

**DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING**

**November 8, 2021**

The Rush County Drainage Board met on November 8, 2021 at 10:15a.m. in the Commissioner’s Room of the Rush County Courthouse with the following present; Mark Bacon, Paul Wilkinson, and Ron Jarman members; Marvin L. Rees, Surveyor, Ashley Perkins, Secretary, Leigh Morning, Attorney, also present Carl Harcourt, County Council.

The minutes for the meeting held on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021 were approved and signed on motion by Jarman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilkinson.

**RUSH COUNTY STORM DRAINAGE POLICY**

Surveyor presented a waiver for Hilderbrand. Waiver was approved and signed. Motion by Jarman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilkinson. Motion carried.

**FLORENCE LYONS TILE**

INDOT reported that they are working near our tile and I will keep the Board posted.

**WM S. HALL OPEN**

Surveyor stated he is meeting with Bonnie Linville Thursday 11-11-21 to look at the drain. He will follow up with the Board once I know something.

**GEISE**

Kevin Geise, Carol Geise were present. Geise filed a petition to remove an obstruction in a mutual drain that is on the east side of his house. Surveyor asked Geise where the obstruction was because on petition he said the obstruction was on his own property. Surveyor also asked what the dates when he talked to Stevens. Geise stated the obstruction is on Stevens property near the willow trees. Bacon asked Geise how he knew it was near willow trees. Geise stated because he can see water bubbling up. Geise stated his basement drain is connected to this mutual drain. Wilkinson stated that this drain is not a county drain so we can not rebuild it. Bacon stated when we put in the new county tile, if the mutual tile is already connected to the county drain, the mutual drain will be reconnected to the new 15” tile. Motion was made by Jarman to dismiss Geise petition, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilkinson. Motion carried. Mr. Geise’s check for three hundred dollars was returned.

Mr. Geise then said that he did not want the two tiles of the Geise/Stevens Drain to be reconstructed into one drain. He stated that if the 15” tile were to back up it would flood his basement and his sump pump would not be able to keep up. He was told that the only way to change the Board’s decision on the reconstruction of this drain was to file for a Judicial Review. Jarman asked when the bidding process could start on the Geise/Stevens Drain. The Surveyor stated that we are required to wait for twenty days after the Final Order of the Board was published to see if a Judicial Review had been filed. The Final Order was published last Wednesday November 3, 2021.

With nothing else to become before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Jarman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilkinson. Motion carried.

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Mark Bacon	Paul Wilkinson	Ron Jarman
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