

DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

APRIL 1, 2019

The Rush County Drainage Board met in the Commissioner's Room of the Courthouse on April 1, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. with the following present: Mark Bacon, Paul Wilkinson, Bruce W. Levi, members; Marvin L. Rees, Surveyor, Shelle Hendrix, Secretary. Mayor Mike Pavey, Warren Norris and Chuck Kemper were also present as well as several landowners.

A motion was made by Levi with a 2nd by Bacon to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried and the minutes were approved and signed.

RUSHVILLE FLOODING

Chuck Kemker spoke about sending a letter of intent to apply for a grant to do engineering studies concerning the flooding issues. The letter of intent needs to be sent by the end of April, 2019. Mayor Pavey stated it should be done as a large comprehensive project with several phases and agreed the cost should be shared equally between City and County. Bacon stated the City and County needs to decide what to include in the letter of intent. Bacon made a suggestion to write a letter of intent consisting of each entity's goals and to split the cost of the engineering study 50/50. Wilkinson made a motion with a 2nd by Levi to write the letter of intent. Motion carried.

GEISE/STEVENS

Desmond Stevens asked that this portion of the Drainage Board meeting be recorded, stating it is required by Judicial Review. Bacon recorded with his cell phone and later sent the recording to the Surveyor's email. Rees read his report to the Board and also presented a map showing where the work is to be done, both of which are on file in the Surveyor's office. Stevens stated they would prefer to not have their property divided and do not wish to lose any more trees than necessary. Rees agreed it is not known exactly where the blockage is located.

TINSLEY/MEAL OPEN

The Surveyor recommended bids be taken in June 2019 with work to start in the fall 2019. Landowner Allen Hurst stated he would be willing to wait another year if necessary, but would really like to see it done. Levi made a motion with a 2nd by Bacon to proceed with bids. Motion carried.

THOMAS GRAY TILE

Wilkinson made a motion with a 2nd by Levi for bids. Motion carried and a date of May 13, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. was set to take bids.

BLOUNT/FLETCHER OPEN

The landowner has made a request to not bury the brush pile and let it sit for a year to later be disposed. Wilkinson made a motion with a 2nd by Levi to grant the request. Motion carried.

RUSH COUNTY STORM DRAINAGE POLICY

The Surveyor asked for a waiver for landowners Johnathon and Heather Herbert. Wilkinson made a motion to grant the waiver with a 2nd by Levi. Motion carried.

CARR/STANLEY

The Surveyor reminded the Board of the upcoming Hearing on April 15, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Levi made a motion to adjourn with a 2nd by Bacon. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Mark Bacon

Paul Wilkinson

Bruce W. Levi