

**DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING**

**January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

The Rush County Drainage Board met at 10:31a.m. January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 with the following present; Mark Bacon, Ron Jarman, Kenny Aulbach, Marvin L. Rees, Surveyor, Ashley Perkins, Secretary, and Leigh Morning, Attorney. Also present Desmond Stevens, Jerry Stevens, Kevin Geise and James Ramsey.

The minutes of the meeting that was held on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 were approved and signed by Jarman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Aulbach. Motion carried.

**MANILLA DRAIN BIDS**

Leigh Morning read opening bids

- Indiana Excavating - \$469,147.44
- Wells Excavating - \$29,535.00
- PAF Construction - \$62,205.00
- Russell Gettinger - \$18,500.00

Leigh advise surveyor to take under advisement.

Motion to advisement made by Jarman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Aulbach. Motion carried.

**NELSON-PLUMMER OPEN HEARING RE-ASSESS \$2.00 PER ACRE**

Surveyor stated the need to re-assess at \$2.00 per acre. Surveyor stated that a rough estimate about 3 years assessment but not sure. Bacon called for public input. Hearing none, Motion made by Jarman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Aulbach to assess the drain at \$2.00 per acre. Motion carried.

Surveyor stated he is going to check with other counties about trapping beavers that are damming up county open drains.

**GEISE/STEVENS HEARING @11:00A.M.**

Bacon opened the hearing and the Surveyor read his report, which can be found in the file. Desmond Stevens introduced himself and stated there was no reason the tile should be replaced. He stated it may need maintenance. The Board stated they would like to see where the outlet lies at. But without rain fall it's a possibility it may not show. Surveyor and Kenny agreed to go there when weather is permitting within possibly 30 days to determine where the outlet maybe. The Board agreed to table the request. Motion made by Jarman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Aulbach. Motin carried.

Motion to locate the outlet within the next 30 days weather permitting made by Aulbach, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jarman. Motion carried.

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

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Mark Bacon	Ron Jarman	Kenny Aulbach
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