Wells County Drainage Board Minutes Monday - October 16, 2023 4:30 P.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, Michael K. Vanover, Jeff Stringer; Attorney Ted Storer, Engineer Nate Rumschlag, Surveyor Jarrod Hahn, Secretary Diana Collins.

Determination of Quorum:

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Minutes:

Mr. Gerber opened the Drainage Board meeting with the first item on the agenda to approve the Board's regular meeting minutes on October 2, 2023.

Mr. Vanover motioned to approve the Drainage Board regular meeting minutes on October 2, 2023 as submitted. Mr. Stringer  $2^{nd}$ . Concurred by Mr. Gerber motion carried 3-0.

Drainage Project Update:

Mr. Hahn mentioned there are no drainage projects to update as we are still waiting for crops to be harvested before a few projects begin, also noted the wet weather along with the moisture levels are too high both have slowed down the harvest. Hahn did mention there have been a few calls on tile repairs.

Drainage Task Force Update:

Mr. Hahn reported he attended the "Drainage Task Force" meeting last Wednesday as they mostly discussed flood zones, new lidar maps and using which maps. Mr. Gerber mentioned that he heard from landowners who did not receive their letter in time to go to the meeting. Hahn noted that FEMA was in charge of sending out the letter of notice who did not get them out in time. Hahn mentioned he had landowners either called him or come in the office 2 to 3 weeks after the meeting took place, and they said they just received the notice of being in a flood zone. Hahn noted he would be willing to talk to the landowners or they can call DNR Division of Water, to answer any of the questions they may have.

Adjournment:

 $\overline{\text{Mr. Vanover}}$  motioned to adjourn the Drainage Board regular meeting at 4:40 pm. Mr. Stringer  $2^{\text{nd}}$ . Concurred by Mr. Gerber motion carried 3-0.

Next regular scheduled Drainage Board meeting is Monday-November 6, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

Blake Gerber Chairman

Michael K Vanver - Vice Chairma

Jeff Stringer - Member WELLS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

ATTEST: Wina Collyn

WELLS DRAINAGE BOARD SECRETARY