

**KOSCIUSKO COUNTY
DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2023**

PRESENT:

CARY GRONINGER – CHAIRMAN
JIM SCOTT – VICE CHAIRMAN
DENNIS DARR
JOE IRWIN
STEVE METZGER

ALSO, PRESENT:

MIKE KISSINGER – SURVEYOR
MARK MONTEL – DRAINAGE SUPERVISOR
KRISTA BAKER – DRAINAGE BOARD SECRETARY

CARY GRONINGER – CHAIRMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

CLAIMS AND MINUTES:

JOE IRWIN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CLAIMS AND MINUTES FROM JANUARY AS PRESENTED SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL AUDITS. DENNIS DARR SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

SWICK MEREDITH COST SHARE PROJECT:

KISSINGER PRESENTED THE BOARD WITH A COPY OF THE WORKORDER AND THE INVOICES FOR THE COSTSHARE PROJECT. THERE WAS A MEETING AND AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LANDOWNERS THAT THE COUNTY WOULD FURNISH THE TILE FOR A PORTION OF THE PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,647.00. THE TILE INVOICE WAS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,858.75. THE LANDOWNERS EXTENDED THE TILE FURTHER AND WERE INQUIRING WHETHER THE DRAINAGE BOARD WOULD PAY FOR ANY OF THE EXTRA TILE FROM THAT INVOICE. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, THE BOARD SAID THAT THEY WOULD ONLY PAY THE PREVIOUSLY AGREED UPON AMOUNT.

ISAAC SHOEMAKER DRAIN 25% INCREASE DISCUSSION:

THE LAST HEARING ON THIS DRAIN WAS APRIL 2011. THIS DRAIN IS NEARLY 1.75 YEARS IN DEBT TO THE GENERAL DRAIN. WE HAVE A WORKORDER THAT HAS BEEN ISSUED TO REPAIR SOME HOLES ON THIS DRAIN ALTHOUGH THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR THE REPAIRS LEADING TO A STRETCH OF 300 FEET +/- THAT WILL NEED REPLACED. THIS DRAIN CONSISTS OF APPROXIMATELY 8600 FEET OF OPEN DITCH AND 11,000 FEET OF TILE. JOE IRWIN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE 25% INCREASE. JIM SCOTT SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

ENOCH FELKNER/TURKEY CREEK DISCUSSION:

THE TOWN OF MILFORD CONTACTED KISSINGER FOR HELP WITH THE ENOCH FELKNER DRAIN. THIS DRAIN IS A COUNTY REGULATED DRAIN THAT DOES NOT COLLECT A MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT AND IS ALSO AN ARM OF TURKEY CREEK. THIS DRAIN COULD BE TAKEN INTO THE TURKEY CREEK SYSTEM AS THE LANDOWNERS ALREADY PAY AN ASSESSMENT ON TURKEY CREEK. THE TOWN HAS REQUESTED THE DRAIN BE TAKEN INTO THE TURKEY CREEK SYSTEM FROM THE OUTLET TO OLD STATE ROAD 15. THEY HAVE NO FUNDS OR WAY TO MAINTAIN THIS DRAIN. THERE ARE SOME TREES THAT NEED REMOVED. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, JOE IRWIN MADE A MOTION TO HAVE THE SURVEYOR'S OFFICE DETERMINE THE COST THAT WOULD BE INCURRED FOR BRUSHING

AND DIPPING THE PORTION OF THE ENOCH FELKNER DRAIN FROM OLD STATE ROAD 15 TO THE OUTLET AT TURKEY CREEK BEFORE MAKING A DECISION TO ACCEPT IT INTO THE TURKEY CREEK SYSTEM. STEVE METZGER SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

TURKEY CREEK QUOTE DISCUSSION:

KISSINGER INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE COUNTY IS ALMOST TO THE LAST STRETCH OF TURKEY CREEK THAT NEEDS TO BE DEBRUSHED AND DEADFALLS REMOVED. THIS LAST STRETCH IS APPROXIMATELY 7400 FEET. THE SURVEYOR’S OFFICE ASKED SIX CONTRACTORS TO QUOTE ON THIS PORTION OF THE DRAIN. WE RECEIVED THREE QUOTES.

JJC EXCAVATING - \$111,000.00
BEAVER EXCAVATING - \$109,500.00
KOLESIK CONSTRUCTION & EXC - \$35,520.00

A REPORT OF THE BIDS WAS SENT TO ALL CONTRACTORS WITH THE RESULTS. KOLESIK WITHDREW THEIR QUOTE AS THEY HAD MADE A MISTAKE.

AFTER MUCH DISCUSSION, THE BOARD DECIDED TO REJECT ALL QUOTES DUE TO BEING SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER THAN THE ESTIMATE OF THE SURVEYOR’S OFFICE (\$70,000 - \$80,000). THE JOB WILL BE RE-ISSUED WITH A DIFFERENT COMPLETION DATE. STEVE METZGER MADE A MOTION TO REJECT THE QUOTES AND RESEND THE SPECS WITH A NEW COMPLETION DATE. JOE IRWIN SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

OTHER BUSINESS:

CROWS NEST:

GRONINGER THANKED KISSINGER FOR HIS EFFORTS ON A PROJECT AT CROWS NEST THAT THE COMMISSIONERS NEEDED SOME HELP WITH A SOLUTION.

ADJOURN:

BEING OF NO FURTHER BUSINESS, DENNIS DARR MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. JOE IRWIN SECONDED THE MOTION AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

CLAIMS:

2/14/2023

ACHOR CARLES	GARY DANT	\$210.00	2700
BIERCE	GARY DANT	\$330.00	2700
BOCKMAN	WERTENBERGER TILING	\$300.00	1158
DANNER	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$725.00	2700
DEEDS CREEK	GARY DANT	\$60.00	2700
DEEDS CREEK	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$2057.50	2700
HALL ISAAC	HAMBY & SON EXC	\$3600.00	2700
HALL ISAAC	TIMBER VALLEY CLEARING	\$5450.00	2700
LECKRONE NELSON	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$5177.00	2700
PLUNGE CREEK	SHANKSTER BROS	\$1125.96	1158
POLK GEORGE	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$559.00	2700
SWICK MEREDITH	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$702.50	2700
WALNUT CREEK	GARY DANT	\$120.00	2700
WALNUT CREEK	KOLESIK CONSTRUCTION	\$23975.00	2700
WESTLAKE FETTERS	GARY DANT	\$720.00	2700

TOTALS:
MAINTENANCE: \$43,686.00
GENERAL DRAIN: \$1,425.96

2/28/2023

DORSEY MILTON	KOLESIAC CONSTRUCTION	\$4610.40	2700
DORSEY MILTON	KOLESIAC CONSTRUCTION	\$9539.60	1158
GAY EASTERDAY	DRAINAGE SOLUTIONS	\$288.30	2700
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GAY EASTERDAY	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$951.50	2700
GAY EASTERDAY	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$394.00	2700
GAY EASTERDAY	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$5300.00	2700
HOOPENGARNER	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$1176.05	2700
KINNEY	KLINE TRUCKING & EXC	\$168.00	2700
LECKRONE NELSON	HAMBY & SON EXC	\$875.00	2700
NICKLER ARM	BEECHY EXCAVATING	\$1710.00	2700
PETERSON	TIMBER VALLEY CLEARING	\$783.05	2700
PETERSON	TIMBER VALLEY CLEARING	\$116.95	1158
PETERSON	TIMBER VALLEY CLEARING	\$450.00	2700
PETERSON	TIMBER VALLEY CLEARING	\$1575.00	2700
SWICK MEREDITH	SHANKSTER BROS	\$130.81	2700
SWICK MEREDITH	SHANKSTER BROS	\$9858.75	2700

TOTALS:
MAINTENANCE: \$29,298.59
GENERAL DRAIN: \$9,656.55

FEBRUARY TOTALS:
MAINTENANCE: \$72,984.59
GENERAL DRAIN: \$11,082.51

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

Cary Groninger – Chairman

Jim Scott – Vice Chairman

Dennis Darr

Steve Metzger

Joe Irwin