

PULASKI COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 21, 2017

The Pulaski County Drainage Board met on Tuesday February 21, 2017 in the Commissioner's Room, third floor of the Pulaski County Courthouse. The meeting was called to order by President Bud Krohn Jr at 11:02 a.m. Present was President Bud Krohn Jr, Jerry Locke, Kenny Becker, Attorney Tim Murray, Dan Kain and Susan Thomas. Also present was Highway Superintendent Terry Ruff and Richard Lowry.

RICHARD LOWRY

Richard Lowry: I got a bill two or three weeks ago from the Drainage Board. They went down and dipped a little more out of that sewer down there and dipped along the road. (roadside ditch) I don't think it's a bit fair and it wasn't necessary.

Tim Murray: Scott Wuethrich and Mr. Lowry has had some issues about the ditch being disked over or plowed over.

Terry Ruff: We cleaned it out after the first of the year. We had to go out to 900S where some work took place so while we were on 900S we would take care of that 30" culvert that was supposed to be swabbed out on the end. Mr. Wuethrich was pushing that issue so we done both projects while we were out there and the bill was sent to Mr. Lowry for \$318.04.

Richard Lowry: Well first of all, it wasn't blocking a thing.

Tim Murray: Your time to object is over and done with. You were here, you objected and the Board passed and approved a motion. If you fill it back in, the County is going to clean it out and you're going to get a bill for it. That was what the Board voted on.

Bud: We are trying to show curtesy and listen to you but in this 2015 picture, you were content with this before we closed it and filled it in.

Terry Ruff: What are we talking about? The two 12" culverts?

Richard Lowry: Yes. There ain't a thing go through those sewers. I'm dammed up right there where the old road was. On Wuethrich's side it's all dammed up. There ain't nothing wrong with the sewers. There's blockage out in Wuethrich's field.

Tim Murray: This is an abandoned road. The County doesn't have any jurisdiction.

Kenny: No, it's permanently closed. (looking at pictures) Is that his property? Is that Wuethrich's property?

Richard Lowry: Over here, yes.

Kenny: Well then, he ought to have the right to do what he wants on his own ground, shouldn't he?

Richard Lowry: To leave it dammed up?

Kenny: No. That's his right to clean.

Richard Lowry He had it cleaned here at the outlet. It's going this way.

Tim Murray: Just to help Mr. Lowry, a natural surface watercourse vs. surface water. If I have a wet hole, that's surface water. You can't block a natural surface watercourse. A wet hole that never drains, I can pile up a dike. And I can keep your water, surface water, from coming over on my property. I had a case like that and it is perfectly legal to do that. You're going to have to talk with an attorney and file a formal petition with the Board and have a hearing on this so he (Scott Wuethrich) has a chance to come and address this issue. I can't advise the Board to act on this without Mr. Wuethrich having a chance to address this also. You need to talk to an attorney about that and see if you want to file a formal petition with this Board to determine whether or not he should be required to open that up on his property, to give Mr. Wuethrich notice and have a hearing so that he can come in here and if he has objections,

Kenny: You've got to go through the proper channels. We can't make a decision until you do.

HARPSTER DITCH (update)

Kenny: I will motion to table until next month when Jenny is here.

Jerry: Second.

Bud: Motion carried.

FOX-RADERSTORF

Dan: We need to increase the rate because there's not enough money in the fund. It's \$.96 an acre today and there's 1424.220 acres benefitted in this watershed. We need to have a hearing to raise the rate.

Kenny: Who wants to raise it?

Sue: Richard Foerg.

Jerry: How much did you say to increase?

Dan: At least \$2.00 an acre is what we recommend.

Kenny: I make a motion to raise it to \$3.00 an acre for the Fox-Raderstorf hearing.

Bud: Second. Motion carried.

MALCHOW DITCH

Dan: Mike Ricks was in wanting his little stretch from, starts at his property back to 300 S to be cleaned. Earl Johns is supposed to be taking care of this.

ANLIKER DITCH

Dan: Ron White reported a washout on the Anliker across from FRATCO. Johns Brothers are fixing that.

AGNEW DITCH

Dan: Rudy DeSabatine reported that this needs cleaned approximately 1/2 to 3/4 mile south of 100N. He said that DeSabatine Bros. will do it for approximately \$800.00.

BUDD FISHER

Dan: Todd Schmicker came in and said he would like this cleaned from 100S to Highway 14W.

Kenny: It's the stinking water grass.

Dan: Yes. We'll have to do some surveying on it and clean that portion of it that he wants cleaned.

BENNETT TILE

Dan: Brian Harper called and requested that the Bennett Tile be jetted. DeSabatines already got this done. They charged \$900.00 for three hours.

LIZENBY DITCH

Dan: Jim Busek said that he would like to have Joe Krulik put in a crossing so he wouldn't be running on his property. Joe came in and said he was going to put in a crossing to eliminate that problem with his neighbor.

HELMAN DITCH

Dan: Brian Putt would like the Helman cleaned. When we clean the Pelsey, we'll probably do the Helman at the same time.

ROBERTS DITCH

Dan: Ken Redlin wants the Roberts cleaned from 350N, the whole upper end of the Roberts. We will have to survey this.

SCHEUER/KELLER

Dan: It is in the red \$1668.51 and Bill Widner was in and wanted to touch up the ditch where they straightened up the ditch and the other part that goes through his portion of it through the muck, he wants it cleaned too. He would like to get reimbursed for doing this, at least enough money for fuel. We can bring this back up again next month.

STOUT HODGE

Dan: Fred Kasten was in and would like this cleaned from 300S on up. Will discuss this with Jenny to see what she wants to do.

SIGNING OF CONTRACTS

Kenny: I'll make a motion to sign the contract with Johns Brothers on the Lincoln Leach Ditch project.

Jerry: Second.

Bud: Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Kenny: I make a motion to approve the claims as presented.

Jerry: Second.

Bud: Motion carried.

A	\$ 17.40	Topcon Solutions	Flagging ribbon	24400	Field supplies
B	44.20	Howards Marathon	Gas	22100	Gas, oil etc.
C	3,000.00	DeSabatine Bros	Stein Ditch	50100.000	GDM
D	25.00	Howards Marathon	Test battery/jump	36100	Equipment repair

MINUTES

Kenny: I'll make the motion to approve the minutes as read.

Jerry: Second.

Bud: Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Kenny: Motion to adjourn.

Jerry: Second.

Bud: Motion carried Meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

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