

**PULASKI COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD**

**November 21, 2016**

The Pulaski County Drainage Board met on November 21, 2016. The meeting was called to order by President Bud Krohn Jr. at 2:31 p.m. in the Commissioner's Room, third floor of the Pulaski County Courthouse. Present was Bud Krohn Jr., Terry Young, Larry Brady, Attorney Tim Murray, Jenny Keller and Susan Thomas. Also present was Brian Huber, Wm. Beaver, Gary Overmyer, Kamden Miller, Beverly Overmyer and Richard Overmyer.

**OPENING OF BIDS**

<u>Bruce Lake Outlet</u>	Estimate - \$17,594.00	10% over - \$19,353.40
Beaver Excavating	\$15,900.00***	
Gudas Excavating	\$41,879.50 (\$6.50 per foot)	
Jordan Field	\$18,000.00	

Larry: Wm. Beaver's bid, he has a note in here. "Let it be of common knowledge that the culvert crossing located on this ditch is at a wrong elevation (approx. 12 in too high) and must be lowered to accommodate proper drainage. This is NOT included in this bid but can be performed at an additional cost."

Jenny: What culvert are you referring?

Wm. Beaver: The one on the farmer's property.

Jenny: Brian Lewis'.

Bud: So we've got the one bid for \$15,900.00 but that doesn't include the pipe moving and that's not the County's. That's the individuals.

Larry: My motion would be to approve Beaver Excavating for \$15,900.00 on the Bruce Lake Outlet.

Terry: Second.

Bud: Motion carried.

**LIGE HARP**

Larry: Someone came in and said I don't want this spoil on my filter strip?

Tim Murray: Which I think is just a request. They can't mandate that with us because statute allows us to do it. We've already cleared that up.

Jenny: His other concern was if you open up bids, where there's like maybe a few hundred dollars difference, the lowest bidder does not get the project.

Tim Murray: You don't have to give it to the lowest bidder do you?

Terry: Best bidder.

Larry: Upon further consideration and advice of our Attorney, it would be my motion to entertain the opening of the bids for the other two ditches of the Lige Harp.

Terry: I'll second.

<u>Lige Harp</u>	Total Estimate - \$19,281.96	10% over - \$21,210.15
Johns Brothers	\$20,000.00	
County Line Tiling	\$12,554.00***	
Jordan Field	\$32,000.00	

Larry: Move to accept the bid of County Line Tiling of \$12,554.00 for the Lige Harp two projects with one bid.

Terry: Second.

Bud: Motion carried.

\*\*\*\*\* A special meeting will be held on December 12, 2016 to open the Koepke Ditch due to rebid.

**GARY OVERMYER – MOSELY DITCH MAIN**

Jenny: We are surveying the Mosely Ditch Main from Pulaski County, it goes into Jasper County. We started at Twin Bridges and on into Jasper County. Also, there was a brushing job that a landowner had asked about last year.

Gary Overmyer: The Twin Bridges was last cleaned in maybe 1987. We would like to do it from the outlet all the way to the beginning of it.

Jenny: In the fund, we have \$21,775.13. We're only at \$ .35 per acre so Pulaski County is only bringing in \$2829.00 a year on the Mosely.

Larry: How far is it from Twin Bridges to the Monon?

Gary Overmyer: Two miles.

Larry: It would be my motion to go ahead, give us a scope of work that would take us to the Monon and from your original destination. Ask for two separate bids to be identified.

**WESTPHAL DITCH – BRIAN HUBER**

Jenny: Mr. Brian Huber asked if we could re-route the Westphal Ditch. A letter here stating that this is him, Kent Erb, as the landowner, this is what he wants to do. Here is our typed up petition.

Larry: Is this the only landowner involved in this?

Mr. Huber: What we are proposing is all on Kent's property.

Jenny: The Westphal is a maintained ditch so everyone is paying assessments on it.

Bud: Will this be paid by our maintenance?

Jenny: No. Now one thing to consider, it's no different than people that come in and ask to close part of their ditch and they're allowed to and then we ask them to be responsible for that like up to three years. Then after that, the maintenance kicks back in.

Larry: That would need to be drawn up but yes I would be in agreeance with that. My motion would be to approve this petitions request pending the final look over by our Attorney and allow our Attorney to get back with Jenny to give the following guidance whether to allow to move forward or if we need to have a hearing. If a hearing needs to be scheduled, schedule one asap for whatever the timeline is.

Terry: I'll second that motion Larry.

Bud: Motion carried.

#### **SHRADER DITCH**

Jenny: Just for your information on the Shrader. I gave that to Jordan Field for \$4200.00.

#### **WITTKOWSKI/KRULIK BRANCH**

Jenny: The Wittkowski Branch, I asked DeSabatine to give me a quote on that. He would charge \$1800.00 to clean the ditch. After that fact, Joe Krulik had come in and was asking about it. It's only Joe Krulik, the County Highway and this Carol Reinholt that are on this ditch. He asked if he could just petition to take it off maintenance and they would take care of it on their own. Joe never got back with me so I called him today. His response was, well I just think we're going to clean it. I said, are you still going to petition to take it off maintenance and he said yes. He needs to petition to take it off maintenance and you guys approve it. That's the status of that.

Larry: So does that mean that Carol Reinholt, her portion of land would get cleaned also by Joe?

Jenny: Yes.

Larry: And what about future owners?

Tim Murray: So they need to have a hearing to make sure they're clear that this is on them from now on?

Jenny: Yes.

Tim Murray: Or object and say why. I would just put it all in the record.

Jenny: I told DeSabatine not to do anything with it right now.

#### **HARMON DITCH AND BRANCH**

Jenny: On the Harmon Ditch and Branch, I gave that to DeSabatine for \$3300.00.

#### **JORDAN DITCH**

Jenny: Jordan Ditch, gave it to DeSabatine for \$3500.00.

#### **LIGARD BRANCH OF THE MOON DITCH**

Jenny: Ligard Branch of the Moon Ditch, there is a washout on the DePoy farm. DeSabatine Bros. will fix it for \$700.00.

#### **ROBERTS DITCH**

Jenny: Fred Allen came in and had some questions on a private crossing on the Roberts. This ditch was last cleaned in 2008. The crossing is not there no more. I told him that we do not pay for private crossings. The last major cleaning was 2008. Eight years ago. This is now just being reported? We have the codes stating that we do not pay for private crossing.

Tim Murray: Do you know who did the work?

Jenny: Weaver/Fox. He remembers taking it out because it was obstructing the flow is what I was told.

Tim Murray: That's good enough for me.

Larry: My motion is not to replace this tile, crossing.

Terry: Second.

Bud: Motion carried.

#### **MALCHOW DITCH**

Jenny: On this Malchow Ditch, Glen Abbott reported that the culvert there was rotted on the Malchow. Glen said that they didn't start farming that until 2012 and that this culvert had been in there for years. In 1994-1995, the ditch was cleaned mutually by the landowners. In 1995 it went on maintenance so that culvert had already been there prior. I said it's possible that you (Glen) could pay for it. I don't feel that the ditch should pay for it because it was existing before it even went on maintenance and its only purpose is like an over flow with the Monon.

Terry: Move to deny request.

Larry: I'll second that motion to deny.

Bud: Motion carried.

#### **STOUT/HODGE**

Jenny: The Stout/Hodge, Barb Stotler reported that the ditch was incorrectly dug in 2013. It is too deep and the banks fell in. She says it need dipped down the middle from 400S to 200S. She said the grass shouldn't be in there. Well we have lots of our ditches with grass. When we go and look at it, if it's not holding any water back, I can update you at the next meeting.

Larry: She acknowledged that the person dug the ditch when it was flooded.

Jenny: At that time it was decided too, that when the water goes down, if anything was wrong, the contractor would go back. Chris Loehmer was called back to that one several time.

#### **CORRECTION OF ROAD ABATEMENT**

Jenny: This correction of road abatement that is on here is just because the last meeting you gave the wrong road number. I believe you said 1050 W. It should be 1150W. Just so that is in the minutes.

**WUETHRICH/LOWRY**

Jenny: According to the pictures, it looks like the ditch is filled in with some dirt. I just wanted to bring that to your attention.

Tim Murray: Do we know Richard is the one who worked the field and did that?

Jenny: I don't know that he, per say, actually works the ground.

Tim Murray: I'm not giving him the benefit of the doubt. I had to stop and think maybe this isn't Richard doing it. Well, the standing rule is that it gets cleaned out and he (Richard Lowry) gets the bill.

Jenny: The County Highway has always done it.

Larry: I move they (the County Highway) clean it out.

Terry: Second the motion.

Bud: Motion approved.

Jenny: The County Highway billed us and then we billed Richard.

**CLAIMS**

A	\$ 2,609.00	JCLSS – Mike Kingman	Section corners	1201/50100.000	Surveyor Corner Perpetuation
B	2,140.00	DeSabatine Bros.	Hansel Ditch	50100.000	GDM
C	7,000.00	WTH Technology, Inc	Section corners	063/31801	Professional Services
D	25.75	Howards Marathon	Tire repair	36100	Equipment repair
E	197.32	Howards Marathon	Gas/oil change	22100	Gas, Oil etc.
F	94.49	Jenny Keller	Petty cash reimb.	063-52000	Petty Cash

Larry: Any concerns with the claims that are wrote down? If not, I move to approve the claims as presented.

Terry: Second.

Bud: Motion and second. Motion carried.

**MINUTES**

Larry: I'll move to approve the minutes as presented.

Terry: Second.

Bud: All in favor. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Larry: Move to adjourn.

Terry: Second.

Bud: Motion and second. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

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