Wells County Drainage Board Minutes Monday-January 4, 2021 8:30 A.M.

The Wells County Drainage Board met in a regular scheduled meeting at the Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223W. Washington St., Multi-Purpose Room 105, (Lower Level), Bluffton, Indiana.

Drainage Board members present: Voting members Blake Gerber, Kevin Woodward, Tamara Robbins; Engineer Nate Rumschlag, Surveyor Jarrod Hahn, Secretary Diana Collins. Attorney Roy Johnson was absent.

Determination of Quorum:

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Re-Organize Wells County Drainage Board 2021:

Mr. Gerber turned the floor over to Mr. Hahn to re-organize the Wells County Drainage Board 2021 officers. Mr. Hahn mentioned the nominations are opened for a chairman and vice-chairman.

Dr. Robbins motioned to retain Blake Gerber as Chairman, Kevin Woodward as Vice Chairman, Roy Johnson as the Attorney, Diana Collins as secretary. Mr. Woodward 2nd and closed the nominations. Concurred by Mr. Gerber, motion carried 3-0.

Minutes:

Mr. Gerber opened the Drainage Board meeting with the first item on the agenda to approve the Board's regular meeting minutes on December 21, 2020.

Dr. Robbins motioned to approve the Drainage Board regular meeting minutes on December 21, 2020 as amended. Mr. Woodward 2^{nd} . Concurred by Mr. Gerber, motion carried 3-0.

Certify of 2021 Drains-Detail Listing Sheet:

Mr. Hahn provided a detailed listing sheet on the watersheds and their assessment amounts. Hahn noted the orange highlighted areas are drains that are either at or close to the 4 times the annual amount but has plans to use the funds in upcoming projects this year therefore remains to collect. Hahn also mentioned the yellow highlights are drains that the assessment collections are already turned off and will remain off.

Hahn mentioned the red highlight is to turn off the assessment collection on the Joint Flat Creek with no maintenance work scheduled to be done at this time. The green highlight is to turn on the Middaugh maintenance fund assessment as is under the 4 times and collects a small amount. Mr. Hahn also noted that all other drains not mentioned will remain on for collections for 2021.

Dr. Robbins motioned to turn off collections on the Joint Flat Creek watershed and turn on collections for the Middaugh Watershed for 2021 as recommended. Mr. Woodward 2^{nd} . Concurred by Mr. Gerber, motion carried 3-0.

Agreement for Termination of Escrow Agreement Signed:

Bee Creek Development LLP/Wells Co Drainage Board-Bunn Tile Drain:

Mr. Hahn mentioned that he appreciated Blake Gerber who had gotten signatures from Ossian Bank officer and Larry Heckber on the Agreement for Termination of Escrow Agreement document to release the funds to pay the contractor who has completed rerouting the Bunn tile project in Jefferson township, section 15, range 12E. Hahn noted the Escrow Agreement document was between Bee Creek Development LLP-The Bridges Subdivision and Wells Co Drainage Board who entered the Escrow agreement with the Bank of Ossian in 2012 to reroute the Bunn tile.

Adjournment:

Dr. Robbins motioned to adjourn the Drainage Board meeting at 8:47 a.m. Mr. Woodward 2^{nd} . Concurred by Mr. Gerber, motion carried 3-0.

Next regular scheduled Drainage Board meeting is Tuesday-January 19, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

Blake Gerber - Chairman

Kevin S. Woodward - Vice Chairman

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Tamara Robbins - Member WELLS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD