

May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. Members present were James Lucas, Mark Wiesehan, Fred Harrison, Drew Markel. Also present was Daniel Blann, County Surveyor, Travis Thompson, Board Attorney, Brad McPike, Board Secretary. Mr. McPike kept minutes. Mr. Harrison made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting with no corrections. Mr. Wiesehan seconds the motion. The March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting minutes were approved 4 "yes" votes.

Mr. Blann introduced Jeff Lazzell, AECOM Engineer for the reroute project of State Road 135 at the old state highway garage on Near US 50. Mr. Lazzell presented handouts for the project. Mr. Lazzell then brought the board up to date on the proposed reroute, how it would be built with a 10 foot by 6 foot box culvert for rainwater runoff of 285 acres. Mr. Lucas then stated that relieving flood waters at this point would decrease significantly if this project were to be built. Mr. Lazzell stated his firm did not have to account for river flood waters. A group of people with concerns spoke against the design.

Mr. Blann told the board about Indian Creek Drainage Unit, and how it is a private group that collects funds and maintains the drains. Mr. Blann said this is known to the board as the Laraway Drain and Branch. Mr. Thompson asked how the private group was established and how money was collected. The board was informed that the rates were applied by linear feet of ditch was on a property. Mr. Thompson wants to see if the Indian Creek Board or Mr. Blann could find any documents stating the agreements.

Mr. Lucas opened and read the bids for the 2017 Cleaning Project #5. Mr. Harrison made a motion to turn over the bids to the surveyor to check the calculations and return to the next board meeting to be voted on. Mr. Markel seconds the motion. Motion carries 4 "yes" votes.

Mr. Lucas opened and read the bids for the 2017 Cleaning Project #6. Mr. Harrison made a motion to turn over the bids to the surveyor to check the calculations and return to the next board meeting to be voted on. Mr. Wiesehan seconds the motion. Motion carries 4 "yes" votes.

Mr. Blann presented an account summery of the drainage funds.

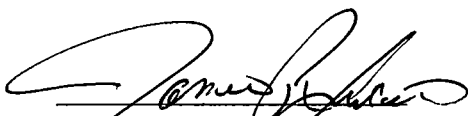
Mr. Blann stated Cleaning Projects #3 and #4 are complete.

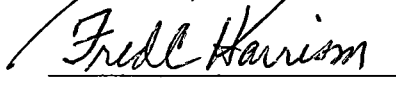
Mr. Blann presented the board with information on what the Auditor shows as the current rates and minimums. The Rockford Unit is noted as not having a minimum fee. Mr. Blann also presented the board with calculations showing different rates and minimums applied to the Rockford Drainage Unit. Mr. Blann read how the board can have hearings to adjust the rates. The board wants Mr. Blann to workup an example of rates by type of use for the Rockford Drainage Unit.

Mr. Blann informed the board that the county commissioners were putting a plan together to put a silt basin in on the North side of Vallonia. Mr. Blann stated this would help relieve the sand build up in the legal drains.

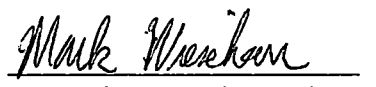
Mr. Markel made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Wiesehan seconds the motion. Motion carried 4 "yes" votes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

  
James Lucas, Chairman

  
Fred Harrison

  
Drew Markel

  
Mark Wiesehan, Vice-Chairman

Ray Redicker

  
Brad McPike, Secretary