

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE CLINTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JANUARY 7, 2025
AT 10:15A.M.

PRESENT:
Brett Todd
Tammy Sander

PRESENT:
Jordan Brewer, President
Bert Weaver, Vice President
Kevin Myers, Member
Thomas F. Little, Attorney
Daniel D. Sheets, Surveyor
Zachary J. Light, Secretary

Clinton County Surveyor Daniel D. Sheets called the meeting to order.

REORGANIZATION OF THE DRAINAGE BOARD: Mr. Sheets called for a motion to appoint a Drainage Board President. Mr. Weaver made a motion to appoint Mr. Brewer as President of the Drainage Board, seconded by Mr. Myers. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Brewer called for a motion to appoint a Vice President. Mr. Myers made a motion to appoint Mr. Weaver as Vice President of the Drainage Board, seconded by Mr. Brewer. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Brewer then called for a motion to appoint a Drainage Board Attorney. Mr. Weaver made a motion to appoint Thomas Little as Drainage Board Attorney, seconded by Mr. Myers. Motion carried 3-0. Finally, Mr. Brewer called for a motion to appoint a Drainage Board Secretary. Mr. Weaver made motion to appoint Zachary Light as Drainage Board Secretary, seconded by Mr. Myers. Motion carried 3-0.

JOINT DRAINAGE BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

BIG CICERO CREEK JOINT DRAINAGE BOARD- Mr. Weaver made a motion to appoint Mr. Brewer to the Big Cicero Creek Joint Drainage Board, seconded by Mr. Myers. Motion carried 3-0.

McLAUGHLIN JOINT DRAINAGE BOARD- Mr. Weaver made a motion to appoint Mr. Myers to the McLaughlin Joint Drainage Board, seconded by Mr. Brewer. Motion carried 3-0.

JOHN HOFFMAN JOINT DRAINAGE BOARD- Mr. Weaver made a motion to appoint Mr. Myers to the John Hoffman Joint Drainage Board, seconded by Mr. Brewer. Motion carried 3-0.

APPROVE MINUTES: Mr. Weaver made a motion approve the minutes from the December 18, 2024 Drainage Board meeting, seconded by Mr. Brewer. Motion carried 2-0. Mr. Myers abstained.

FULL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT – JORDAN BREWER: Mr. Light presented the disclosure statement and stated that the purpose of this document is to disclose that Mr. Brewer's father is a contractor for the Drainage Board/Surveyor's Office, and that Mr. Brewer is an employee of the business and not an owner. Mr. Weaver made a motion to approve the document, seconded by Mr. Myers. Motion carried 2-0. Mr. Brewer abstained. Mr. Brewer then signed the disclosure statement. The document is on file in the Surveyor's Office.

AMOS-PARIS-FLOYD WATERSHED – AMOS-PARIS DITCH CLEANOUT PROPOSALS: Mr. Sheets informed the Board that Scott Campbell of Total Seed Production has requested that we perform a ditch cleanout project on the Amos-Paris Open Ditch, south of County Road 100 N and east of County Road 1300 E, in Section 1, T21N, R2E, Johnson Township. Mr. Sheets stated that this section of the open ditch was cleaned out approximately ten years ago, but that it has silted back in significantly, causing tile outlets to become obstructed.



Mr. Sheets then provided the Board with proposals that were submitted by Redman Excavating and Xtreme Excavating.

Redman Excavating
5911 N 400 W
Sharpsville, IN 46068
765 438 7701
redmanexcavating@comcast.net
redmanexcavating.com

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DEC 13 2024
SURVEYOR

REDMAN
EXCAVATING

ADDRESS
Amos Paris Open Ditch Cleanout

Estimate 2256

DATE 12/13/2024

PROJECT
Amos Paris Open Ditch Cleanout

DATE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
	Cut & Dredge			
	Cut & Remove Trees, burn & bury debris, Treat Stumps, Dip Flowline & Spread Spoils	4,300	3.90	16,770.00
	Lateral Connection			
	Lateral Connection installed, priced per each	0	175.00	0.00
TOTAL				\$16,770.00

Accepted By _____ Accepted Date _____

Zack Light

From: Craig Newcom <cnewcom@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 23, 2024 10:03 AM
To: Zack Light
Subject: RE: Request for Proposals - Amos & Paris Open Ditch Cleanout

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Estimate

Amos Paris Ditch

Dredge, level spoils and clear trees off east and south bank.
4300ft @ 3.75 = \$16125.00

All work to be done from east side.

Thank you
Craig Newcom
Xtreme Excavating LLC
7658603114

On Dec 13, 2024 12:54 PM, Zack Light <zlight@clintonco.com> wrote:

Good afternoon Craig,

I think you can work from either side. It's my understanding that even in the area around the pit the trees have been removed for the most part, but you might be best to work from the east side in that area. Other than that, I think either side is fine.

-Zack

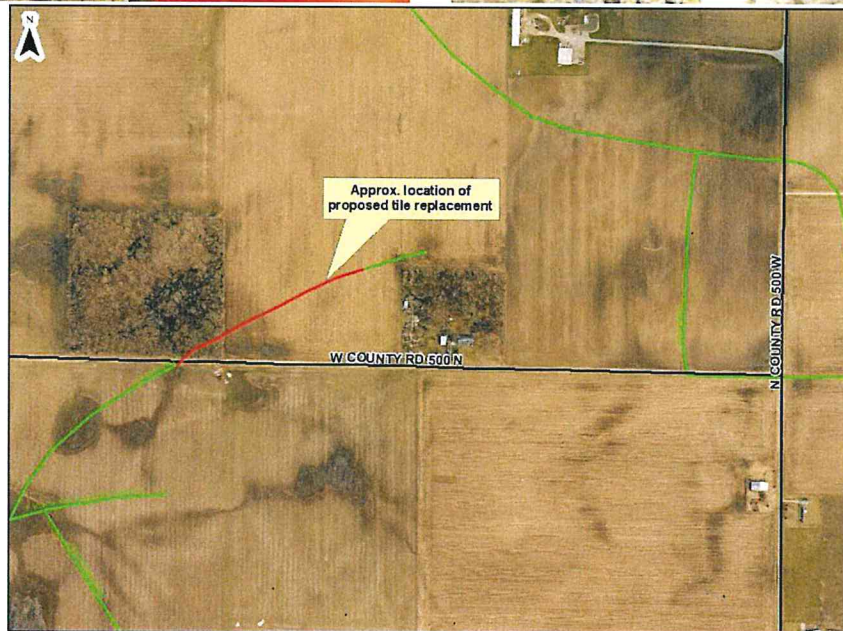
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Mr. Sheets stated that the two proposals are very competitive and reasonable. Mr. Sheets then stated that the issue with performing this cleanout project is that the current balance of the Amos-Paris-Floyd Watershed is \$1,335.27. Mr. Sheets further stated that the annual assessment for the watershed is

\$9,075.08. Mr. Sheets informed the Board that we could fund the project out of the GDIF, wait a year or two to let the balance build up, or rely on the landowner to cost share on the project. Mr. Sheets stated that he mentioned the idea of a cost share to Mr. Campbell, but has not heard back yet. Mr. Brewer stated that he has an issue with using only maintenance funds to clean out the ditch because the farming practices utilized have caused the ditch to silt in much sooner than it should have. Mr. Sheets agreed with Mr. Brewer. Mr. Sheets stated that the Board could require that Mr. Campbell leave grass filter strips between the ditch and his fields. Mr. Sheets further stated that Hamilton County requires filter strips along their regulated open ditches. Mr. Weaver asked how wide the filter strips would need to be. Mr. Sheets and Mr. Brewer agreed that twenty-five feet would be sufficient. After some discussion the Board agreed to offer Mr. Campbell a 50/50 cost share in cleaning out the ditch with no filter strips. Mr. Sheets stated that he will take the plan to Mr. Campbell and report back.

PETER KUHNS WATERSHED – PETER KUHNS BRANCH #1 TILE REPLACEMENT

PROPOSALS: Mr. Sheets informed the Board that while connecting the perimeter drain for a new septic system to Branch #1 of the Peter Kuhns tile, excavating contractor Ethan Ladd (ESL Enterprises LLC) found that at some point approximately 1000' of the legal drain had been replaced with 10" single wall plastic pipe. Mr. Sheets stated that the pipe was installed incorrectly and is now collapsing and filling with dirt.



Mr. Sheets stated that the landowner (Mohler) has requested that we consider replacing this section of pipe. Mr. Sheets further stated that he asked ESL to submit a proposal for the tile replacement. Mr. Sheets then provided the proposal.

ESTIMATE ESL Enterprises LLC 7124 North County Road 500 West Mulberry, IN 46058		eslentl@gmail.com +1 (765) 202-2757		RECEIVED DEC 19 2024 SURVEYOR		
Bill to Clinton County Surveyor		Ship to Clinton County Surveyor				
Estimate details Estimate no.: 1019 Estimate date: 12/19/2024		P.O. Number: P-Kuhns Main Replacement Bid Sales Rep: Ethan Ladd				
#	Date	Product or service	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
1.	12/19/2024	10" DW Perforated	Pipe Installed	1000	\$15.00	\$15,000.00
					Total	\$15,000.00
Note to customer Replacement would start on the south side of the road. Price includes road cut, riser on south side of the road, connections, and grass seed. - Solid DW will be ran through the woods.						

Mr. Sheets stated this is the only proposal we have requested so far, and we can get more if the Board would like. Mr. Sheets then stated that the current balance of the Peter Kuhns Watershed is -\$3,063.57 and the annual assessment is \$2,771.73. Mr. Brewer asked Mr. Sheets for a plan. Mr. Sheets stated that the Board could take out a short-term loan to complete the project, borrow from the GDIF, or wait a few years to try to build up a balance closer to being able to complete the project. Mr. Sheets further stated that there will be other tile problems in the watershed that will require repair. After some discussion the Board and Mr. Sheets agreed that while the tile does need to be replaced soon, it does not rise to the level of an emergency replacement that would handicap the watershed for the next several years. The Board decided to wait a few years to build up a balance in the watershed account before replacing the tile.

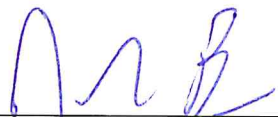
MENDENHALL & ASSOCIATES GRANT WRITING: Mr. Sheets informed the Board that since the State Road 28 corridor is now part of the City of Frankfort it may be easier to get USDA grants for drainage projects in the area. Mr. Sheets stated that since the county no longer has a grant writer he would like the Board's approval to reach out to Mendenhall & Associates, a firm he was referred to by a member of the Hamilton County Drainage Board. Mr. Sheets then stated that the A. Stinson tile, east of Banderas Point will need to be replaced before any additional development can be considered. Mr. Brewer made a motion to authorize Mr. Sheets to contact Mendenhall & Associates, seconded by Mr. Weaver. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Sheets stated that he will reach out.

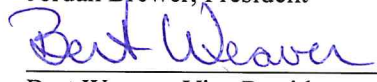
HOUSE ENROLLED ACT NO. 1167 – LIVE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION: Mr. Sheets informed the Board that he made an executive decision this morning not to live stream this Drainage Board meeting, but as of July 1, 2025 we will be required to do so because of HEA 1167. Mr. Sheets then recommended waiting until we move into the new annex building before we start live streaming. The Board agreed.

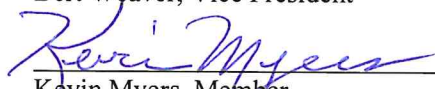
Clinton County Drainage Board President Jordan Brewer adjourned the meeting.

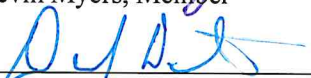

Zachary J. Light, Secretary

Attest:


Jordan Brewer, President


Bert Weaver, Vice President


Kevin Myers, Member


Daniel D. Sheets, Surveyor