

**Drainage Board Meeting  
March 7, 2017**

**Present: Al Logsdon, Jim Seiler, Tom Brown, Surveyor David Faulkenberg, Elaine Jones, Attorney Kelly Ward, Auditor Autumn Winkler**

Meeting was called to order by President Al Logsdon at 1:30 P.M.

**Minutes**

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes from February 7<sup>th</sup> as presented. Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

**Surveyors Report**

Faulkenberg stated that the logging situation on Hoopole ditch has been resolved. He has been in contact with all parties and all affected have come to an agreement. Ward will draw up a contract for everyone to sign. Seiler made a motion to finalize the Hoopole ditch work regarding the Richards and Oldham properties as agreed to by all parties. Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Crooked Creek: Faulkenberg presented pictures and a report of what work was done to correct the issues in Crooked Creek. Mike Cochenour removed the major log jam that was causing farm ground to wash out and also log jam #2 that was smaller, but still an issue. Cochenour completed the work for \$2,000.00. There is a third log jam that needs removed, but is of less concern and will have to wait due to Cochenour needing to move his equipment out for now. Faulkenberg feels that Cochenour will also remove log jam #3, but is unsure of what the cost will be.

Thomas Strassel Drain: Faulkenberg stated that at the last meeting he had discussed with the board that he felt the issue with this drain was that the elevation of the pipe to the sandpit was too high and needed to be lowered to allow the water to drain. Logsdon contacted Faulkenberg after the last meeting and informed him that the previous surveyor felt the pipes under the railroad were too high. Faulkenberg shot the elevation and agreed that the pipes under the railroad are two feet higher than the pipes under the road to the sandpit. Faulkenberg spoke with the landowner about the possibility of running a ditch through his property to the sandpit allowing drainage and he was not in favor of that. Faulkenberg will contact the railroad about the possibility of them allowing the pipe to be lowered, but it is doubtful they will agree. At this time there is nothing we can do to resolve the issue.

Anderson River: Faulkenberg stated that he spoke with D-Lite Construction about the 2 large trees down just upstream from Huffman Mill Bridge that need removed. D-Lite went and looked at the job and quoted Faulkenberg a price of \$1,500.00 to remove the trees. Logsdon stated, "Get it done!"

Big Sandy: Faulkenberg stated that he spoke with Mike Cochenour about the 2 small jams in Big Sandy and he has agreed to clear them. The estimate for this job is \$1,500.00 and this is only an estimate, because Cochenour has not had a chance to look at the job yet he is going off what Faulkenberg told him. If this job costs Cochenour a little more or less than the \$1,500.00 we will need to pay what the cost of the job is.

Branch Lake Drain: Faulkenberg spoke with Justin Roth about the beaver dam at the bridge on CR 600N and he has agreed to remove the dam at no charge. There is an obstruction on the last 200 feet before you get to CR 450W that we will address at a later time. Faulkenberg has not been able to contact the landowners yet.

Faulkenberg stated that he is working with local contractors or farmers around the problem area to save money on paying someone the cost of travel and moving equipment to and from jobs. Logsdon said to continue, that's what they want him to do and he liked the way everything was reported.

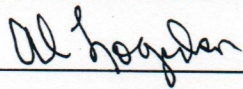


**New Business**

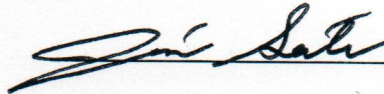
**Tower Drain**

Faulkenberg reported that he was contacted by Austin Hastings of HNTB Corporation about a concern around SR 161 and CR 200N just south of Richland. INDOT is planning to replace two pipes under SR 161 about a mile north of the intersection of CR 200N and SR 161. The ditch elevation is higher than the inlet side in several spots downstream from the pipes. The downstream ditch needs cleaned and dipped out about 1300 feet from SR 161 to CR 200N to provide proper drainage. They wanted to know if we have any plans to clean the ditch before the pipe is laid. Faulkenberg wants to know if the board has any interest in pursuing this project. Faulkenberg stated he estimates somewhere around \$4,500.00 to clean out the ditch. Logsdon stated we just need to bid out and see where our bids come in at. After it's cleaned out we should be able to keep it sprayed. Faulkenberg would shoot the elevation on the whole ditch to ensure we don't end up with the same situation further down. We don't want to spend money to clean one area and then have issues later in another.

Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Brown seconded the motion, motion approved.  
Meeting was adjourned at 1:55 P.M.



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President



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