

Motion to approve minutes from 2/8/21 Chris Ross, 2nd Kevin Nigh, vote 3/0.

Amos regulated drain: Jeff Powell, land surveyor, is here requesting to reduce a drainage easement at 5590 W 900 N, Fountaintown. He states this is a regulated drain that is not currently on maintenance, the area he is looking at is north of 900 N. He presents the drainage board with a drawing of the area and requests a reduction in the drainage easement to fit the proposed residence on the property as well as agreement for a perimeter drain to flow into this ditch. He is requesting to reduce the easement from 75' to 50' on the east side of the drain and remain at 75' on the west side. Don Parker asks the distance he is requesting the reduction for. Mr. Powell states at most it is ¼ mile, probably more like 600-700'. Mr. Powell states the west side of the ditch is completely clear and would be the most logical place to access the ditch. The drainage board reviews the drawing with Mr. Powell. Don Parker would like to have the total distance that Mr. Powell is requesting the reduction for, Mr. Powell agrees to provide a drawing with this specific information for the Surveyor's office and drainage board to keep in their records. Chris Ross motions to approve reducing the drainage easement by 25' for this section of the drain, 2nd Don Parker, vote 3/0.

Glessner Ditch: Taylor Sumerford, county surveyor, has some concerns about accessing this ditch in the future. He advises they normally access the ditch off McKay Rd. where there is 75' ROW. Concerns stem from plans the current landowner has to develop apartment buildings. Mr. Sumerford states it is getting hard to spray and maintain as it is getting crowned in the area already making it challenging to access. Don Parker feels it's very important that the landowner does not encroach on the 75' easement so it can be maintained as the new apartments would be draining into it too and there would be less open land to help soak up ground water. Kevin Nigh feels the area of proposed development is the best access to the ditch and agrees with Commissioner Parker that they need to do everything they can to protect the easement. Chris Ross proposes the possibility of the City taking over this part of the ditch if they are going to allow the development around it and since they (the City) already maintain the ditch to the north of McKay Rd. The City does contribute money to the ditch fund. Don Parker will contact the City of Shelbyville to discuss the drainage board's concerns.

Adjourn.