

FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING FOR APRIL 8TH 2024

The Fulton County Drainage Board met on Monday April, 8th 2024 in the Conference Room of the Fulton County Office Building at 9:00 A.M. The Following were in attendance: President Dave Sommers, Vice Chairman Rick Ranstead, Commissioner Bryan Lewis, Surveyor Seth White, Attorney Hollie -Pifer Shorter, drainage secretary Lacey Holloway. Public Attendance: Trent O'Dell, Mike Ladd, Phone Conference: Jim Straeter.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RE: TRENT O'DELL ROBINS WALTER TILE

Structure 43 on Dr. Hoff property, we located the county tile and what HRP wants to do is replace the tile under the road. Garrick Lease tore it up and there was a lot of roots in it, so it is a good thing to replace the tile with the roots going in it. HRP was talking that the city was originally going to put two structures in, but since then things have gotten a little messed up. Now that the tile is located all the way through HRP wants to go 19 feet or a little further to tie into the water main so that would be about 100 feet. Derek said that as far as he was concerned to put a concrete cradle in and be fine with it. Price per foot is \$ 65.00 per foot for the 18' plastic corrugated pipe. It is \$ 108.00 per foot for the concrete pipe. That is \$4300.00 difference between the two. As far as the county funds go for this tile there is only \$1600.00 in the account, and the county has Garrick Lease and Overmyer's to pay still. So, the county is going to have to figure out how to come up with money to pay for the rest of this project. Seth suggested taking it out of the GDI and then reimburse the GDI. The county should pay for at least the \$65.00 per foot to go across the road, which is 100 feet. Now if the county has to take it to the concrete pipe, Seth's opinion is the contractor should have located the county tile first, since the county shouldn't have to spend a dime to located a tile that there are no issues with due to the funds being tax payers' dollars. Since then HRP has put the water main in and everything is good. That cost was \$16,000.00 to redo the whole process. For the county to pay the difference of the \$108.00 a foot vs \$65.00 a foot Seth is not sure if the county or the city should be held responsible for that. Dave's response is that everything should have been located 100% before the water main was ever put in, or before anything was ever started. Seth does not think that HRP pushed our county tile down to put in the main, but they did build over the top of it. Dave said, "HRP still saw the tile and continued to build over it, so a lot of this issue should fall on USI and HRP." HRP

found our county tile when they were putting in the storm water main. Commissioner Dave Sommers replied, "They still never called, or check with the county to cover any basis at all necessary before moving forward." Bottom line is what are the county and the city going to do now. Seth feels that the county should pay the \$65.00 per foot which would be around \$6500.00. Trent O'Dell doesn't think there is a choice that HRP is going to have to go with a concrete tile. Seth is not sure how long that concrete pipe is going to have to be. Trent O'Dell agrees that it is the city's responsibility to pay any amount that is over the \$6500.00 that the county is going to pay. Trent asked Seth to find out what HRP would recommend and then go with it and the city will pay the difference. Seth asked Trent if he wanted the structure? Trent responded, "I don't think it is a bad idea, he hates to have to spend the money but mis well do it now while they are there and working on it." As far as billing goes, HRP is to bill the city and then the city is to bill the county. Lacey is going to send Beth an e-mail letting her know what is going on with the billing situation. So, in conclusion, Seth is going to call HRP (Joe Saggars) and ask if the city/county can do a cradle, if its cheaper then we are going to do that. If we can do just a couple sticks of pipe and its cheaper then we will go that route. Agreement to add a man whole to it and the county will pay \$ 6500.00 for this and the difference will be billed towards the city. That should completely complete this whole project, the only thing that would come in the way of completion is if HRP goes past the 100 foot and find tree roots in the tile, if the tree roots are thick then the county might have to go a little further, if they are thin tree roots and only a few there then we will have HRP let it be. Rick Ranstead make the comment to let Seth make that decision when the time comes, and there is no set back or meeting needed with the commissioners to make that decision, it will be left in Seth's hands.

RE: RUSTY MCGREW- DRAINAGE PLAN

Rusty originally submitted a drainage plan for the same building he was wanting to put up but it was going to be in a different location, that fell threw so now he is wanting to build on his vacant ground in Fulton. In the county if is over 2 or 3 acres then there is usually no reason for a drainage plan, but since he submitted one then we are going to run it through the meeting. Rusty is going to take all run of to the ditch. Rick Ranstead made a motion to accept Rusty's drainage plan and Dave Sommers seconded. Passes 3-0.

RE: HOFFMAN TILE

This the tile that Mr. Honeycutt called in and let is know that this tile is broke down in several spots, it is actually breaking down in one spot. Several years ago, he called in and James and Seth went out to look at it. Mr. Honeycutt asked to do a reconstruction on this tile. In this situation Seth asked if Banning could be involved. Banning provided a quote on a price per acre. They provided two different options. There is a quote for a partial reconstruction and a full reconstruction. The partial reconstruction total cost would be \$318,000 and the full reconstruction would be \$318,000. The cost per acre is over \$2,000.00 per acre. Seth doesn't believe there is anyway in the world that Mr. Honeycutt or anyone in the watershed is going to be willing to pay that. Seth asked Hollie, "Since we do have someone that has 10% of the watershed land, do we need to proceed?" Hollie responded, "If Mr. Honeycutt wants to proceed then we will have to do the same and proceed." Need to set a hearing date for May. Hearing date is set for May 13th 2024 @ 9:15 a.m. for the #558 Hoffman, assuming Mr. Hoffman will want to proceed. If he does not want to proceed then we will not publish the hearing nor continue to have the hearing.

RE: JIM STRAETER-PHONE CONFRENCE #551 HAIMBAUGH TILE

Haimbaugh Tile comes out of the Robbins and Walters ditch, and the issue that the county has had is where Mr. Straeter owns, it is underground. The tile is not low enough to get the equipment over it without taring up the tile. So, when Shallie's go in and farm that they usually get stuck. Jim has asked for a couple years now what the options were? The unfortunate thing is the only way to get cover is to come back through and basically reconstruct the whole system. One thing Jim asked Seth that could be possible is if the county ran an 18' tile right beside the Haimbaugh Tile with cover on it. So, if the county did that, the insulation would have to go on the landowners, this would be cheaper than inputting a hole new one. Seth thinks the contractor would have to start out with a 30' tile in order to meet the specs. So, if the landowner decides to put the 18' tile right beside it then the county could set that tile up on maintenance and have two different tiles on maintenance and have two different accounts. The problem would be if the clay tile would ever fail (the old tile) would the new tile keep up, with not being as big as the old tile. The other part is making an industrial park on the South side of county road 100, there would be more run off. So, the landowners would have to pay for the new tile that would run beside the old tile first, then the county would come back and set it up on maintenance and take care of it from there with the collection of tax payer dollars in an account. Option

#2 would be to do a complete reconstruction and have a hearing on that reconstruction. If Jim would put in a new tile he would only go to County Road 100. Seth and Bryan both agree that it will cost more to do this project twice. So, if anything was built out on this tile there would have to be a retention pond as well. On a reconstruct the landowner is billed by the state and if that bill is not paid then the state adds a 10% penalty. If Jim wants to take the cheaper route he can pay for it all by himself. Right now, we are just talking options, but if there is a grant coming in for the park that will be thrown in then that will help. 30-foot smooth core is \$30 a foot from fratco and 18 smooth core is \$17.00 a foot.

MINUTES:

March 11th 2024- approved 3-0

March 25th 2024 – approved 3-0

CLAIMS:

INGRAM EXCAVATING \$18,567.99- #762 UPPER MILL CREEK 85% PAYMENT

TAM EXCAVATING \$1,200.00 #723 MUD CREEK- TREE REMOVAL

TAM EXCAVATING \$14,820.00 #712 MILL CREEK ARM #2 85% PAYMENT

TAM EXCAVATING \$5,950.00 #712 FRY DITCH 85% PAYMENT

LARRY JAMES EXCAVATING \$1,300.00 #580 MASTELLAR ARM #2- REPAIR SUCKHOLE

FULTON COUNTY TREASURER \$38.54 FUEL

BONYES CRITTER CONTROL \$1,050.00 #790 BALL GINTHER- BEAVER

BOYNES CRITTER CONTROL \$360.00 #601 NATHAN PONTIUS- BEAVER

LARRY JAMES EXCAVATING \$835.00 #752 DEARDORF TILE- FIX SUCKHOLE

HOLLIE PIFER SHORTER- \$833.33- LEGAL CONSULTANT

FULTON COUNTY TREASURER \$51.10 – FUEL

QUILL \$29.99- OFFICE SUPPLIES

GO PURDUE! MARCH MADNESS 😊

ADJOURNMENT-

FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

Surveyor ATTEST: Lacey Holloway, Drainage Board Secretary (A CD of the meeting is available in the Surveyor's Office)