk to make sure that the tile he is working on within a drainage district is not district tile. Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded to reimburse and pay Denny a total amount \$2953.11. He is willing to do this as long as there is follow through to get the trees taken care of. All ayes. Motion carried.

Granzow then expressed concern about the willow trees that are near the tile. Hoffman moved, Granzow seconded to instruct CGA to investigate what trees and brush needs to be removed and contact Adam Seward with a new work order. All ayes. Motion carried.

9. Adjourn Meeting

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