

FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING
FOR JANUARY 9TH 2023

The Fulton County Drainage Board met on Monday January, 9th 2023 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 Secretary Lacey Holloway and Attorney Hollie Shorter- Pifer. Public Attendance: Jacob Riffle, Brent Merley, Kris Fear, and Kerry Fear.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RE: NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT OF DRAINAGE BOARD

Rick Ranstead nominates Dave Sommer and Bryan Lewis Seconds. Passes 2-0.

Bryan Lewis makes a motion to nominate Rick Ranstead as Vice Chairman of drainage board, Dave Sommers seconds that motion. Passes 2-0. Rick Ranstead makes a motion to nominate Hollie Shorter-Pifer as Attorney for the drainage board contract is \$10,000.00, Bryan Lewis and Dave Sommers agrees. Passes 3-0. Rick Ranstead makes a motion to nominate Lacey Holloway as the recording drainage board secretary, Bryan Lewis and Dave Sommers agrees. Passes 3-0.

RE: CHARLES HARTER TILE

Tile is one of record its not on maintenance so the county is limited on what they can do to try and help out in this situation of the tile needing fixed. It is the Riffles believe that the tile was damaged when Merley's patterned ditched the field where that tile is at. According to the patterned ditch map they crossed that tile ditch several times and they want to drain that water off of the Sriver farm. The Tile was original put in back in 1895. Kris Fear stated that the tile drawn in on the GIS is not even close to where its supposed to be at. Merleys gave Riffle permission to go back and look at the tile to the ditch. They put their tile finder in that whole and then went as far as they could go. Fear's state that the way the tile is drawn in is incorrect. There is a main that comes from Harter ground across Fites and it would have been the very East tile. At the time when they fix all of this the tile was replaced new. Riffle is not saying that Sriver's Is farmable Lake City bank just wants that water gone which is the executor to the Sriver estate and they are using Kyle as their mediator and wanting that water gone. Our limitation is we could use our one- time payment of \$1500 but that is not going to get us very far on fixing the problem. Dave asked if it should be set up on maintenance? Seth responded that it would need to be petitioned first to be set up on maintenance. Jacob Riffle said the tile we are talking about is on a slant, so how do you go about petitioning to put it on maintenance when you don't really know where it is. Seth would go out and get GPS spots of the tile and then re-draw it back onto the GIS. Fear's raised cattle on this ground and it has never been farmed. Merley stated, "That Shancksters where coming out to look at the tile." Riffle believes that Sriver's should not have to pay for that damage. Rick states, where we are standing it that Shancksters are going to come out and look at it and then we will go from there. Seth states, "If the tile is damaged by the contractor then in his opinion the contractor should be responsible to fix it, if we are going to spend the one-time payment of \$1500 then we would only be fixing the trees." In conclusion, Shancksters will come look at it and let Merley know what they find and then Merley's will get back with us and let us know and then we will proceed from there.

RE: DRAINAGE PLAN – 510 W. 8th STREET

They would like to drain into the ditch. Code says must maintain your own water, but with the ditch being open and a couple hundred feet away we could put a stipulation to meet our code to where if Minnow Creek starts flooding that they would be responsible to put in an underground water storage at that point. Motion was made by Rick Ranstead to approve this with the stipulation included, motion was approved 3-0.

RE: COLLINS BRANCH #3 TO ARM #4 (CLEANING /GRUBES)

State road 14 Jeff Grube came in and asked if we could clean this. This one was just set up on maintenance so we will start collecting on this 2023. The ditch itself a contractor could do this with a mini excavator. There are some trees down in this ditch, Seth did not see any actual dam just obstructions including: trees, cinder blocks etc. Question is can we do maintenance on this ditch without having money in account since we are just starting to collect on it this year. Contractor is going to have to remove a few trees to get down in there. \$10.00 per acre with 283 acres it would bring in \$2,800.00 a year. Estimated maintenance cost to have a contractor come in with a mini excavator this year would probably be \$3,000 to \$5,000. Seth would like contractor to go as far as possible until they hit the mucky part and then be done. Rick doesn't have a problem doing this as long as the money doesn't go over the amount of a couple year cost. Seth is going to get ahold of Larry James and see what his quote would be to do the work on this.

RE: JIM STRAETTER

AJ Haimbaugh tile #551 Jim called last fall and Courteney and Seth went out last fall and they shot with the GPS everything they saw on that tile. Their results Seth sent back to Jim through e-mail. Riser are higher elevation than the rest. Jim sent a picture of the riser and said on the phone 600 feet off of the one on the fence line. Courteney and Seth were at 1000 ft. Seth took everything off of the outlet pipe. Seth is not sure why water is just laying in that tile and why it is almost clear full. So, Seth and Courteney are going to go back out to see if they missed an outlet pipe that is 600 ft away. Seth's question is if the one he has shots on can he expose it and dig it up and see what's going on. This tile is on maintenance and it does have \$10,000 in the account. If its still holding water than there is an issue in between the two. That's just a heads up and we will check it out further.

RE: SET HEARING DATES

#657 EB Collins – J.R. Kline Open- set up on maintenance. Watershed stops at 900 W. Petition was made to put on maintenance so county can get a contractor in and do work. Second ditch is #843 Brugh & Braman ditch which is not on maintenance this is going to be petitioned starting at 900 W. to be set up on maintenance to get a contractor out and get work done.

There are enough acres in the watershed to be set up on maintenance. Todd Kline and Jason Young both signed the petitions.

Hearing is set for Feb. 13, 2023 @ 9:30 a.m. for the #657 EB Collins \$2.25 per acre for maintenance currently account has \$15,000.

Hearing Set for Feb. 13, 2023 @ 9:35 a.m. for the #843 Brugh & Braman \$2.25 per acre for maintenance. Motion was made to approve. Passed 3-0.

MINUTES-

**January 2023 minutes- Approved 3-0.
Emergency meeting minutes- approved 2-0.**

CLAIMS:

Field Excavating - #636 Walsh O Brian \$28,900
Legal Consultant- \$833.33 new rate
Boyne's Critter Control- #768 Little Yellow \$1735.00
Field Excavating- #600 Overmyer Ditch \$5280.00
Field Excavating- #676 Starr Ditch \$600.00
Rochester Sentinel \$4.20
Fulton County Treasurer Postage \$41.61
Overmyer Excavating 85% payment #627 Daniel Terry Open \$10,710.00
Boyne's Critter Control – Beaver Trapping #806 Collins \$635.00
Tam Excavating- #734 Mckessey Ditch \$6233.00
Right Of Way – Half of 40% payment for Spray \$480.82
Right Of Way- Half of 40% Payment for Spray on # 704 McMahan ditch \$1,293.40
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on #638 Ditch \$722.52
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 631 Travers ditch \$1,168.52
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 627 Daniel Terry \$492.83
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 686 Overmyer \$396.40
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 596 Nelson \$554.82
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 587 Eli Miller Arm #1 \$284.77
Post Office 6 rolls of stamps \$360.00
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 808 Mastellar \$388.70
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 756 Eddy creek \$398.41
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 819 Sara Werner \$365.60
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 769 Eddy Creek \$436.19
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 806 Collins \$3,516.26
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 776 Austin Blue \$552.59
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 586 Eli Miller \$986.11
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 581 Cliff Mcgee \$948.91
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 523 Peter Busenberg \$1,197.58
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 732 Jones Rouch \$748.39
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 714 Willow Creek \$2,039.58
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 692 Bair & Patridge \$177.79
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 670 Robbins & Walters \$1,851.12
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 543 Gast Arm #4 \$246.86
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 545 Graham Ditch \$1,631.91
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 585 Mikesell & Mahoney \$705.41
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 601 Nathan Pontius \$573.11
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 525 David Clevenger \$499.90
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 521 Ammon Bucher \$2,380.20
Right Of Way- Balance Due for Mudd Creek Ditch #723 Sprays \$ 2,249.28
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 655 Smith- Peterson \$1,331.31
Right Of Way- Half of 40% payment for Spray on # 657 Collins & Kline \$564.19

**ADJOURNMENT
FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD**

Surveyor

ATTEST: Lacey Holloway, Drainage Board Secretary

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