

Drainage Board Meeting
October 5, 2021

**Present: Jim Seiler, Tom Brown, Heather Gries, Surveyor Jeff Meredith, Dara Harris, Auditor
Melissa L. Bunner**

Location: Commissioners Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

Meeting was called to order by President Brown at 1:45 P.M.

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve minutes for September 7, 2021. Gries seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Surveyors Report

Cooper contracting has finished the 300 ft twin culverts on CR 850 W & 150 N. There were a couple of delays due to weather and a natural gas leak.

Alex, the Supervisor at Reo Water, advised the water in the ditch in front of the water plant on SR66 west of Sandridge does not flow. Alex and I inspected the ditch in question. Alex advised the plant discharges 130,000 gallons of water into the ditch every month plus the normal rainfall. The ditch is shallow, and the culverts are approximately half full of sediment. Upon investigating, I believe cleaning this ditch out from SR 66 south to Bakers Creek would make a significant difference in flow. This ditch is in the Bakers Creek Watershed.

Don Everard called about an easement under the railroad track on CR 800 N by the County Highway Garage to repair a water line. I spoke to Norfolk Railroad and was able to assist Mr. Everard in applying for the permits needed.

Willia Chandler called about a tree that had fallen in her yard from the ditch behind her home in Green Acres Subdivision. I went and inspected the ditch and removed the tree in question. The ditch is starting to grow up in certain areas.

Linda Winkler with Wink LLC called about assisting her with County Verification of Business Location form for an alcohol permit for 560 S Washington Street in Dale. She came in the office, and I was able to assist her with the necessary information.

Bob Barr, a Genealogist with IUPUI called about an "ox-bow" in a waterway east of SR 161 south of Patronville that he is interested in investigating. I provided him with the potential landowners to get to contact.

Linda Sturgeon at Reo Heights subdivision called and requested assistance with removing trees from her ditch. Her property adjoins Holiday Drive-Inn. I spoke with the owner of the Drive-Inn, and he explained how the trees are a buffer from noise and dust coming from his property to the properties in Reo Heights. It is also a deterrent from people sneaking onto his property. I investigated the ditch and I believe I can remove the trees and brush behind Mrs. Sturgeons property later this fall.

Received an invoice from Cash Waggnar & Associates for section Corner Perpetuation for services rendered through August 31, 2021. Invoice was for \$30,000 from the Corner Verified Perpetuation Fund 1202-000-4312.00.

Surveyor vehicle update – Top Auto serviced the Surveyors truck and advised the repairs necessary for the truck would exceed the trucks value. The trailer had tires replaced and two (2) new sets of wheel bearings. Top Auto is currently working on getting the lights in working order.

Would like to go ahead and start the process to get the 4-wheeler advertised for open bids and get it off our inventory list. Would like to have the bid deadline before the November 2, 2021, Commissioners Meeting.


Seiler motioned to approve this sale. Gries seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Commissioners asked the status of the ditch spraying. There are currently no records of what has been done and what is left to do. Meredith will follow up when he finds out.


Seller made a motion to adjourn. Gries seconded the motion. Motion approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 2:08 P.M.



President

Attest:


Auditor, Melissa L. Bunner



Mark Gries