

MINUTES OF THE DEKALB COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING OF JULY 2, 2020

Chairman Randall J. Deetz called the regular meeting of the DeKalb County Drainage Board to order at 8:30 a.m., Thursday July 2nd, 2020. Answering roll call was Randall J. Deetz; Michael E. Krehl; Jacqueline R. Rowan; Donald D. Grogg and William ‘Bill’ Hartman

ALSO PRESENT: Drainage Board Attorney Shannon E. Kruse; Administrative Assistant Brenda Myers; Surveyor Mike Kline and staff member Nate Frye.

IN ATTENDANCE: Joseph and Ida Mae Schmucker

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Jacqueline Rowan to approve the Minutes of June 25th, 2020 as standard minutes taken by the DeKalb County Drainage Board, seconded by Bill Hartman, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: A motion was made by Don Grogg to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Mike Krehl, motion carried.

➤ Shannon E. Kruse, Attorney Fees	\$1,295.00
➤ Bassett Office Furniture & Supply	<u>47.08</u>
TOTAL	\$1,342.08

JOHN KETCHAM DRAIN NUMBER 334-00-0: This drain is reported to be behind Wendy’s and under Pizza Hut. Mike Kline stated that there are six catch-basins in this location so they dug in this vicinity and found nothing other than a foot wide trench but no tile and no outlet; water is running with tadpoles and crawdads which have to be coming from the county pond. The City of Auburn has been onsite with their VAC truck, their jet truck and camera truck, and are hauling all the block away. The plan now is to dig deeper and run a locator through.

DRAIN VARIANCE – HENRY BEAMS DRAIN NUMBER 205-00-0: Presented is Joe and Ida Mae Schmucker of 7018 State Road 1 requesting a variance to be no closer than forty feet (40’) to the county tile that cannot be found.

Mike Kline stated that the verbiage of a previous variance that was granted would be the same for this variance since the tile has not been located, the variance states that once the tile is found if the tile is not in fact forty feet away from the building that Mr. Schmucker has agreed to move the tile.

Chairman Deetz questioned who is responsible in finding the tile and the surveyor said that normally they work with the landowner but they’ve been so busy he didn’t have the time or contractors to go out there and help him look; Mr. Schmucker dug across the property and Mike said his guys went out there and said he was plenty deep and covered all the areas where it shows the tile to be and concurred there is no tile in this area. Mike said he would like to run a locator up through the tile from the bottom where the pond is, locate the tile and then dig on up through there to find out the exact location.

Joe Schmucker stated that the tile would have to be over 12-16’ deep because they went down twelve feet and used a four foot drove and the tile is not where it is shown to be on the map.

Chairman Deetz stated that prior to building another building, the owner of the property needs to find that tile; it is the responsibility of the landowner to locate a tile and Mike Krehl stated that he agreed and it needs to be enforced and relayed to the landowners.

Don Grogg asked if staff from the surveyor's office could go out and help locate the tile. Mike said within the next couple of weeks he should be able to send his staff out to help.

Jacqueline Rowan moved that in compliance with the previous drain variance that was granted (June 4th, 2020) to make an allowance for this variance on the Henry Beams Drain Number 205-00-0 due to the difficulty in matching up the records as to where the tile is physically located and the circumstances of not being able to locate the tile, and on the recommendation of the Surveyor to approve and sign the Permit Agreement and Consent for Variance to Build a Permanent Structure within the Right of Way of Regulated drain, seconded by Bill Hartman. Motion carried by a 3-2 vote.

Don Grogg and Mike Krehl voted nay.

Don Grogg made a motion that in moving forward the Board no longer consider a drain variance until a tile has been located per the Drainage Board policy, seconded by Mike Krehl, motion carried.

OZRO FREEMAN DRAIN NUMBER 175-00-0: Nate Frye stated that he handed out quotes for this drain, they did not do a 'formal' bidding process, and he solicited quotes as being less than \$75,000.00. Nate said that Gene Clifford had the low quote of \$26,225.00.

Mike Kline said that they were a little laxed in the past with trying to get things done quickly but they do need to make sure things are done properly and therefore, asked that the Board approve this and then he will put together a simple contract so the contractor can be held to certain conditions; Mike will then bring the contract to the Board for signatures.

Mike Krehl moved to approve Clifford Excavating with the low quote for the Ozro Freeman Drain Number 175-00-0 reconstruction in the amount of \$26,225.00, seconded by Don Grogg, motion carried.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

Randall J. Deetz, Chairman

Brenda F. Myers, Administrative Assistant