Wells County Drainage Board Minutes Monday - December 19, 2022 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 Colin Andrews, 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 December 5, 2022.

Mr. Stringer motioned to approve the Drainage Board regular meeting minutes on December 5, 2022 as submitted. Mr. Vanover 2^{nd} . Concurred by Mr. Gerber, motion carried 3-0.

Project Update:

Mr. Hahn mentioned that he has no project update to report.

Detail Listing Sheet:

Mr. Gerber asked about the negative balances on the detail listing sheet mentioning the Bills Creek maintenance assessment has a negative balance and questions if this watershed assessment rate should be raised. Hahn noted that Bills Creek watershed has had a lot of upgrades on open and replacements of tile over the last decade. Hahn mentioned that Bills Creek drains the industrial area that is west of the City of Bluffton and has taken into account of the drainage as new businesses may come in that area. Hahn noted that Bills Creek was set up with two minimums, one being in City limits and the other is outside City limits. Hahn believes that maybe the residents in City limits felt they already had stormwater sewer to help with drainage and that may have taken into consideration when setting up the assessment rate. Hahn mentioned those rates was set long before he was in office and probably should be look at.

200S Road Project Drainage:

Mr. Hahn mentioned he was asked by Commissioner Jeff Stringer to look into the drainage outlet on county road 200S project drainage in Harrison Township. Hahn has completed his drainage report and will send out the report to all Drainage Board members.

Adjournment:

Mr. Vanover motioned to adjourn the Drainage Board meeting at 4:40 p.m. Mr. Stringer 2nd. Concurred by Mr. Gerber, motion carried 3-0.

Next regular scheduled Drainage Board meeting is Tuesday-January 3, 2023.

Blake Gerber - Chairman

Flora Statistics

Michael K. Varover - Vice Chairman

Jeff Stringer - Member WELLS COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

ATTEST:

Diana L. Collins

WELLS DRAINAGE BOARD SECRETARY