

CASS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

August 5, 2013

The Cass County Drainage Board held their regular scheduled meeting August 5, 2013 at 1:45 P.M. in room 203 of the Cass County Government Building. Those in attendance were members: Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Attorney John Hillis, Surveyor Jenny Clark and Secretary Cindy Howard.

Dave Arnold called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on June 3, 2013. Jim Sailors 2nd; Motion carried.

EXPENSE CLAIMS

Claim CCS-0840 thru CCS-0847, were presented.

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve all claims. Ralph Anderson 2nd; Motion carried.

NEW WORK ORDERS

A. Order #69 - #24 Charles Wilson Open & Tile:

Craig Kennell presented a bill for payment. Mr. Kennell was asked to hold the bill until the 1st assessment installment was received and then he would be reimbursed. This was discussed and passed at an earlier meeting.

B. Order #70 - #62 Conn Open :

Surveyor Jenny Clark explained that the bridge is too close to Nipsco and the County Highway easements. Per Tina Beckers request there is also a hole that needs fixed. Jenny Clark will notify Jeff Smith at the County Highway. Ralph Anderson made a motion to proceed with the repair of the hole. Jim Sailors 2nd; Motion carried.

C. Order #71 - #62 Conn Open:

Jim Beecher is requesting a riser be inserted at the east edge of the filter strip. This request is denied, it is outside of the County easement.

CURRENT PROJECT UPDATES

A. Charles Wilson Open & Tile #24:

There is nothing to report at this time per Joe Miller of Banning Engineering.

B. B D Bradfield #11:

Joe Miller with Banning Engineering reported on a landowner's discussion. Mr. Miller presented a proposal for the project, Alternative 1, \$250,000.00 total, \$280 per acre assessment; Alternative 2, \$200,000.00 total, \$230 per acre assessment. Alvin Mennen of Logansport, shared his ideas with the board. Dave Arnold made a motion to proceed with Alternative 1 and if it warrants after the work starts to scale back, then to do so. Ralph Anderson 2nd; Motion carried.

C. Trib D to Jones #109:

Jeff Healey, Banning Engineering reported that there are a few items that need to be resolved with the contractor.

D. Powell Tile #80 Opening of Bids:

Attorney John Hillis opened bids and they are as follows:

Dave's Excavating, Marion, IN \$333,698.00; Ingram Excavating, Winamac, IN \$319,710.00; Deichman Excavating, Logansport, IN \$294,100.00; B & S Excavating, Walton, IN \$187,956.00; HRP Construction, South Bend, IN \$854,000.00. Ralph Anderson made a motion to accept the lowest bid after review from Attorney John Hillis and Banning Engineering. Jim Sailors 2nd; Motion carried. Ralph Anderson made a 2nd motion that if after the review of the lowest bid, it is not accepted the next lowest bid is to be used. Jim Sailors 2nd; Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

- A. IC 36-9-27-43 Omission of Annual Assessment:
After discussion the Board asked that Jenny Clark and Attorney John Hillis research this information and advise at the next meeting.
- B. Umbenhour Miller #108:
After discussion, Jenny Clark recommended an assessment rate of \$5.00 per acre for 1 year and \$2.00 each subsequent year with a \$5.00 minimum. Dave Arnold motioned to accept the recommended and assessment. Ralph Anderson 2nd; Motion Carried.
- C. W A Zollman Tile #130:
Jenny Clark proposed the assessment to consider at the November 4, 2013 Public Hearing. Ralph Anderson motioned to set assessment at \$10.00 per acre with a \$5.00 minimum assesment. Jim Sailors 2nd; Motion carried.
- D. Anderson Tree Company:
A letter and pictures are noted and filed.
- E. McWilliams Open Ditch:
A letter was received from Marion Pullen, the letter has been noted and filed.

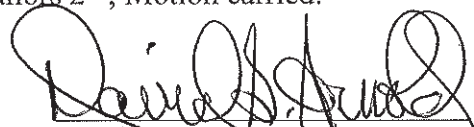
PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. Herd Crimmins of Lucerne, had questions concerning the procedure for the Powell Tile project. Attorney John Hillis addressed the questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn; Jim Sailors 2nd; Motion carried.


Cindy D. Howard, Secretary


David S. Arnold, President