

**Minutes of the Meeting
of the Clark County Drainage Board
Clark County, Indiana**

June 16, 2020

The Clark County Drainage Board met in Regular Session on June 16, 2020 in Room 418 of the Clark County Government Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana at 5:00pm. Present at the meeting were President Mike Killen, Vice president Jack Coffman, Ex-officio non-voting member Clark County Surveyor David Blankenbeker, non-voting advisor Clark County Engineer Brian Dixon, attorney Ron Culler, and secretary Talaina Taff. Member Tim Hunt was absent.

For the first order of business, Mr. Coffman moved to accept the minutes of the May 19, 2020 meeting as submitted. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, during public comment, **John Huter, 2004 Poindexter Lane, Sellersburg**, expressed concern regarding Waters of Millan downstream runoff. Mr. Dixon reported that drainage measures are in place and working properly at Waters of Millan. The Board took no action.

In the next order of business, the Board reviewed the drainage complaint from **Joan Bencomo – 3401 Naples Way, Sellersburg** regarding drainage in Section One of Waters of Millan. Mr. Dixon gave a report stating that he met with her on site and everything is built according to plan and appears to be working according to plan. Mr. Dixon also said he spoke with Mr. Corbett and Mr. Corbett said he removed a grate that was causing problems on the detention pond and since then there have not been any issues. Mr. Coffman moved that upon recommendation from County engineer, Mr. Dixon, the Board take no further action. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, the Board reviewed the drainage complaints from **Columbus Lake Estates – 12102 Columbus Mann Road, Sellersburg – 12303 Pinta Place, Sellersburg – 12302 Pinta Place, Sellersburg – 12305 Santa Maria Drive, Sellersburg**. **Bonnie Breger**, acting president of the Homeowner's Association, presented the complaints to the Board. Mr. Dixon reported that 12102 Columbus Mann Road is a private property / HOA issue. The issue is not related to drainage or in a right-of-way. Next, Mr. Dixon reported that the culvert behind 12303 Pinta Place (crossing Columbus Mann Road) is structurally sound but that some of the riprap may have been washed away. He will have the Highway department address the riprap issue. Next, Mr. Dixon reported that 12302 Pinta Place issue is related to a detention/retention pond on private property and as such, the HOA needs to maintain it. Next, Mr. Dixon reported that 12305 Santa Maria Drive has a catch basin next to the mailbox and he will instruct the County highway superintendent to check the catch basins in the area to make sure they are put in correctly and make any necessary adjustments. In accordance with Mr. Dixon's reports and recommendations, Mr. Coffman moved that **12102 Columbus Mann Road** and **12302 Pinta Place** be referred to the Columbus Lake Estates Homeowner's Association and that **12303 Pinta Place** and **12305 Santa Maria Drive** be referred to the County Highway department. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, the Board reviewed the drainage complaint from **Carlos & Diana Rivera – 8527 County Road 403, Charlestown**. Mr. Dixon reported that he spoke with Mr. Rivera twice on the phone and once in person. County Road 403 is within the County Highway's jurisdiction, however, that is not where the issue lies. Mr. Dixon reported that the Rivera property is within the City of Charlestown. As such, Mr. Coffman moved that Mr. Rivera be referred to the City of Charlestown's Public Works who has jurisdiction of this property. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Culler will send a letter to the City of Charlestown Public Works in regards to this matter.

In the next order of business, the Board reviewed the complaint from **Jeffrey Bays & Vixen Brumback - 4803 Highway 3, Otisco**. Mr. Bays reported that Mr. Dixon visited his property and he took Mr. Dixon's advice to contact the neighboring property owner James Woods. Mr. Woods said he would remove the boulders blocking the culvert. Mr. Coffman moved that the issue be tabled pending further action of the removal of the obstruction to the water course drain by the adjoining property owner, James Woods. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, the Board reviewed the complaint from **Donald Jackson – 2806 Bartle Knob Road, Borden**. Mr. Dixon reported that previously he contacted DNR and IDEM and had permits in place to install gabion baskets to reduce erosion. To do so, he needed permission from Mr. Jackson to be on his property. Mr. Jackson denied permission. Mr. Coffman moved that since this was already referred to the highway department last year at which time Mr. Dixon was very cordial and came up with a solution to the problem and Mr. Jackson refused to allow access to his property, that the Board take no further action. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, the Board reviewed the complaint from **Stacey Murphy – 15021 Silver Plains Trace, Memphis**. Casey Colbert (same address) attended the meeting via ZOOM to represent Ms. Murphy. Mr. Dixon reported that he met with Ms. Colbert at the property. After discussion, it was determined to be a private property issue. Mr. Blankenbeker offered that he and Mr. Dixon could meet with Ms. Colbert and/or Mr. Murphy to discuss options and offer technical help, but that the issue/solution would ultimately be the responsibility of the homeowners. Mr. Coffman moved that the Board take no action due to this being a private property issue. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, Kevin Taff with Blankenbeker & Son Land Surveyors held further discussion with the Board regarding downstream drainage at Waters of Millan. Mr. Taff said that Mr. Corbett showed him a picture of the dam constructed to slow down runoff and sediment. Mr. Dixon reported that he had been to the property about two weeks ago before the dam was built and there was murky water in the creek. He was there again about one week ago after a storm event and after the dam was built and there was less water and it was also less murky. He was there again yesterday around the area of Mr. Huter's property on Poindexter Lane. On the upstream side of the culvert, there was almost no water in the creek. On the downstream side, there was water about 6" deep and he could see the bottom of the creek. Mr. Dixon reported that he is assuming the water now is staying pretty clear. He also said he would contact the site representative and instruct him to get some grass or vegetation growing on the downstream side of the dam. Mr. Taff agreed that the dam needs to be stabilized with cover.

In the next order of business, the Board reviewed the complaint from **Kenneth Graf – 9311 Highway 60, Sellersburg** regarding downstream runoff from Waters of Millan. Mr. Dixon reported that the issue is satisfactory. Mr. Coffman moved that the Board take no action. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, the Board reviewed a previous drainage complaint from **Vivian Allen-Baer – 2316 Gutford Road, Clarksville**. Mr. Dixon reported that he has a meeting set up with Ms. Baer Thursday, June 18, 2020. Mr. Coffman moved that the issue be tabled pending meeting with Mr. Dixon. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, the Board discussed the **Qk4 contract**. Mr. Coffman moved to table the contract until the July 21, 2020 meeting to allow Mr. Culler and Mr. Rob Huckaby to create a final draft. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, Ms. Taff presented the Drainage Board budget report. Mr. Dixon added that we recently submitted the 2021 Drainage Board budget, and that we requested similar funds as last year including funds to cover an MS4 coordinator. Mr. Coffman moved to approve the Drainage Board budget report as submitted. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

In the next order of business, Mr. Coffman moved to approve the claims as submitted. Mr. Killen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The claims were as follows:

- **Mike Killen - \$50.00 – June CCDB meeting**
- **Talaina Taff - \$1250.00 – June salary**

There being no further business before the Board, on motion made, seconded, and passed, the meeting was adjourned at 6:14pm.

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Jack Coffman, Vice President