

MORGAN COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

*July 5, 2005
11:00 A.M.*

DRAINAGE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT WERE: NORMAN VOYLES (Commissioner), JEFF QUYLE (Commissioner), AND BRIAN GOSS (Commissioner). TERRY BROCK (Surveyor) was on vacation.

HESS TRAIL OBSTRUCTION - (Leslie Skaggs)

Mr. Gerald Etter stated that he had not blocked the flow, he restricted it to slow it down. Mr. Etter stated that in the 35 years he has lived there, he had never seen water in the drain until they excavated the ground next to his property. Mr. Etter showed a picture of the area and diagramed how the water drains in the area. Mr. David Skaggs stated that water is on Larry Hess's property and explained how the water flows from his property. Mr. Skaggs stated that water stands 36 to 40" deep in places for a few weeks after it rains and in the last month a pair of ducks have been coming in.

Brian Goss asked if he would be correct in stating that there is a pipe that goes under the road and is suppose to direct the natural flow of water. Mr. Etter connected a pipe to the other side and when the piping came apart, it created a hole. Mr. Etter stated that the pipe came apart due to the volume of water coming through the pipe. Mr. Goss stated that you cannot restrict the flow of water or force water onto a neighbor. Mr. Etter stated that that is exactly what has happened.

Norman Voyles stated that in talking to the Surveyor, they do not have a problem with slowing down the flow of water, but the problem is that the pipe is either plugged or has been restricted too much.

Jeff Quyle asked if the restriction was sized right to let the water flow at a reasonable rate, and was able to flow through the pipe without doing Mr. Etter or Mr. Skaggs any harm, if this would be agreeable. Mr. Etter stated that that was part of it, but also who would pay the cost of maintaining it.

Norman Voyles suggested that the Surveyor, Mr. Skaggs, Mr. Etter, Larry Smith, and a member of the Drainage Board should all meet at the site. Mr. Foley stated that maybe the parties could come to a resolution at this meeting and suggested the issue be tabled until after this meeting. Norman Voyles stated that they would not be able to meet until after Mr. Brock comes back from vacation. Jeff Quyle made a motion to table the issue. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

SPRING LAKE MAJOR SUBDIVISION (Holloway)

Mr. Brock recommended that this drainage plan not be approved. Mr. Amos stated that there are problems with the dam and the proposed road across the dam. Jeff Quyle stated that when the Plan Commission approved the rezoning for this property, there were significant questions raised about the dam and the propriety of having a road across the dam, the county would not want to accept responsibility for making that a county road and maintaining it. Jeff Quyle made a motion to table the Spring Lake preliminary drainage plan. Seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES 12/6/04, 1/3/05, 3/7/05

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2004, January 3, 2005, and March 7, 2005 meetings. Seconded by Jeff Quyle. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Jeff Quyle made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

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Terry Brock, Surveyor

Norman Voyles
Norman Voyles, Commissioner

Brian Goss
Brian Goss, Commissioner

Jeff Quyle
Jeff Quyle, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Mae Cooper
Mae Cooper, Auditor