

Drainage Board  
February 3, 2009 – 11:35 am

Meeting called to order by President Logsdon. Members Logsdon, Rininger, Gogel, Surveyor Herron and Attorney Robinson were present.

Minutes

01/06/2009 minutes; Rininger made a motion to approve the minutes. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Surveyor Report

Office Assist - Surveyor Herron stated that Elaine Jones has been splitting time between his office and the plan commission office. He said he could not have been able to get anything done if it was not for the help of Jones and Theresa Cail. He greatly appreciates the support they have given him. Logsdon asked Jones how the schedule is working out. She said it is very busy, but hopes it will get better. Herron stated that right now it is bad because of all of the cleaning and organizing that is needed.

Cornerstone Documents – Logsdon asked if Herron has located missing cornerstone books. Herron stated that Chamness has updated the cornerstone data in the past and had a couple of the books. Herron stated that he would like to make it a policy that books are not allowed to leave the Surveyor's Office. Attorney Robinson stated that as department head he can make that policy. Discussion was also had on locating cornerstones.

Equipment and Supplies – Herron discussed the problems he has had with missing software that was removed from the computer and the lack of office supplies. Office Supplies were not put in the 2009 budget by the prior surveyor, so a request for an additional has been sent to the council. Discussion was also had on a bill received from a computer repair store that cleaned the software off the computer.

Surveyor Vehicle

Logsdon stated that the Commissioners and the Highway Department have authorized Herron to use the 4-wheel truck owned by the Highway Department for a period of three months until a decision is made on what the surveyor should drive. Logsdon told Herron to keep track of personal mileage when he is in the county vehicle and work mileage when he is in his personal vehicle. Logsdon further clarified that mileage is paid for travel to and from a project site but not from home to the courthouse and back.

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Lake Drain Project

The Auditor's Office received two bids for the project on Lake Drain. The project will begin on SR 161, North of Richland on Lake Drain and moves East to Southeast ending approximately 1,550 feet at CR 500 N. The Surveyor's Estimate of the project is \$27,000.

Attorney Robinson opened and read the bids as follows:

Youngblood Farms, Inc.	\$23,316.00
K & K Dirtworks	\$23,780.00

Herron recommended awarding the bid to Youngblood Farms, Inc. Rininger made a motion to award the project to Youngblood Farms, Inc. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Logsdon complimented Herron on the preparation of the specs and he said the contractors also appreciated the detail in which they were done.

Anderson River

Logsdon reported that the Advisory Committee suggested that Anderson River be the next project. Logsdon asked Herron to make it a high priority.

Pigeon Creek

Herron reported that he spoke with the Warrick County Surveyor and they have worked out how work will be shared on Pigeon Creek. Herron will draw up the specs for half of the project and the Warrick County Surveyor will draw up specs on the other half. Both counties' contractors will be asked to bid on both projects. The total cost of the project will be split equally between Spencer and Warrick.

Hoople Drain

Herron reported that there are several beaver dams built on Hoople Drain near CR 450. Herron stated he thinks it will cost approximately \$1,500 to clean them out. Logsdon stated that since it is a legal drain Herron must first make sure that there is money available for the drain. Herron stated that he will not even look at a legal drain without first making sure there is money available.

Logsdon asked Robinson if it would be necessary to take bids on a project of that size. Robinson stated that it would not be required to take bids, but it would be a good idea to establish a policy as to what size the board will take bids.

Painter stated that Hoople is a high maintenance drain and it will probably need to be cleaned out every couple of years. Herron stated that he would wait until closer to spring so the beavers would not have a chance to rebuild.

Rininger made a motion to allow the surveyor to contract work needed on a legal drain without taking bids for projects up to \$2,000, if the money is available. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Gogel made a motion to adjourn. Rininger seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm.

Drainage Board,

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Attest:	
_____ Cindy Shelton, Auditor	_____

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