

REGULAR DRAINAGE MEETING

05/13/2024 Minutes

1. Open Meeting
Hardin County Board Trustees present were Lance Granzow, Renee McClellan, and BJ Hoffman. Also present, Ann Larson and Lee Gallentine.
2. Approve Agenda
Motion by Hoffman to approve the agenda with the amendment of moving DD 118-232 to the top of the agenda. Seconded by McClellan. All Ayes. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Minutes – 05/06/2024
Motion by McClellan to approve the minutes. Seconded by Hoffman. All Ayes. Motion carried.
4. Approve Claims for Payment-None
5. Discuss With Possible Action
DD 14 Main Summary Report
Gallentine stated that this project was done over the winter. Gallentine stated that they excavated at protruding private tile connection and found 15" single wall HOPE main tile with intruding 10" single wall HOPE private tile. Gallentine stated that they Removed 15" single wall HOPE main tile to 14" VCP tile and 14" concrete tile. Repaired with 15" x 15" x 15" HOPE dual wall tee, 15" to 12" HOPE reducer, factory HDPE couplers, and concrete collars at connections with rock bedding and backfill. No action needed at this time.

DD 119 Main Summary Report
Gallentine stated that this is the Utility summary for fixing the tile that Heart of Iowa ran fiberoptics through. Gallentine stated that Williams Exc. Went out and repaired main tile with 24" dual wall tile with concrete collar connections, pulled fiberoptic casing above main tile repair with approximately 7" clearance. Gallentine stated that they do not meet the clearance requirements, but there is no way to fix it without reinstalling the fiberoptic, so he wanted to know how the trustees wanted to handle this.
Motion made by Hoffman to wave the clearance with the note that if it becomes an issue in the future that Heart of Iowa will be responsible for any damages or claims. Seconded by McClellan. All Ayes. Motion carried.
Gallentine stated that there was another issue that Williams Exc. Ran into. Gallentine stated that Williams started televising at the outlet and could only get about 100ft. Gallentine stated that Williams stated that the outlet is junk, and the tile is collapsing. Gallentine also stated that William stated that there are multiple sink holes along the tile in the pasture. Gallentine stated that Williams talked to the landowner and the landowner stated that he had to pull his cows out of that area all the time. Gallentine stated that they had not gone out to even look at what Williams informed him about.
Motion made by Hoffman to send CGA out to investigate the issue and report back. Seconded by McClellan. Discussion: Granzow asked Gallentine who the landowner was. Gallentine stated

that he would have to find out from Williams. Gallentine emailed Larson after the meeting a screen shot of the message from Williams stating that Chad Heetland lives the closest to the area, but he thought the cattle possibly belonged to Bill Ibeling. All Ayes. Motion carried.

DD Big 4 Main Summary Report

Gallentine stated that this is the one where Strutzenberg removed the beaver dams out of the open ditch. Gallentine stated that the beavers and the dams are gone in the main, but there is a creek that naturally feeds in to the main that has beaver in it. Gallentine stated that the creek is not a district facility. Gallentine stated that he doesn't think it will be long before the beaver ends up back into the open ditch. Gallentine recommends trapping those beavers before they get back in the open ditch. Granzow stated that we do not have authority to trap in the creek. Gallentine stated that the other issue was that when the dams were removed the sticks were left on site, so if the landowner has an issue with them, they will have to be removed. Gallentine stated that they are just small sticks.

Motion made by Hoffman to contact landowner and get permission to trap the beaver in the creek and send someone out. Seconded by McClellan. All Nays. Motion failed.

DD Big 4 Lat 3 Summary Report

Gallentine stated that this is the other dam that was removed by Strutzenberg. Gallentine stated that he left the sticks on site. Gallentine stated it still looked like there was current activity when they pulled the dam. Gallentine stated that he would suggest sending someone out to trap again.

DD 26 and DD 48 Beaver Trapping Nuisance Permit

Gallentine stated that someone needs to Contact Randy Madden and explain to him why we have not removed the damns yet. Larson stated that she would contact Madden.

DD 118-232 Communications with Hamilton County

Gallentine stated that this is the same project that Kuechenberg had gotten the approval from Hamilton County on back in April of 2022 to assign it to your lottery system and send them the bill when it was done. Gallentine stated that the project was too large for a small contractor, so they bundled multiple repairs together and took bids from larger contractors to complete the projects. Gallentine stated that this is a very large tile since it is the outlet for the whole district. Gallentine stated that McDowells has completed the work.

Motion made by Hoffman to direct Gallentine to put a synopsis together with the history of the scope of work and the financials. Seconded by McClellan. Discussion: Gallentine stated that they could probably draft that into the final report. All Ayes. Motion carried.

6. New Work Order Requests-None

7. Other Business-

Motion by Hoffman to cancel next week's drainage meeting. Seconded by McClellan. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8. Adjourn Meeting

Motion by McClellan to adjourn. Seconded by Hoffman. All Ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m.