

THE SAMUEL Cohee drainage Board met in the office of the Rush County Surveyor on Friday, April 21, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. with the following present: Mark Bacon, Tom Ripberger, Robert N. Jackman, members; Marvin L. Rees, Surveyor, and Leigh Morning, Board attorney.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read, approved and signed by Motion of Ripberger, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jackman.

The Surveyor explained that he talked to Jerry Sitton, county highway supervisor, and they did not have the equipment to spray ditch banks. He also talked to local chemical companies and to Mike Holzback in particular who stated that they could supply the chemicals if needed but were not equipped to spray ditch banks.

There was again much discussion about having the landowners take care of their own properties and the fact that some plant up next to the drain.

A motion was made by Ripberger to get quotes from the two companies the Surveyor has information on to spray the working side of the drain. Jackman added an addendum to the motion to send letters to the landowners with the amount of the quotes and explain that it would be cheaper for them if they took care of their own properties.

The Surveyor was asked to talk to Dan Starke who works for the State Chemist office to see if he knew of any local companies who we could request a quote from.

After more discussion the previous stated motion was seconded by Jackman. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be May 30, 2017 at 8:15. Quotes will be opened at this meeting.

With nothing else to come before the Board the meeting was closed on motion of Jackman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ripberger, motion carried.

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Mark Bacon

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Tom Ripberger

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Robert N. Jackman