

**Drainage Board Meeting  
February 2, 2021**

**Present: Jim Seiler, Tom Brown, Heather Gries, Surveyor David Faulkenberg, Susan Harris, Auditor Melissa L. Bunner**

**Location: Commissioners Meeting Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Courthouse**

Meeting was called to order by President Brown at 1:00 P.M.

**Minutes**

Seiler made a motion to approve minutes for January 5, 2021 with the following amendment. At the time of the last meeting, the fall collections had not been received. The correct balance with the fall collections is \$73,614.69. The following corrections were added:

Huffman Maintenance	\$7,239.37
Baker Creek Maintenance	\$7,116.51
J.C. Haines	\$3,051.89
Total:	\$17,407.77

Gries seconded the motion. Motion approved.

**Surveyors Report**

Faulkenberg asked if we have received any paperwork regarding Jeff Lindsey being the attorney for the Surveyor. Lindsey will take care of it.

Faulkenberg let the Commissioners know that his vehicle has been struck twice while parked at the Courthouse. The first incident has been reported to insurance but the second one is still pending the police report and final steps. He will get it fixed when all the paperwork has been completed.

JB Chrisney Watershed public hearing date is scheduled for March 2, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. CST at the Spencer County Courthouse. Letters have been mailed to all parcel owners with names, addresses, parcel numbers, and amount of assessment, percentage that each parcel comprises of the total watershed, time, date, and location of public hearing.

The Caney Creek Watershed study was received from Midwestern Engineers today with the same process of notifying each parcel owner will begin in the near future.

Caney Creek Watershed:  
7.02 square miles  
12.29 miles of regulated drains  
4,491 acres  
139 parcels

Big Sandy Watershed information, located North of Grandview, was given to Midwestern Engineers to complete the next watershed. Once completed, it will be the seventh of nine watersheds in the county that will include all regulated drains in the county. Approximately 27,512 feet (5.2 miles) of regulated drain will be required to be added to the regulated drain inventory. The existing drain has no regulated discharge point. With the newly added 5.2 miles of drain, the watershed will discharge into the Ohio River in Grandview, Indiana. Notifications and a public hearing will be required to complete this process.

The following transfers and additional will be requested by the Surveyor's office at the February 16, 2021 County Council meeting.

1. Transfer \$35,000 from Drain Improvement fund 2600 to General Drain maintenance fund, sub-ledger Baker Creek (2700-4012).

Per IC 36-9-27-45-2a – when a shortfall of funding exists within a regulated drain fund 2700-4012 (Baker Creek Watershed) general drain improvement fund shall be used (2600) and reimbursed from the appropriate maintenance fund (2700-4012) Baker Creek Watershed.

2. Additional: \$50,000 from Riverboat to General Drain Improvement Fund (2600)
3. Transfer: \$50,000 from General Drain Maintenance fund for startup funding for Lake Drain (2700-4023)
4. Additional: \$5,000 for watershed delineation fund number 4311. Two (2) watershed studies will be completed this year. One is complete and payment is due. On the other, the work has begun. The County Council did not include this in the budget.

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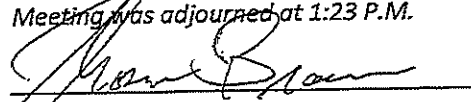
5. Additional: \$40,000 for cornerstones verified. These funds are available through transactions in the Recorder's office set aside for cornerstone perpetuation only.
6. Transfer: \$5,077.50 from Drain Plan (Invalid account) to Drain Improvement Fund (2600) to be used only on Anderson River as it is encumbered funds for Anderson River.

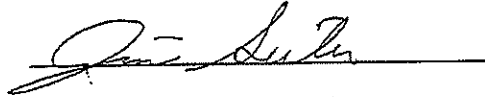
Gries motioned to approve the transfers and additional requested by the Surveyor. Seiler seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Herron Excavating is 80% complete on the Baker Creek (Robert Hatfield drain) project.

Faulkenburg needs to have a new computer for his deputy Surveyor. Seiler motioned to pay for the new computer out of Courthouse Maintenance. Brown seconded the motion. Motion approved.

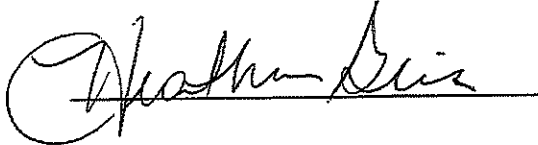
Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gries seconded the motion. Motion approved.  
Meeting was adjourned at 1:23 P.M.

  
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President

  
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Attest:

  
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Auditor, Melissa L. Bunner

  
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