

Motion to approve minutes of 10/26/20 Chris Ross motions to table minutes until next meeting due to the length, 2nd Kevin Nigh, vote 3/0.

Lakeview Estates: Jeff Hornung, has been a resident of the area for about 33 years, he and another resident, Jeff Stephens, are here regarding drainage issues in the addition. Mr. Hornung states back in the 90's the residents of Lakeview Estates worked with the county to create a retention pond and a voluntary HOA that maintains the area around the pond. He states this is now a legal drain and has solved most all the drainage issues in the area at the time. They are now having some new issues; there's a lot of algae in the lake and a dry hydrant in the pond (for fire fighters to use in the area) is no longer usable due to the low water level and silt build up. Mr. Hornung is requesting to use some of the maintenance money to dredge out the pond to possibly solve these issues. David Mohr of Mohr Drainage has come out to look at the issues and provide some guidance. There is approximately \$16,000 in the maintenance account but must keep \$4,000 balance. Mr. Hornung states they are here today since it is a county drain and wants to know if maintenance, treatment, or dredging can be done. Chris Ross has discussed with Mr. Hornung, the possibility of having the fire department backflushing the hydrant as dredging can be very expensive and not sure if that would solve the issue. They only have approximately \$1,000 from HOA dues, most of which goes towards insurance and taxes. Chris Ross recommends looking into a pond management company as they would come check on it on a regular basis to help control algae and other issues. Mr. Hornung is concerned about the safety issue of the algae most, as it is very slick and has a steep bank. There is a fine line since the area is owned by the Lakeview Estates, but a legal drain goes through it. The county is responsible for the legal drain, but someone will need to verify if the lake itself is county's responsibility. If the needed work is expensive, the maintenance fee may need to be temporarily raised to cover cost. Mr. Hornung states there are also some areas with sinkholes and would like to have those evaluated to see if there is any issue with the drain itself. Don Parker asks if the pond ever dries up, Mr. Hornung states he has never seen it completely dry. The drainage board recommends starting by reaching out to Lyle Lepper, Moral township trustee, to have a backflush done on hydrant. Don recommends contacting USI Consultants to see if they would look at the pond to give an expert opinion and offer services for the work needed. Mr. Stephens feels digging the pond deeper would help manage the sediment and algae. Mr. Hornung states in the beginning some residents had safety concerns so it was probably dug not as deep in the beginning as it should have been. Liability insurance is carried by the HOA. Someone in the audience wonders if there is a way to create a water container deeper underground just for the hydrant. Mr. Stephens is concerned with the talk of an engineering company; 2 topographical surveys have been done in the past which cost approximately \$17,000 and came out of the maintenance fund. Kevin Nigh advises USI will only do what they're instructed to and Taylor will get USI a copy of the past survey to make sure they use that and don't do a new one. The property owners are going to look at their tax statements to see if a maintenance fee is currently collected. Chris Ross makes a motion to contact USI Consultants to have them evaluate the issues, 2nd Kevin Nigh, vote 3/0. Mr. Hornung and Chris Ross will contact Lyle Lepper about the backflushing. Chris Ross recommends waiting until after USI assesses the issue to look into treating the pond, but he will contact a company to get pricing.

Clendenning Ditch: Taylor Sumerford, county surveyor, has staked out the ditch and says it looks pretty good except the West end. Taylor would like to ask Dave or Brian Mohr to do the work as they have worked on the ditch a lot in the past and are very familiar with the area. Kevin Nigh makes a motion that Taylor contacts Mohr Drainage to get a price for the installation of a tile across this ditch, 2nd Chris Ross, vote 3/0.

Joshua Mohr Ditch: Taylor Sumerford, county surveyor, states the ditch has been dipped out in the past but more work is needed. Chris Everhart, a resident of the area, requests that he be the one to complete the work as he has the equipment needed. The drainage board discusses a price of approximately \$1 per foot. Chris Ross, makes a motion to contact Chris Everhart regarding getting an estimate to dip the ditch more and as long as price is similar to what was paid in the past, he can be hired, 2nd Kevin Nigh, vote 3/0.

Gibson Ditch: Don Parker asks Taylor to check with Smooth Stone about this work again.

Adjourn.

Don Parker, President

Chris Ross, Vice President

Kevin Nigh, Member