

**CASS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING**  
**May 7, 2012**

The Cass County Drainage Board held their regular scheduled meeting May 7, 2012 at 1:45 P.M. in room 203 of the Cass County Government Building. Those in attendance were members: Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors, Gene Powlen, Attorney John Hillis, Surveyor Jenny Clark and Secretary Cindy Howard.

**Dave Arnold called the meeting to order.**

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the minutes for April 2, 2012. Gene Powlen 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion passed.

**EXPENSE CLAIMS**

Claims CCS-0764 through CCS-0778, were presented.

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve all claims. Gene Powlen 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion passed.

**UPDATES – CURRENT PROJECTS**

**A. Powel Tile #80**

Jeff Healey for Banning Engineering will report in June. Banning Engineering will have a meeting with the land owners on May 10, 2012 at the home of Richard and Sara Jane Crimmins. A motion to postpone the public hearing until September 4, 2012 at 2:30 P.M. was made by Jim Sailors. Dave Arnold 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion passed.

**B. Dehaven Open & Tile #37**

Banning Engineering will have a progress report in June. Mark Chambers 5357 E. State Rd. 18, Galveston, was present and described 2 holes in the tile that have appeared. INDOT has not responded, as to their responsibility for the ditch.

**C. Trib D to Jones**

Bob Brewer 803 E. Broadway, Logansport, IN was present to represent his family farm for this project and asked where this project is at this time. There are 2 letters on file that give Mr. Brewer permission to speak on the family farms behalf. Banning Engineering is to give the final report on this project in June.

**WORK ORDERS**

**NEW**

**A. Work Order #28 – Plotner Tile #127**

There is a 4 foot tile hole on Debra Mishler's property, Lee Depoy is requesting it to be repaired. Gene Powlen motioned to have the tile repaired, not exceeding \$1000.00. Jim Sailors 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion passed.

**B. Work Order #29 – Hollenback Crawford Open & Tile #9**

Bob Carney is requesting that 2 tile holes be repaired on Homer Smith's property. Mr. Carney has an estimate from Ulerick & Bruntlett for \$700.00. Jim Sailors motioned to repair the tile and not to exceed \$900.00. Dave Arnold 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion passed.

**C. Work Order #30 – Montgomery Tucker Open & Tile #23**

There are several places of broken down tile, it is slow to drain and there is little to no coverage on this tile. It is requested by Tony Herd and Richard Clary to repair this tile. After much discussion, it is decided to do more investigation before proceeding. This is tabled for more information.

D. Work Order #31 ~ Orlando Powell Open #83

There are beaver dams in the ditch and in the culvert. John Williamson 5400 N. 400 E., Logansport, IN 46947 was present and explained more of the problem. After discussion Jim Sailors made a motion to get bids to dredge and clean the ditch. Gene Powlen 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion passed.

E. Work Order #32 – Kennell Berkshire #28

There is a Public Hearing on this ditch set for September 4, 2012. Ward Haselby would like the bank repaired and the outlet pipe. Gene motioned to do the repairs, but not to exceed \$500.00. Dave Arnold 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion passed.

F. Work Order #33 – Lybrook Kitchell #93

There is a large tile hole on the Tony Plank farm. Mr. Plank asked for an estimate from B & S excavating, that has not been received at this time. It is requested to put this back on June's agenda.

G. Work Order #34 – Orlando Powell Open #83

John Musselman has requested repairs to be done due to beavers building dams and quick sand giving way on the banks. After much discussion, it was decided to wait until the end of summer and see what can be done or needs to be done.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

A. Grable Tile #4 – INDOT Letter

Attorney John Hillis has not at this time had a response to a letter he sent to INDOT regarding this project. Mr. Hillis will try to call Pierre Smith at INDOT.

B. Landis/Clem v. Carl Ruble

After some discussion on this matter, Attorney John Hillis will write a letter to the party's Attorney's. Superior Court 1 has not ruled on this and for now it is out of the Drainage Boards hands.

C. Homburg Drain #66

This is a joint drain with Carroll County. Jenny Clark reported that Cass County is still sending assessment money for the joint drain, which is no longer a joint venture. Attorney John Hillis will check with the Auditor's office to see what needs to be done to stop the sending of these funds and any others that should no longer be sent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Bob Minnick 3733 S. 150 E. and Dan Minnick 1833 E. 400 S., Logansport, IN, presented pictures of the Bradford Tile #86. The pictures showed the tile being blocked by some repairs done by Alvin Mennen. Bernard Slusser 4345 S. 175 W. and Rex Slusser 1384 E. 400 S., Logansport, IN 46947 also explained their concerns with the situation. After much discussion, the Minnicks and Slussers were asked to file a petition for the obstruction.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Jim Sailors made a motion to adjourn; Gene Powlen seconded; motion passed.

  
Cindy B. Howard, Secretary

  
David S. Arnold, President