

**KOSCIUSKO COUNTY
DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING
JUNE 27, 2024**

PRESENT

CARY GRONINGER - CHAIRMAN
JIM SCOTT
DENNIS DARR
JOE IRWIN

ABSENT

STEVE METZGER

ALSO PRESENT

MIKE KISSINGER – SURVEYOR
SANDY ANGEL – DRAINAGE BOARD SECRETARY
AMY HURD – GIS TECHNICIAN

CARY GRONINGER – CHAIRMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

MAY CLAIMS AND MINUTES

JIM SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CLAIMS AND MINUTES FROM MAY AS PRESENTED SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL AUDITS. JOE IRWIN SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

DEEDS CREEK – PROJECT UPDATE

MIKE KISSINGER REVIEWED THAT THE PIKE LAKE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION HAD PAID FOR A STUDY ON DEEDS CREEK WHICH HAS SOME EROSION ISSUES. THE ASSOCIATION HAD REQUESTED ASSISTANCE WITH THE COST OF THE PROJECT. WHEN THIS WAS PREVIOUSLY BROUGHT TO THE DRAINAGE BOARD, IT WAS AGREED WE WOULD PAY \$40,000 OF THE \$200,000 PLUS PROJECT. MIKE CONTACTED THE PROJECT MANAGER AND THEY HAD NOT PUT THE PROJECT OUT FOR BIDS YET. NO CLAIMS HAVE BEEN PAID FOR THIS YET.

DANNER RECONSTRUCTION – BID RESULTS

MIKE KISSINGER SUBMITTED A REPORT ON THE BIDDING. FIVE CONTRACTORS ATTENDED THE PRE-BID MEETING AND THREE BID ON THE PROJECT. THE SURVEYOR'S ESTIMATE WAS \$104,840.01. WE HAD TWO BIDS UNDER THAT AND ONE OVER. L.I. EXCAVATING WAS SUBSTANTIALLY LOWER AND THE BID WAS AWARDED TO THEM. MIKE SAID HE CONTACTED L.I. EXCAVATING TO REVIEW THEIR BID TO MAKE SURE THEY WERE STILL COMFORTABLE WITH THAT BID AND THEY WERE.

DANNER RECONSTRUCTION – PROGRESS REPORT

MIKE KISSINGER SAID THEY HAVE STARTED THE PROJECT AND HAVE OVER 1,000 FEET OF THE 3,600 FEET IN. THE ONLY OVERAGE ENCOUNTERED SO FAR HAD BEEN THE NEED TO PUT SOCK ON THE SAND SLIT TILE DUE TO SOIL ISSUES. THE CONTRACTOR WILL NEED TO BE GIVEN ADDITIONAL PAYMENT FOR THE ADDITIONAL WORK NEEDED TO DO THIS SINCE IT WAS NOT IN THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE. HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE ABOUT FIFTY CENTS A FOOT. WE ARE DOING SOME REROUTING TO TAKE CARE OF AN EXISTING LOW AREA AND GAIN COVER. WE SHOULD COME IN BELOW THE SURVEYOR ESTIMATE AND ADVERTISED AMOUNT.

WHITLEY COUNTY/ULREY DRAIN – WAIVER OF RIGHTS

THE ULREY DRAIN IS 100% IN WHITLEY COUNTY. HOWEVER, THE WATERSHED DOES EXTEND INTO OUR COUNTY. WHITLEY COUNTY WOULD LIKE US TO WAIVE OUR RIGHTS TO THE ULREY. THEY ARE PROPOSING A RATE OF \$3 PER ACRE WITH A \$15 MINIMUM. JOE IRWIN MADE A MOTION TO WAIVE OUR RIGHTS. DENNIS DARR SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

SEDALIA WHITE/HEIGHWAY WORK ORDER

MIKE EXPLAINED WE HAD A HEARING ON THIS DRAIN IN APRIL. THE HEIGHWAY PROPERTY OWNERS COMPLAINED ABOUT THE DAMAGE THE WORK DID ON THEIR PROPERTY. THE BOARD HAD TOLD MIKE TO TAKE CARE OF THE PROBLEMS IN THE HEIGHWAY WOODS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IF THE WORK IS TO BE DONE, THE TILE IN THE FIELD EAST OF THE WOODS NEEDS TO BE REPLACED ALSO. WE ARE NOT CHANGING THE TILE SIZE, BUT WILL BE CHANGING THE DEPTH. HE ESTIMATES THE COST TO BE \$45,000. THIS WAS BASED ON THE ESTIMATE THAT L.I. EXCAVATING GAVE ON THE DANNER RECONSTRUCTION WHICH INCLUDED TILE, STONE AND INSTALLATION. MIKE SAID THAT THE COUNTY WOULD PURCHASE THE TILE AND STONE. IF YOU LOOK AT THE SEDALIA WHITE NUMBERS ON THE BALANCE SHEET, THEY DO REFLECT THE NEW RATES, BUT NOT THE NEW TOTAL COLLECTION. THE TOTAL COLLECTION WITH THE NEW RATES WILL BE ABOUT \$21,000 PER YEAR. IT WILL TAKE ABOUT A YEAR OF THE NEW COLLECTION TO TAKE CARE OF EXISTING DEBT, AND TWO MORE YEARS TO TAKE CARE OF THE DEBT FROM THIS PROJECT. MIKE PLANS TO GIVE THE HEIGHWAY FAMILY A MONTH TO GET ANY TREES OUT PRIOR TO WORK COMMENCING. JOE IRWIN ASKED IF THERE WAS OTHER WORK THAT NEEDED TO BE DONE ON THE SEDALIA WHITE. MIKE STATED THERE WAS SOME DEBRUSHING PLANNED. JIM SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO MOVE AHEAD WITH THE MAINTENANCE PROJECT USING L.I. EXCAVATING WITH A MAXIMUM OF \$45,000. IF THE COST EXCEEDS \$45,000, THE BOARD WILL READDRESS THE ISSUE. JOE IRWIN SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

BIERCE/SEAN KOOS VARIANCE

MIKE SAID WE HAD PREVIOUSLY GRANTED THIS 50' SET BACK FOR A SEPTIC SYSTEM REPAIR IN A SUBDIVISION. THE CONTRACTOR SAID HE FELT IT WOULD NEED TO BE 35'. MIKE SPOKE WITH NEAL IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND HE SAID THEY WOULD MAKE IT WORK WITH THE GRANTED 50'.

H.C. KELLY – CITY INTEREST IN TAKING OVER DRAIN

MIKE SAID THIS DRAIN IS EAST OF TOWN ON OLD 30. THERE IS A LARGE DEVELOPMENT PLANNED SOUTH OF 75 N AND NORTH OF OLD 30 AROUND CR 225 EAST. THIS DRAIN GOES THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT. THE DEVELOPER WOULD WANT TO INCORPORATE PONDS OVER THE TILE AND GREATLY REDUCE SET BACKS. THIS DRAIN WAS ORIGINALLY AN AGRICULTURAL DRAIN, AND THERE IS NOW NO AGRICULTURE GROUND DRAINING INTO IT. THE COUNTY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO GIVE THE DEVELOPER WHAT THEY WOULD WANT IN SETBACKS. MIKE WENT TO THE CITY AND ASKED IF THEY WANTED TO TAKE OVER THE DRAIN, AND THEY ARE RECEPTIVE TO IT. IF THE COUNTY WANTS TO ABANDON THIS DRAIN, A PETITION WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE AND ALL OF THE LANDOWNERS IN THE WATERSHED CONTACTED FOLLOWED BY A HEARING. IT WOULD NEED TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL. THE CITY PLANS TO CAMERA THE WHOLE DRAIN AND HAS BEEN GIVEN THE INFORMATION WE HAVE REGARDING MAINTENANCE ON IT. WE DO NOT CURRENTLY COLLECT ON THIS DRAIN AS THE BALANCE HAS EXCEEDED FOUR TIMES THE ANNUAL COLLECTION. THERE IS ABOUT \$53,000 IN THE FUND. IF IT IS ABANDONED, STATUTE SAYS THE FUNDS GO INTO GENERAL DRAIN. MIKE FEELS THAT IF THE CITY WANTS TO TAKE OVER THE DRAIN, THEY NEED TO TAKE OVER THE ENTIRE DRAIN AND NOT JUST PORTIONS OF IT.

ADJOURN

BEING OF NO FURTHER BUSINESS JOE IRWIN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. STEVE METZGER SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

CLAIMS

6/4/24

FLEUGLE	CORPORATE PAYMENT	\$199.98	1158
HANNA WALKER	CORPORATE PAYMENT	\$99.99	1158
BIERCE	TIMBER VALLEY	\$660.00	1158
DEEDS CREEK	TIMBER VALLEY	\$9,070.00	2700
DEEDS CREEK	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$1,655.58	2700
FLEUGLE	JJT HAULING & EXC	\$495.00	1158
FLUKE HANSEN	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$216.00	2700
FRED GILLIAM	TIMBER VALLEY	\$520.00	2700
GAY EASTERDAY	TIMBER VALLEY	\$850.00	2700
KOONTZ MARY	TIMBER VALLEY	\$1,970.00	1158
MILLER JB	KOPKEY MANURE MGMT	\$2,000.00	1158
MCCLAIN PETER	TIMBER VALLEY	\$780.00	2700
PETERSON MARTIN	KLINE TRUCKING	\$850.00	1158
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PLUNGE CREEK	TIMBER VALLEY	\$1,350.00	1158
PLUNGE CREEK	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$519.60	1158
SEDALIA WHITE	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$432.00	1158
SHATTO CATTELL	TIMBER VALLEY	\$1,820.00	1158
SHATTO CATTELL	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$458.40	1158
SILVEUS	KLINE TRUCKING	\$1,012.50	1158
SWICK MEREDITH	KLINE TRUCKING	\$3,378.75	2700
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VANCUREN	M KOLESIAK	\$14,822.50	2700
WALNUT CREEK	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$152.40	2700
WALNUT CREEK	WERTENBERGER TILING	\$1,380.00	2700
WYLAND	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$532.65	2700
WYLAND	TIMBER VALLEY	\$1,870.00	2700
WYLAND	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$94.80	2700

MAINTENANCE: \$ 38,012.68

GENERAL DRAIN: \$ 12,257.47

6/18/24

CAUFFMAN	M KOLESIAK	\$5,562.14	1158
		\$3,290.86	2700
CAUFFMAN	SHANKSTER BROS	\$101.85	1158
GAY EASTERDAY	SHANKSTER BROS	\$251.82	2700
NEFF OMAR JEFF	DRAINAGE SOLUTIONS	\$45.08	2700
NEFF OMAR JEFF	TIMBER VALLEY	\$1,350.00	2700
PLUNGE CREEK	SHANKSTER BROS	\$162.32	1158
SHATTO CATTELL	TIMBER VALLEY	\$6,645.00	1158
SHATTO CATTELL	WARSAW WHOLESAL	\$1,961.60	1158
SOLOMON SECHRIST	TIMBER VALLEY	\$780.00	2700
SOLOMON SECHRIST	BEECHY EXC	\$1,526.45	2700
SWICK MEREDITH	KLINE TRUCKING	\$630.00	2700

SWICK MEREDITH	SHANKSTER BROS	\$212.67	2700
WALNUT CREEK	SHANKSTER BROS	\$281.81	2700
WALNUT CREEK	TIMBER VALLEY	\$8775.00	2700

MAINTENANCE: \$ 17,143.69
GENERAL DRAIN: \$ 14,432.91

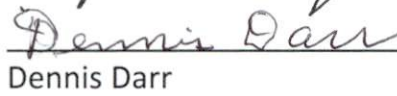
JUNE TOTALS

MAINTENANCE: \$ 55,156.37
GENERAL DRAIN: \$ 26,690.38

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD


Cary Groninger – Chairman


Jim Scott – Vice Chairman


Dennis Darr


Steve Metzger


Joe Irwin

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