

The Rush County Drainage Board met in the Commissioner's Room of the Rush County courthouse on February 8, 2016 at 10:10 a.m. with the following present: Mark Bacon, Paul Wilkinson, Bruce W. Levi, members; Leigh Morning, Board attorney; Marvin L. Rees, Surveyor; Michele Gordon, secretary. Warren Norris, county councilman, was also present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by motion of Wilkinson, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Levi.

JAMES ALEXANDER TILE

Bonnie Linville has requested a reconstruction of this tile. She has been working with the NRCS office concerning the outlet structure and a waterway that goes across her property. The Surveyor questioned the Board as to their thoughts about including the waterway as part of the reconstruction of the tile. The Board asked him to contact the NRCS office to find out if funds are available for the outlet structure and the waterway before proceeding on the proposed reconstruction.

CARR/STANLEY TILE

The Surveyor is still trying to determine the costs involved with reconstructing this tile that includes going under the railroad. The Surveyor would like to have a meeting with the landowners to discuss possible costs involved with the railroad to see if they still want to proceed with the reconstruction.

VILLAGE AT FLATROCK RETENTION POND – HEARING

Interested landowners present can be found on a list in the file in the Surveyor's office. Mayor Pavey and Julie Newhouse, attorney for the petitioners, were also present. Julie Newhouse informed the Board that notices had been mailed to the known landowners within the watershed and the hearing notice had appeared in the paper. No written remonstrances have been received. The next step in the petition process would be to move forward and hand the matter over to the Surveyor for his Final Report. Landowners present were concerned about their taxes being raised and felt they did not benefit from the pond. The Surveyor stated he could not say how much the maintenance assessments would be at this time. He would need to work on his estimate based on reports he had yet to review. He stated that landowners within Blue Ribbon Estates did benefit from the pond since it holds the water that once drained on to their properties. Once this is turned over to the Surveyor it will be up to him to determine the exact watershed of the pond and all the affected landowners. A second hearing will eventually need to be scheduled concerning the maintenance assessments. A motion was made by Levi, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilkinson, to move forward and turn the petition over to the Surveyor for his Final Report. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion to adjourn was made by Levi, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilkinson. Motion carried.

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Mark Bacon

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Paul Wilkinson

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Bruce W. Levi