

MORGAN COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

November 1, 2021

8:30 A.M.

Drainage Board members present were: Kenny Hale, Don Adams, and Bryan Collier. Also present were Terry Brock (Surveyor), Bill Dials (Stormwater Coordinator), Jim Wisco (County Attorney) and Kerstin Woodard (Recording Secretary).

Pledge

Minutes

Mr. Collier made a motion to approve the 09/03/2021 minutes, Mr. Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

New Business

Flagstaff Regulated Drain has been de-brushed and added to our herbicide program as part of the maintenance this year. South of Hancel Parkway there is a detention area that had failures to it before we took the area in as a regulated drain. The dam and the release portion are not retaining water. Mr. Dials said that we would need to take a look at old plans to see what it was designed for. We would need to rebuild the lower end, clean the pond up and put in a structure that will detain some water rather than allow it to free flow. The whole area needs to be looked at and brought to our standards. Lots 12 and 13 are empty lots which are having issues. Mr. Brock has been asked by the owners for help as the area is labeled in a floodplain and a floodway, but DNR's most updated maps do not show the floodway. Holloway Engineering said that it was a hand drawn map from DNR that labeled it as a floodway; he is looking into finding that copy. It is felt that this was done in error, as it is a tiny creek; Mr. Brock agreed that the Drainage Board would help to look into how to get it corrected.

The Joint Drainage Board approved the last section of Westpoint in Hendricks County whom takes the drain in as a regulated drain. It was decided that Morgan County needs to take the section on our side in as a regulated drain. Hendricks County Surveyor, Dave Gaston and Mr. Brock will get together with a consultant to walk the ditch to make decisions. We will comply with Hendricks County standards. This may be brought before the Drainage Board but the Joint Drainage Board has the authority to make the decision as well. It should be submitted around the first of the year.

Stormwater Update

When the crops come out this season, Mr. Dials said that we would travel the Regulated Drain to see what maintenance will need completed prior to planting season.

Work is still in progress on the new IDEM permit; IDEM still does not have approval yet. We have put together a new Stormwater Prevention Plan for county facilities.

March 12, 2022 is the potential date for the next River Clean Up, which will target all three sites.

Surveyor Update

A new bridge over Mud Creek, a regulated drain, will be put in.

Bob Barr, the erosion and river expert for the State has been in contact with our office. They will be boring in the old oxbows down by Paragon which will be completed to determine the direction of the river and causes of erosion. There will be two completed in the county and one up North.

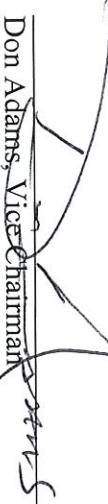
A letter to INDOT regarding Hilldale Cemetery Ditch has been drafted and presented to the Drainage Board. The ditch is still not functioning properly and we have not had any cooperation in receiving the requested as-builts. We hired Burke Engineering to complete our watershed study, we asked for a preliminary drawing, which Mr. Brock presented to the board. The drawing shows INDOT's bridge with our culvert 700 feet downstream. Their bridge is at 599.98 while our invert is 600.91, a foot above the bridge. The top of their bridge is at 605, the top of our culvert is 606. The top of the culvert is a foot higher than the top of their bridge opening. There is also a 2.7 foot hump downstream of the bridge; the bridge is not put in how or where it should be. Burke Engineering grave 2-3 preliminary options to correct the issue and therefore Mr. Brock felt it was best to get everyone together for a meeting. The letter asked, again, for the as-builts and that INDOT be in attendance of our next Drainage Board meeting December 6, 2021. Each of the commissioners, the Mayor of Martinsville, and Martinsville's Director of Planning and Engineering are being asked to sign the letter in agreeance. Mr. Brock asked for the Drainage Board's approval of the letter. Mr. Adams made a motion to approve the letter, Mr. Collier seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Mr. Collier made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

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Kenny Hale, Chairman


Don Adams, Vice Chairman


Bryan Collier, Member

ATTEST:


Terry Brock, Morgan County Surveyor