

DRAINAGE BOARD

April 14, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Schilling called the regular meeting of the Davison County Drainage Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Auditor Kiepke took roll call as follows: Members of the Board present were Mark Schilling, Chet Edinger, Jay Larson, Jerry Buchholz, Gregg Bult and Commissioner Kiner. Absent Commissioner Weiss. Ex-Officio members present were Drainage Administrator Bathke, Deputy Wegner and Auditor Kiepke. Absent Director of Equalization Goetsch and Highway Superintendent Weinberg.

Guests – Jessica Burns, Shirlee Burmeister, Tim & Lori Kummer, Doug Miller, Lyle Lowrie, Delmar Mueller, Daniel Mohr, Darrell Muziner, Marie Weisz, Luvern Neugebauer, Jerry Moeller, Robert Henglefeld, Donald Garves, Robert Titze, Randy Müller and Richard Reimnitz.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS

Auditor Kiepke administered oaths to all Drainage Board members.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Bult, second by Edinger to approve the agenda for the April 14, 2014 meeting. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Buchholz, second by Larson to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2014 meeting. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND CITIZEN COMPLAINTS

Drainage Administrator Bathke reported that two months ago Glen Lowrie was denied a drainage permit and was given two months to put a locked gate on. As of April 1st, 2014 the gate has been installed. The gate is not to be opened without approval from the Drainage Board.

Doug Miller stated that everybody should be allowed to put a gate in, then. He believes Mr. Lowrie's should be dug out every 50'. But, he stated, the bottom line is he wasn't supposed to do it the way he did.

Don Garves believes there should be more caps mandated for Lowrie. He also believes it is wrong to have caps next to fence. He stated that water will pool next to the township road and will saturate it.

Edinger stated that Mr. Lowrie is not able to drain properly with the means installed. He further stated that if water creates problems, he will have to take additional measures.

Commissioner Kiner believes that it was an illegal act and should be turned over to the States Attorney. Drainage Administrator Bathke will deliver the case to the States Attorney's office.

CONSIDER DRAINAGE PERMIT

Dan Mohr has made application to drain the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 10, Perry Township which will drain into the SE ¼ of Section 10, Perry Township.

Drainage Coordinator Bathke reported that the Township is okay with Mr. Mohr's plans to repair the ditch.

Board member Larson questioned why the work was done before a permit was obtained.

Mr. Mohr responded, saying that he bladed it to the field because he put up a new shop and didn't want a mosquito haven next to it. He wants to continue to blade from Bonnie Hanson's property south to the ditch.

Motion by Edinger, second by Buchholz to approve the application with the condition that the ditch is fixed by May 1, 2014 and approved by Perry Township. A roll call vote was taken as follows Edinger - aye, Larson - aye, Kiner - aye, Buchholz - aye, Bult - aye and Schilling - aye. Absent Weiss. Motion carried.

DRAINAGE UPDATE

Richard Reimnitz reported that he had been to the FSA and NRCS and requested help with his drainage plan.

Robert Titze, representing Bernice Titze, reiterated that FSA had told them they had everything in order to drain so they didn't need to apply for a drainage permit.

Robert Titze stated they would stop digging, but other than neighborhood bullying, there is no reason to put the area back the way it was. He requested that they not have to restore the work they had already done.

Randy Miiller said he lives downstream from the Titze property. He said his yard gets flooded enough already without speeding up the water, which he feels will happen if Mr. Reimnitz continues with the project. The water was approximately three feet from Miiller's house the last time there was a heavy rain. Mr. Miiller continued, saying that water already runs over three township roads.

Marie Weisz, who owns land to the east of the Titze property stated that it drains through her land and the Burmeisters land.

Darrell Mueller feels there was an ideal grass waterway before the land was disturbed. When he flooded he was able to deal with it. He said if the waterway is straightened out, it will totally flood me, Burmeisters and Miillers.

Richard Reimnitz, who rents the land, stated that it was an ideal waterway and that he made it 50' wide because of the soup that comes through.

Motion by Larson, second by Edinger to shape it and grass it by July 1, 2014 then wait and see what happens once it's engineered by NRCS. A roll call vote was taken as follows. Larson - aye, Kiner - aye, Buchholz - aye, Bult - aye, Edinger - aye, Schilling - aye. Absent Weiss. Motion carried.

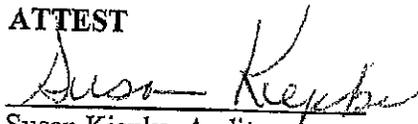
SET DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT MEETING

Chairman Schilling set May 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. for the next Drainage Board meeting.

ADJOURN

At 8:03 p.m., Chairman Schilling adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST


Susan Kiepke, Auditor


Mark Schilling, Chairman

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