

**FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING
FOR APRIL 10, 2017**

The Fulton County Drainage Board met on Monday, April 10, 2017 in the Conference Room of the Fulton County Office Building at 9:00 A.M. The following people were in attendance: Chairman Bryan Lewis, Vice-Chairman Rick Ranstead, Commissioner Steve Metzger, Surveyor Don Towne, Secretary Kasey Hensley and Attorney Greg Heller.

RE: DRAINAGE/SITE PLAN- CENTENNIAL PARK

The Board was presented with a modified drainage/site plans for Centennial Park to be located on the northwest corner of 9th St and Main St, Rochester, IN. Part of the revision showed the catch basin(s) moved to the southeast corner of the property. The concrete footers in association with placement of the basin(s) was discussed.

Chairman Bryan Lewis entertained a motion to approve the drainage/site plans as presented with the addition that all drywells be placed inside the property, not to intrude under any roadway or sidewalk. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0.

RE: INDIAN CREEK

The Indian Creek Joint Board will meet Wednesday, April 12, 2017.

RE: DELINEATION/#821 GEORGE WILSON OPEN, CAUSE #2-2016

Delineation will begin Wednesday, April 12 and continue to Thursday, April 13, 2017 for the #821 George Wilson Open. Surveyor Don Towne briefed the Board as to what the delineation company will be looking at for the report as well as possible cost impact.

RE: W. BATZ DITCH/ORVI RAMER

Surveyor Don Towne informed the Board landowner Orvi Ramer is looking to tile an open through his property. The ditch is not set up on Maintenance but it is a ditch of county record. Don stated as long as the neighbors are ok, the conversion is allowed. Vice-Chairman Rick Ranstead voiced concerns regarding the tile size as well as placement depth. Size and depth are relayed to the landowner from the Surveyor's Office.

RE: #649 STEINKE WILSON OPEN/STEVE METZGER

The Board was presented with a map of the #649 Steinke Wilson Open. Steve Metzger farms property on both sides of the south end of the Open. He is requesting to tile in the area to allow for irrigation movement. Surveyor Don Towne was concerned with transitioning from open to tile to open to tile. Steve will be looking into different options.

RE: #769 EDDY CREEK ARM #3, BRANCH #1, CAUSE #1-2001

Eddy Creek Arm #3 to Branch #1 was set-up on Maintenance in 2001. Landowner Mark Brubaker has tiled sections of this system. The once lower land, now tiled is not working. Mark is requesting the land be placed into a wetland. Surveyor Don Towne stated the process will be tough since it is a County

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system, we will need to be able to maintain our right of way with no complications. At this time the Board does not need to take any action, as this is still in the idea stage. Future updates will be given as need arises.

RE: MAINTENANCE/RECONSTRUCTION FEES FOR CEMETERIES

Due to a recent public hearing for Reconstruction/Maintenance rate increases, trustees voiced concerns regarding cost verses lack of income for cemeteries. Attorney Greg Heller found no case law addressing drainage rates for cemeteries. He suggested to not make a blanket ruling for all cemeteries, but to take each on a case by case basis. The Board has the right to set the rate at a minimal regardless of size.

RE: #525 DAVID CLEVENGER, CAUSE #15-1968

Surveyor Don Towne informed the Board that shots were taken throughout the Clevenger and based on the numbers it can be run backwards. Since the Buckeye Pipeline runs through the area, we need permission from them to run under their pipeline. The Buckeye meeting is currently pending. Don needs to speak with a few state agencies as well.

RE: SHIDELER SPRAY/SPRAY CONTRACTS

We are told that the owner of Shideler Spray is now the elected Surveyor of Delaware County, Indiana and has ended his company. A letter was sent in March concerning the 19 spray contracts which are incomplete from 2015 as well as the 24 contracts from 2016. Shideler Spray has not returned contact with the Surveyor's Office. Following a brief discussion, the Board agreed to void Shideler's contracts and allow for them to be rebid. A certified letter will be sent to the company releasing them from services in Fulton County.

Chairman Bryan Lewis entertained a motion to void all contracts with Shideler Spray effective immediately and allowing the contracts to be rebid for the 2017 Spray season. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0.

Surveyor Don Towne will invited The Dalton's and Right of Way Management to the bidding. The bid opening will be before the May Drainage Board meeting. Vice-Chairman Rick Ranstead and Commissioner Steve Metzger agreed to allow Bryan to open said bids and award to the lowest bidder. The results will be presented in the May meeting.

RE: BID OPENING- 2017 SPRAY BIDS

Chairman Bryan Lewis opened the 2017 Spray Bid packets, which consisted of 19 Opens. Bids were submitted by The Daltons Inc, Right of Way Management, and Prairie Marsh. The contractors were awarded the following bids:

Right of Way Management received 10 bids: #508 Ananias Baker for \$5,253.57; #525 David Clevenger for \$1,034.00; #527 J. Costello for \$2,283.00; #601 Nathan Pontius for \$1,887.00; #636 Walsh O'Brian

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for \$5,759.00; #657 EB Collins & JR Kline for \$3,901.00; #670 Robbins & Walters for \$3,609.00; #672 Agnes Waite for \$1,722.00; #679 Reed Olmstead for \$3,885.00; and #723 Mud Creek for \$8,759.00.

Prairie Marsh received 9 bids: #521 Ammon Bucher for \$5,281.50; #543 Gast Arm #4 for \$813.64; #545 William Graham for \$5,224.38; #585 Mikesell & Mahoney for \$1,565.25; #653 Dean Neff for \$7,759.71; #692 Bair & Partridge for \$418.17; #714 Willow Creek for \$4,221.11; #754 Fouts for \$692.37; and #802 Goss & Rouch for \$1,570.70.

The Dalton's did not receive any bids for the 2017 program. Chairman Bryan Lewis entertained a motion to award Right of Way Management with the previously mentioned 10 Opens; to award Prairie Marsh with the previously mentioned 9 Opens. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board was presented with minutes from the February 13, 2017 Drainage Board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0.

CLAIMS

ADJOURNMENT

FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

Surveyor

ATTEST: Kasey Hensley, Drainage Board Secretary

(A CD of the meeting is available in the Surveyor's Office)