

DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

August 07th , 2025

The Rush County Drainage Board met in special session at 9:01a.m. August 07th, 2025, with the following present; Ron Jarman, Kenny Aulbach, Jeff Wilson, Doug Hall, Marvin L. Rees, Surveyor, Jeremy Wood, Apprentice Surveyor. Also, present Adam Schwering, Curtis Schwering. Attorney Reeves and Tom Mahan were absent.

Committee meeting

A committee meeting was held on August 6, 2025, at 6:00 PM at the Doug Hall farm to address the point system currently in place to determine the awarding of a bid. Those in attendance were, Curtis Schwering, Randy Dierckman, Aaron Coon, Steve Lane, Kevin Peggs, James Ramsey, Casey Owens, Doug Hall, Kenny Aulbach, Marvin Rees, Jeremy Wood.

Surveyor stated at the committee meeting the consensus of the attendees is to award more points to the lowest bid, and to add points under the equipment the contractor intends to use. The Tile Plow has been added to be equal with the Tile Trencher Machine using a percentage of the tile that will be installed by the plow and a percentage of the excavator installed.

Motion by Jarman to approve points discussed at the committee meeting, second by Hall. Motion carried. Here inserted:

Procedure for Evaluating Bids For the Rush County Drainage Board			
Project Bid			
Lowest Bid		25 Points	
Second Lowest Bid		15 Points	
Third Lowest Bid		10 Points	
Fourth Lowest Bid		5 Points	
Work History			
Has worked for the Board in the past with no problems		20 Points	
Has never worked for the Board. References provided		15 Points	
Has worked for the Board in the past and had an unresolved problem with landowner		-10 Points	
Has worked for the Board had problems with landowners that cost the watershed money.		-20 Points	
Workmanship			
Most Satisfactory		20 Points	
Second most satisfactory		15 Points	
Third most satisfactory		10 Points	
Fourth most satisfactory		5 Points	
Ability to Perform the Work (Equipment contractor intends to use As indicated in his bid)			
Tile Trencher Machine		20 Points	
Tile Plow Contractor will give the % of tile that will be installed by plow and % of excavator installed		20 Points	
Grapple Trench Box		15 Points	
Excavator with a spoon bucket		10 Points	
Time of Completion As indicated in the contractor's bid			
Most Satisfactory		20 Points	
Second most satisfactory		15 Points	
Third most satisfactory		10 Points	
Fourth most satisfactory		5 Points	

Also, discussion at the committee meeting was to address consideration to moving construction to the summertime.

Surveyor stated the Sam Trabue Reconstruction will be set to rebid, and open to all. Bids will be due at the drainage board meeting September 22, 2025, at 10:00 AM.

Motion to accept date for bids due by Jarman, second by Hall. Motion carried.

With nothing else to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned by Jarman, second by Hall, at 9:19 AM. Motion carried.

Kenny Aulbach

Ron Jarman

Jeff Wilson

Doug Hall