

LaGrange County Drainage Board Minutes
Commissioner's Room – 1st Floor County Office Building

The regular session of the LaGrange County Drainage Board was called to order by Larry Miller at 9:15 AM on April 18, 2016.

Those Present Were:

Larry Miller, President
Terry Martin, Vice President
Kevin Myers, Member
Rex Pranger, Surveyor
Sherri Lewis, Secretary to the Board

Agenda:

Terry Martin moved to accept the agenda with flexibility. Kevin Myers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes:

Terry Martin moved to accept the minutes from the March 21, 2016 meeting. Kevin Myers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

***Oliver Lake Association:** Pat Wiltshire, who represents the Association, wants to hydraulically dredge the sediment from Colwell Ditch #12 aka Dove Creek, on the North side of Oliver Lake. The project would cost approximately \$120,000. They have received a LARE grant for \$96,000 and they have available funds of \$15,000, they request that the LaGrange County Drainage Board help pay the remaining amount of \$9,000. On May 4th Doug Nusbaum of the DNR is having a meeting with potential contractors and bids should be submitted within 2 weeks. Terry Martin requested that the bids be reviewed at the May Drainage Board meeting. The Board also requested that Rex Pranger provide funding options from the maintenance fund. The sediment from this project would be relocated to O'Dell & Mary LaMarr's property at 0365 E 450 S.

***JJ Charles Ditch #28:** Landowners have requested some maintenance work and dipping the ditch. Work would begin in the NE quarter of section 23 and NW quarter of section 24 up to the North end of the ditch. There is money in the Maintenance Fund for this work. No motion was made at this meeting. Elmer's Excavating will be doing the work.

***Blackman Lake Tile:** Property owners have submitted a petition to establish a new tile and Rex Pranger has verified those owners and determined the benefitted acres. To create a new drain/tile, 2 public hearings must be held. The first hearing would be held June 20th and is to determine if the petition is in order to construct this drain and if the Drainage Board wants to establish a new drain/tile. The second hearing would determine the benefits and who pays and how much they pay and to establish the start and stop of the drain/tile.

***Ramer #126:** The Highway Dept. wants the ditch dipped to improve the 200 W – 700 S intersections. There is no money in the maintenance fund, so Rex Pranger asked the Drainage Board if they were open to advancing funds to this project. The Board agreed that work needed to be done, but no motion was made at this meeting.

***Nathaniel Jay Miller:** Mr. Miller requests permission to construct a ditch crossing of the Eli Miller Ditch #29 at his property, 1640 W 350 S, LaGrange. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the request. Kevin Myers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***Glen Lehman:** Mr. Lehman requested to amend his previous permission to construct a building within a 75' R.O.W. from 62' from the top of the ditch bank to 50'. Kevin Myers made a motion to approve the amendment. Terry Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PROJECT REPORT:

***Blough ML Tile #91:** Property owners want to start work on the north side of the road 700 S.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

Adjourn:

Kevin Myers motioned to close the drainage board meeting for Monday, April 18, 2016. Terry Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Miller, President

Terry Martin, Vice President

Kevin Myers, Member