

FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING  
FOR JULY 11<sup>TH</sup> 2022

The Fulton County Drainage Board met on Monday, July, 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 in the Conference Room of the Fulton County Office Building at 9:00 A.M. The Following were in attendance: President Dave Sommers, Vice Chairman Rick Ranstead, Commissioner Bryan Lewis, Surveyor Seth White, Drainage Board Secretary Lacey Holloway, and Attorney Hollie Shorter- Pifer. Public Attendance: Glen Smith, Kathy Easterday.

**RE: GLEN SMITH - #506 WAGONER SCHULER DITCH**

Glen stated, "Last fall the ditch had water and basically there was an acre and a half of water just lying there and it finally went away in a hurry like something was plugging it up somewhere and since I am retired I am wanting to clean it up through there." Phil Eber put the other ditch in and Glen thinks he done it in the late 80's early 90's and he never tied any of the laterals in, so Glen had a contractor come out and look at it because he wants to tie some laterals into it. There is a riser out that and he is not sure if something has plugged that up but maybe the Surveyor office could run a camera down through there to see if it is plugged up before we spend a lot of money out of the account. Glen states, "He has tried for years to get something done about this ditch and the neighbors will fight him ever time and get lawyers and such, and I am the lowest point of this ditch." Seth states, "We can get R&R to run the camera but he knows they are not cheap, we can get Larry James to come with his locator and see if he runs into anything while trying to locate the tile." Glen states, "There were some old structures that were replaced underneath the railroad, we have had two petitions and both have been turned down and the price just keeps going up every time." Seth states, "We should call R&R and see at least what the pricing is for the camera." Commissioner Brian Lewis looked up the pricing for R&R camera and states, "\$1200 min and includes up to 1000 feet and is a \$1.20 extra a foot after that." Rick states, "That is a pretty good deal that would be the way to go running a camera through it and we will know exactly what was going on." Glen asks, "If I am going to do the laterals then how do I go about that?" Seth states, "You can do that however you want just make sure you don't break the tile down." Glen asked Seth if he thinks that will help and Seth replied, "If the main tile is working well then yes but if the main tile is plugged up then it will not help." Commissioner's all agreed to get R&R to run a camera through and Glen stated he has his own contractor to go out to meet with R&R. Brian states, "run the camera clear to the other side of State road 25." Glen stated, "I am going to have Branden Justice do the digging."

**RE: KATHY EASTERDAY- SPLIT PARCELS ON INDIAN CREEK**

There is a parcel that is on Indian Creek the first year it was billed the owners paid the first bill and then it was sold and now it has been split and there is now two parcels so she needs to recalculate so each owner gets their bill. So she asked, "Do I back it up like it is new or do I calculate in the penalties and the interest that are accrued on it?" Kathy jumped on the auditor's office a little bit for them not notifying her that these parcels were split. The new owners have not paid last years and they just brought this to Kathy's attention this year that they shouldn't have to pay all of it since it was split. Commissioner's agreed to bill it like it was a new bill and not to put the penalties and interest on there.

**RE: JIM GATES QUOTE**

There is a low spot on Jim Gates ground and he has asked Mitchel Tam to put new tile in and Mitchel has come to us being a county tile to see what he can and can't do. Mitch called Seth a couple weeks ago and Seth called Craig Douglas from FRATCO and was questioning him to see the difference between smooth core tile and regular tile is it just suture? He replied, "Smooth core has a flat bottom and instead of the ridge it will flow better." He said, "A lot of counties are going to the flex core because you can get them in rolls as 680 foot roll use a tile machine and you're done." The other tile you would not need to run a tiling machine just need an excavator to lay that type of tile. Seth asks Hollie, "Is there any statute that states we have to meet Astro approval ASTM approval?" Hollie replied, "She would have to look that up but she does not believe that there is." Mitch states, "Gates is willing to sign something for the County to save money if we used regular 8" tile with sock it is \$3.00 a foot and if there is any structural damage it would be on Gates expense down the road." Seth states if we did it with the flex core it would take 1 year to pay it off and bring account to positive if you did it with the normal you are still \$3,000 positive in the account and will not be negative going negative. If there is going to be structural damage it's going to be on the low ground. Mitchel is going to hug the west side for cover and run private laterals down so the main is not going to go down the low ground. Commissioners agree on Mitchel putting in the regular tile.

**RE SKIDMORE 7<sup>TH</sup> ADDITION**

Private survey Seth is working on this is on Wabash Ave on the West side of the road. Landowner wants to divide this into 5 equal lots. Brian stated, "If you slope the lot then the drainage would be better." Commissioners make a motion to approve the drainage plan motion passes 3-0.

**RE: SET HEARING FOR COLLINS DITCH ARM #4**

Jeff Grube came in to surveyor's office this week and petitioned to put the Collins ditch arm #4 on maintenance. We need to set a hearing for this. Jeff has ground and his parents have a lot of ground being in the water shed. Hearing is set for September 12<sup>th</sup> 2022 @ 9:15 a.m.

**RE: SET HEARING FOR GRUBE #550 RAISE MAINTENANCE**

Hearing is set for September 12<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 9:30 a.m. to raise maintenance from \$1.25 per acre to \$ 3.50 per acre. The Grube ditch starts up at Rochester Township into Liberty Township. Ditch has \$10,000 in account currently bringing in \$1.25 per acre. It would be \$40,000 to clean this ditch as of right now with a \$1.00 a foot so we if we go to \$3.50 per acre it will bring in \$15,000 a year. That would put it at \$26,000 after one year. Commissioners agreed to set up hearing to raise maintenance to \$3.50 per acre.

**RE: MINNOW & MILL CREEK**

Rick asked Hollie, "What's your thoughts on the Minnow and Mill Creek have you heard anything from Andy or anyone. Seth stated, "On Minnow Surveyors office went out and helped set the pipes and we need to encourage the city to at least clean starting at the fairgrounds to 3<sup>rd</sup> street and a couple hundred feet upstream, otherwise the pipe is going to fill up with sediment. Rick asked, "How much it would cost to clean pipes so they don't plug up?" Seth Stated it would be 2400 feet and you have trees to remove so it

would all have to be hauled off. We would need roughly around \$10,000 to clean it.” Rick states, “ We need to have a conversation with the city and we would be willing to work with them.” Seth stated, “If we work with them then we have to figure out where the funds are coming from?” Rick sated, “Maybe we can have them come to the next meeting and discuss what we need to have done and agree on something.”

**RE: MINUTES**

Commissioners made a motion to accept the minutes from June 13<sup>th</sup> 2022 meeting passes 3-0.

**CLAIMS**

- \$750.00 Hollie Shorter- Pifer
- \$ 23.46 Treasure- postage
- \$199.99 Quill
- \$96.05 Quill
- \$1570.80 Prairie Marsh – Joe Leasure Ditch 1<sup>st</sup> spray
- \$1933.68 Prairie Marsh- King Ditch 1<sup>st</sup> spray
- \$29.99- Quill
- \$2375.91 Kolesiak Excavating
- \$910.00 – Boyne’s Critter Control
- \$1166.36 Prairie Marsh – Hudkins final spray
- \$5153.56 Prairie Marsh- Grube Ditch final Spray

**ADJOURNMENT**

**FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD**

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Surveyor

ATTEST: Lacey Holloway, Drainage Board Secretary

(A CD of the meeting is available in the Surveyor’s Office)