

MORGAN COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

*December 6, 2010
11:24 A.M.*

Drainage Board members present were: Norman Voyles, Brian Goss, and Don Adams. Also present were: Terry Brock (Surveyor), Deb Verley (Administrative Assistant), and Pete Foley (County Attorney).

MINUTES

Don Adams made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 3, and November 1, 2010 meetings. Seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 2-0.

SUBMISSION AND MEETING SCHEDULES

Don Adams made a motion to approve the schedules. Seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 2-0.

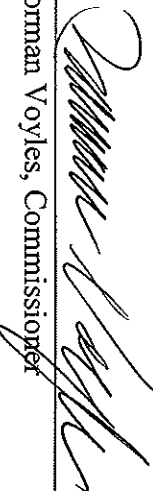
DITCH MAINTENANCE

Terry Brock handed out a copy of a petition that was submitted by the landowners along Lake Ditch. There were 52 signatures on the petition. Mr. Brock stated that once the ditch is cleaned, it needs to be maintained; this would require a ditch maintenance fee. All the surrounding counties have a general drain fund, but they collect it differently. Hancock County uses the interest off of a \$2 million fund the council gave them. Hamilton and Hendricks County have a ditch levy. Mr. Brock stated that they could have an assessment for each ditch in addition to a general drain fund. Don Adams stated that he would like to see a maintenance fee for ditches that is only paid by the landowners that are affected by that particular ditch. Mr. Brock stated that in the rural areas, the assessment would be per acre. Bill Dials, Stormwater Coordinator, outlined how a few other counties have set up general drain maintenance funds. Pete Foley stated that the next step would be to have Mr. Brock submit a proposal for funding the ditches. Don Adams made a motion to direct the surveyor to develop a drain plan for the ditches. Seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 3-0.

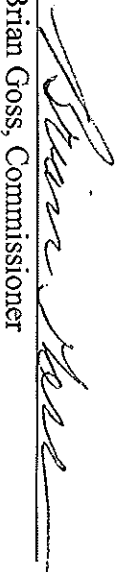
ADJOURNMENT

Don Adams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

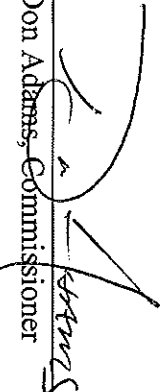
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Norman Voyles, Commissioner

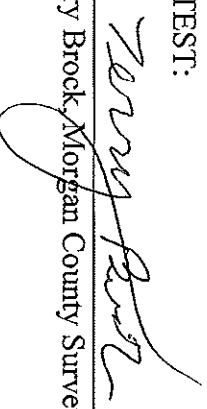


Brian Goss, Commissioner



Don Adams, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Terry Brock, Morgan County Surveyor