The Rush County Drainage Board met on Monday March 28, 2022 at 10:05a.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; Chuck Kemker, David Coon, Joyce Morrell, Kimber Ging, Linda Sanders and Kasey Marley of Wessler Engineering.

The minutes for the meeting on March 14th, 2022 were approved and signed on motion by Jarman, 2nd by Wilkinson.

CARR/STANLEY

Surveyor read his report that can be found in the file. Surveyor recommended having a Hydrologist to come and look at the cemetery and see where the cause of the excess water issue may be. Surveyor presented an estimate cost per acre to install the tile past the cemetery. This is not apart of the other previous estimate. Surveyor felt it is best to find the cause of the issue before spending a lot of money on a tile that may not fix the problem. Jarman stated Mr. Monty McMahan, Township Trustee, needs to be informed of our decision. Surveyor recommended using the remaining money in the Engineering contract with Wesslers. Motion made by Jarman, 2nd by Wilkinson. To proceed with a hydrologist. Motion carried. Wessler stated they hope to have a proposal buy the next meeting.

DRAINAGE PLAN WAIVER

Luke and Sara Hodgin – Waiver was approved and signed by Wilkinson, 2nd by Jarman. Motion carried.

Jim and Christy Sprinkles – Waiver was approved and signed by Jarman, and by Wilkinson. Motion carried.

ABRAM HACKLEMAN RECON

Kimber Ging is to replace Ron Jarman on the Board for this drain’s Reconstruction Project. Leigh Morning explained to Kimber how he was selected and what will happen at the hearing.

COUNTY FARM DRAIN

Surveyor told the Board Gettinger will give an estimate at a later date to remove the trees that are along the tile. Niedenthal is still complaining about water on his property. Chuck Kemker stated there has been 4” of rain since the beginning of March most in the last two weeks. Surveyor stated that he will watch the situation.

ALEXANDER MAINTENANCE PROJECT QUOTES

The was only one quote presented RAMSEY FARM AG ENT. For $19,745.00. Motion to accept the quote by Wilkinson, 2nd by Jarman. Motion carried.

RUSHVILLE FLOODING

Wessler presented a final draft of the plan that can be found in the Surveyor’s office. It was discussed in detail. After much discussion. Motion made by Jarman, 2nd by Wilkinson to accept the final draft. Motion carried.

With nothing else to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Jarman, 2nd by Wilkinson. Motion carried.

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Mark Bacon                                      Paul Wilkinson                  Ron Jarman