# KOSCIUSKO/NOBLE COUNTY JOINT DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING AUGUST 24, 2023 10:15 A.M.

### **PRESENT:**

CRAIG CULTICE – CHAIRMAN – MARSHALL COUNTY SURVEYOR
GARY TIMMERMAN – VICE CHAIRMAN – NOBLE COUNTY COMMISSIONER
ANITA HESS – NOBLE COUNTY COMMISSIONER
CARY GRONINGER –KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COMMISSIONER
STEVE METZGER – KOSCIUSKO COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEMBER

## ALSO, PRESENT:

MIKE KISSINGER – KOSCIUSKO COUNTY SURVEYOR

MARK MONTEL – KOSCIUSKO COUNTY DRAINAGE SUPERVISOR

KRISTA BAKER – DRAINAGE BOARD SECRETARY

RANDY SEXTON - NOBLE COUNTY SURVEYOR

MICHAEL KISSINGER -- KOSCIUSKO COUNTY SURVEYOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AND THANKED ALL OF THE NOBLE AND KOSCIUSKO REPRESENTATIVES FOR SERVING ON THE JOINT BOARD.

KISSINGER INTRODUCED CRAIG CULTICE – MARSHALL COUNTY SURVEYOR WHO IS VOLUNTEERING TO BE THE 5<sup>TH</sup> BOARD MEMBER. ANITA HESS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE CRAIG CULTICE AS THE 5<sup>TH</sup> BOARD MEMBER. GARY TIMMERMAN SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR. AT THIS TIME, CRAIG CULTICE TOOK HIS SEAT AT THE TABLE.

CULTICE ASKED THE BOARD TO MAKE A NOMINATION FOR A VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE JOINT BOARD. ANITA HESS NOMINATED GARY TIMMERMAN AS THE VICE CHAIRMAN. CRAIG CULTICE SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

KISSINGER INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE JOINT BOARD MEETING WAS TO CONFIRM AND APPROVE THE DITCH ROUTE FOR NOBLE COUNTY AND ALSO ADD A TRIBUTARY TO THE TURKEY CREEK SYSTEM. KOSCIUSKO COUNTY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ADD A TRIBUTARY TO THE TURKEY CREEK SYSTEM.

TURKEY CREEK WAS SET UP FOR MAINTENANCE COLLECTION IN 2013 AFTER A JOINT BOARD MEETING. THE FIRST COLLECTION WAS IN 2014. DURING THAT JOINT BOARD MEETING, THE BOARD DID NOT SET UP A DEFINITE ROUTE FOR NOBLE COUNTY. THE CURRENT RATE IS \$0.10 PER ACRE WITH A \$5.00 MINIMUM.

KISSINGER INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE TRIBUTARY IN KOSCIUSKO COUNTY NEEDS DEBRUSHING. THE ESTIMATE IS \$15,000 - \$18,000 TO DEBRUSH THIS AREA. SEXTON SAID THE TRIBUTARY THAT NOBLE COUNTY WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO THE TURKEY CREEK SYSTEM WAS IN REASONABLE SHAPE. SEXTON SAID HIS MAIN CONCERN WAS SOME LOGJAMS THAT NEED TO BE REMOVED IN THE AREA OF THE LAKES. HE BELIEVES REMOVING THE LOGJAMS WILL HELP WITH THE WATER FLOW.

KISSINGER TOLD THE BOARD THAT HE AND SEXTON HAVE DEFINED THE ROUTE AND WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO CONFIRM AND APPROVE THE ROUTE. CARY GRONINGER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ACCEPT THE TRIBUTARIES INTO THE TURKEY CREEK

SYSTEM PER THE LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS THAT WERE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY SURVEYOR OF THOSE DRAINS. (3500 FEET IN KOSCIUSKO COUNTY AND 16,806 FEET IN NOBLE COUNTY) ANITA HESS SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

# **ADJOURN:**

BEING OF NO FURTHER BUSINESS, CARY GRONINGER MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. GARY TIMMERMAN SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

# KOSCIUSKO/NOBLE JOINT COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

Craig Cultice – Chairman – Marshall

County Surveyor

Cary Groninger – Kosquusko County

Steve Metzger – Kosciusko County

Gary Timmerman – Vice Chairman -

**Noble County** 

Anita Hess - Noble County