

**FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING
FOR JANUARY 9, 2017**

The Fulton County Drainage Board met on Monday, January 9, 2017 in the Conference Room of the Fulton County Office Building at 9:00 A.M. The following people were in attendance: Commissioner Bryan Lewis, Commissioner Steve Metzger, Commissioner Rick Ranstead, Kasey Hensley, Surveyor Don Towne, and Attorney Greg Heller. Treasurer Kathy Easterday was in attendance for the meeting.

RE: ELECTION & APPOINTMENT

The first meeting of the 2017 Drainage Board began with the election of Board members. Commissioner Steve Metzger nominated Commissioner Bryan Lewis as Chairman. Commissioner Rick Ranstead seconded the nomination, which passed 3-0. The nomination of Commissioner Rick Ranstead as Vice-Chairman passed 3-0.

Greg Heller of Heller Law Office was appointed as Board Attorney. Kasey Hensley was re-appointed as Board Secretary.

RE: INDIAN CREEK APPOINTMENT

Chairman Bryan Lewis entertained a motion to appoint Drainage Board Commissioner Steve Metzger to the Indian Creek Joint Board. The motion was made and passed 3-0.

IN RE: #813 W.F. WILSON OPEN, CAUSE #1-2012

Landowner Jess Daily requested the Board allow him to change the route of the #813 W. F. Wilson Open. The current route blocks roughly 3 acres of farmland. The change would allow easier access. Surveyor Don Towne stated the neighbors are good with the change. Jess informed the Board he would be using DeSabatine Excavating, since they will be in the area working on Mill Creek.

The Board briefly discussed the request. Chairman Bryan Lewis entertained a motion to approve the rerouting of the #813 W.F. Wilson Open as presented. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0.

IN RE: RESOLUTION 010917DB

The Board was presented with Resolution 010917DB, stating the upcoming dates for the Drainage Board meetings for 2017. The Resolution states all meetings shall be held on the second Monday of every month, at 9:00 A.M. in the conference room at the Fulton County Office Building. If said Monday falls on a holiday, the meeting shall be scheduled for the following Tuesday. Any special or unscheduled meeting shall be published individually for public notice.

Chairman Bryan Lewis entertained the motion to accept the resolution as presented. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0.

RE: BID OPENING- #523 PETER BUSENBURG OPEN, CAUSE #40-1966(J)

Chairman Bryan Lewis opened the bids for the #523 Peter Busenburg Open, Cause #40-1966(J). The Surveyor's estimate for this project is \$20,900.00. The bids are: Jordan Fields \$30,000.00; Lease Excavating \$8,990.00; Kolesiak Excavating \$23,569.00; Gudas Excavating \$20,000.00; LDP Excavating

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\$12,772.00; Zimpleman Excavating \$18,890.00; Kirk Ingram \$13,750.00; Ramer Excavating \$18,963.00; and Overmyer Excavating \$14,250.00.

The low bidder was Lease Excavating for \$8,990.00. There a brief discussion about the bids. Bryan entertained a motion to award the low bid to Lease Excavating. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0.

RE: #825 SS COLLINS OPEN TO BR #3 TO BR#2 TO ARM#4/INDOT CONTRACT

Surveyor Don Towne presented the Board with a contract from INDOT for the boring under St. Rd. 14. Prior to the meeting, Attorney Greg Heller was given a copy to review. Greg stated the contract was acceptable. Following a brief discussion, Chairman Bryan Lewis entertained a motion to accept the terms of the contract from INDOT as presented for the boring. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0. Bryan was required to sign 3 copies of the contract as well as having them notarized. Two copies will be returned to INDOT and the third will be retained for the Surveyor's files.

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

Surveyor Don Towne informed the Board he received a contract from the wetland delineation company Orbis. Attorney Greg Heller reviewed the paperwork and stated it looked good. Don reviewed the George Wilson Open with the new board members to bring them up to speed. Don will sign the contract and return it to Orbis. The delineation will be on hold until vegetation begins to grow in the spring.

RE: SET PUBLIC HEARING- #525 DAVID CLEVINGER TILE, CAUSE #15-1968

Surveyor Don Towne requested the Board set a public hearing for Reconstruction and a Maintenance increase on the #525 David Clevenger Tile, Cause #15-1968. The proposed Reconstruction rate is \$790.00/benefitted acre with a \$790.00 minimum; the proposed Maintenance rate is \$12.00/benefitted acre with a \$12.00 minimum. The tile is in poor condition and currently the Maintenance is more than three years in the red. At this time, if the Reconstruction does not pass then the Maintenance will need to be increased.

Chairman Bryan Lewis entertained a motion to set a public hearing for Monday, March 13, 2017 at 9:30 A.M. at a proposed Reconstruction rate of \$790.00/benefitted acre with \$790.00 minimum; to increase the Maintenance at a proposed rate of \$12.00/benefitted acre with a \$12.00 minimum. The motion was made, seconded and passed 3-0.

RE: REVIEW FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Surveyor Don Towne reviewed the two upcoming Public Hearings for the Monday, February 13, 2017 for the new Board members.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board was presented with minutes from the December 12, 2016 Drainage Board meeting. The motion was made to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and passed 3-0.

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CLAIMS

ADJOURNMENT

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ATTEST: Kasey Hensley, Drainage Board Secretary

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