

# Randolph County Drainage Board

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## Present:

Michael D. Wickersham, Chairman  
Gary Friend, Vice Chairman  
Gary L. Girton, Member  
Edwin L. Thornburg, Surveyor  
Meeks Cockerill, Drainage Board Attorney  
Casey Keener, Drainage Board Secretary

## Minutes for October 2, 2023

Mike Wickersham calls the Drainage board meeting to order. The first item on the agenda is to Approve the Minutes for our Monday, Sept 5, 2023 Meeting. We received these via E-mail, are there any additions, corrections, or deletions to those minutes. Gary Girton makes a motion to except the minutes as presented. Gary Friend seconds, Motion is approved. Motion Carries.

Mike states that the next item on the agenda is the Surveyors report. Ed Says basically the biggest thing that we have got done in the last couple of weeks was we have got the open ditch cut that connects to the former Peterson pond on to the golf course property. Its not finished yet we have to deal with the culvert that the city is planning on putting in under 40 South. I'm going to go take a look at it later. The other thing is that I was ask by Tom Chalfant if we could schedule a meeting for the third Monday to discuss the storm water plan for his sub-division. Mike ask if everyone's good to meet on 10/16/2023? Everyone is good with that so Mike say we will make that happen. Mike says has a question on opening up the county road 40 South to the pond. How many public drains run into that? Ed says that is the public drain. It was actually

vacated, when the golf course was built they vacated a bunch of drains in that area, the legal process for repairing that would doing the work and access it to all the land owners involved. That is all the people on that drain, so the same people would have paid for it had it not been vacated. Mike ask if there is water coming in from the west? Ed says he is unsure if there are any laterals coming through there. I will have to find out for sure when I talk to the contractors. Mike says I guess what I'm getting at is Mark Todd told me that there is some backflow, there is one drain coming in around 40 S that is lower than what is up by the pond. Ed says that ditch actually ran backwards 200 ft. Mike ask if it still does. Ed says well the new ditch, is an open ditch and is on grade and below that tile. Mike said so did that correct it. Ed says well that water outlet is under water anyway. The water in that open ditch will be the same as the pond. Water can go into the ditch under water, nobody likes it but it works. Mike say so what we are going to do is going to improve it. Ed says yes its not going to cure it all but is going to improve it. Mike says that the pond should be deeper. Ed says the reason that it isn't deeper is because they got into sugar sand and which is what drains that pond. That started a 5-year fight at the time and know it's changed hands, Mike say we have the south end handled. Willow's Edge is all done. Ed says yes but we still have to run that lateral across there parking lot at the elevator for an overflow. I met the contractor out there last Friday.

Next is Stormwater Site Plan for River start IV for a substation in the Parker City area. Here to present is Brad Dilger from EDP. Brad say we have made progress on Riverstart IV and that is the next phase in Riverstart solar project for completion in end of 2025 and in order to ease some of the issues that have from past projects we are learning where there are slow downs and the substations are one of the so we are trying to get started on that early. The timing of this fall is favorable by American electrical power who owns the overhead in that area. That is why we are trying to move forward so we can have this area of the project cleared. So it is just north of 300 S., is an 11 acre parcel that part of which we have to transfer to AEP for there permanent facility's for

the switch yard there. What we have provided are plans from our contactor as well as from AEP's contractor to showing that stormwater management. We had spoke to one concerned neighbor about the stormwater runoff and tile in the area so we ate working on a plan with Retter Excavation to mitigate that and there are existing tiles through the eastern parcel and we actually pressuring how to tie into that or clear it or replacing it if necessary, we want Mr. Fulk to be clear of any potential issues there, the last thing we want is to create him with an issue. Ed say I have looked at the sit plan and the storm water report, I believe that it looks good, I recommend this plan. There is some discussion about the plan. Gary Friend makes a motion to approve the plan, Gary Girton seconds. Motion approved. Motion Carries.

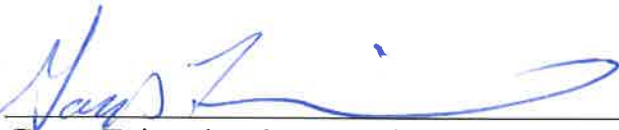
Gary Friend makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Girton seconds, motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Signed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023 in the Randolph County Commissioners Room, Winchester Indiana.



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Michael D. Wickersham, Chairman



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Edwin L. Thornburg, County Surveyor