

DRAINAGE BOARD MINUTES**February 10, 2025****ALL MEMBERS PRESENT**

Motion to approve minutes from 1/13/2025 & 1/27/2025 made by Jason Able, 2nd Nathan Runnebohm, approved 3/0.

Ditch Assessments: Jeff Powell, County Surveyor, provides the Drainage Board a proposed ditch assessment list for 2025. Since the last discussion he has recommended removing the Smithland Tile and Meiks Addition. The Smithland Tile was \$30.00 per acre and \$30.00 minimum for 5 years. The Meiks Addition was \$20.00 per acre and a \$50.00 minimum for 4 years. The Henry Gordon was also discussed about being removed as well. The Henry Gordon runs south by the sewer treatment plant in Morristown, the current balance is \$41,341.75 and is assessed at \$5.00 an acre with a \$7.50 minimum. He is unaware of any immediate need for maintenance on this drain. There is also some discussion about removing the Glessner Ditch and Hankins Drain. The Glessner Ditch is an open ditch that comes up around Clearview addition and has a current balance of \$49,844.88. The city of Shelbyville is the only one who pays toward this ditch. Mr. Powell is undecided at this time whether it should remain on assessment, he has been in contact with the City of Shelbyville. The Hankins Drain is also one the City of Shelbyville pays on, it is located near the airport and casino. The current balance is \$64,263.63 and Mr. Powell is currently undecided whether it should remain on assessment. The drainage assessment list must be in to the Auditor's office by the middle of March. The Drainage Board has agreed to go ahead and remove the Smithland Tile and Meiks Addition. They will revisit the Glessner Ditch and Hankins Tile at the next meeting. The Drainage Board also discusses some drains shared with neighboring counties. The Sidney Branch is in Bartholomew County and has been requested to be collected on again. The Nelson Plummer Drain is in Rush County, the Columbus Jackson Drain and the Thomas Miller of Hancock County. Mr. Powell states in the past the Maude Nave Tile is one that we would collect from other counties in the past but we have not had the need to do that within the last 1-2 years. Nathan Runnebohm would like to know if all issues have been taken care of on the Meiks Tile. Mr. Powell was going look into this and follow up at the next meeting.

Michigan Rd. & Brandywine Rd: Jason Abel asks for an update regarding the property previously discussed at the corner of Michigan Rd. & Brandywine Rd. Jeff Powell states the site plan has almost gone through every department, the Health Department requested an existing septic system be located and should be finished soon. The property owner, Nathan Stickford, does need to put in a waterway and the detention area.

Jason Abel motions to postpone the final drainage assessment list at this time, Nathan Runnebohm seconds with the stipulation that it is prepared in time for the Auditor, approved 3/0.

Adjourn.