

REGULAR DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING:

March 18, 2019

President, William Whitehead, called the meeting to order. Members present at the meeting were the following:

William Whitehead, President
Clarence Hensley, Vice President
Shannon Henry, Member
Dick McIntire, Member
John Landers, Member
Tom Borchers, Surveyor
Stan Willis, Inspector/Chief Deputy
Steve Murphy for Brandon Murphy, Attorney
Cindy Harty, Recording Secretary

President William Whitehead opened the meeting by welcoming the audience and inviting them to participate in the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Whitehead entertained a motion for the approval of the February 19, 2019 Drainage Board Minutes.

Mr. Henry moved for approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Landers. **Motion passed 5-0.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Whitehead addressed Mr. Borchers and asked if he had any old business to present to the Board today.

Mr. Borchers stated there is no old business to discuss this date.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dora Wilhelm Ditch

Mr. Borchers stated the first business he wanted to address was Indiana and Michigan Power's request. Mr. Borchers informed the Board that Indiana and Michigan would have a couple of rebuilds of power lines, so they would be encroaching on the county's right-of-way and they need permission from the Board to enter the county's right-of-way. Furthermore, Mr. Borchers stated that Indiana and Michigan would place one of their posts on the county's right-of-way within the 75-feet. He stated that it would be placed at the start of an open ditch, and it is more of a grassy swale than it is a ditch or a tile. Mr. Borchers stated his recommendation in those two areas would be to grant Indiana and Michigan's request to continue their work.

Mr. Whitehead asked if there were any comments or questions.

Mr. Landers asked if there would be any problems with flow of the ditch.

Mr. Borchers stated no because it is the very start of the ditch and more or less, it is just a grassy swale than it is an open ditch. Mr. Borchers stated, "I do not see any problems with it."

Mr. Whitehead asked if Mr. Borchers would be able to inspect it before the work is complete.

Mr. Borchers stated that they would keep in contact with him by e-mail.

Mr. Whitehead asked if there were any other questions or discussion on the matter.

Mr. Henry moved to approve the AEP request for the two permits. Mr. Landers seconded.
Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Borchers stated that he has one more update on a project they are working on. Mr. Borchers stated that Michael Franklin has been in touch with the office about his flooding driveway, which has been bad for years. Mr. Borchers stated that Mr. Franklin lives off Raider Road and the county's tile runs underneath his driveway. Mr. Borchers informed the Board that the county ditch is in working order and flowing well, but Stan and he have been working with Angie in the Engineer's Office/the County Highway Department to come up with some kind of resolution to help Mr. Franklin's issue with the water. Mr. Borchers stated that Mr. Franklin wanted to come to the meeting today, but stated that Mr. Franklin fell and broke his hip, so he was not able to attend today. Mr. Borchers stated he wanted to make the Board aware of this issue and make sure it was in the minutes. Mr. Borchers assured the Board that they are working with the county highway to come to some sort of compromise to make Mr. Franklin's situation better.

MAINTENANCE CLAIMS:

Mr. Whitehead entertained a motion for the approval of the maintenance claims as presented.

Mr. Henry moved to approve the claims as submitted. Mr. Landers seconded. **Motion passed 5-0.**

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

William Whitehead, President

Clarence Hensley, Vice President

Shannon Henry, Member

Dick McIntire, Member

John Landers, Member

Cindy Harty, Recording Secretary