

Drainage Board met in their regular meeting place in the Rush County courthouse on March 26, 2012 at 9:45 a.m. with the following present: Ken Masters & Marvin Cole, members; Leigh Morning, Drainage Board attorney; Marvin L. Rees, Surveyor; Michele Gordon, secretary. T.H. Barnes was absent. Also present were Warren Norris and Bruce Levi representing the County Council.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by motion of Masters, with a 2nd by Cole.

NANCY & WALTER B HILL TILE

The Surveyor reported to the Board on work that was completed on this tile and also stated that more work would be needed.

WALTER B HILL TILE

Landowners within this watershed have stated they believe there is land within Henry County that drains to the tile and is not being assessed. The Surveyor believes this may be the case and will be investigating this issue.

WM GLENDENNING TILE

The Foley's have stated problems they are having with their basement tile and asked that the county tile be checked to determine if it is functioning properly. A breather was replaced and the tile was determined to be working properly.

GEORGE YOUNG DRAIN

The Surveyor, after speaking with the NRCS office, recommended to the Board that this drain be vacated. He presented his report and asked that a hearing date be set. A motion was made by Masters, with a 2nd by Cole, to set the hearing for May 7, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.

LOANS

The Auditor presented checks received from the banks for endorsement by the Drainage Board.

BLOUNT/FLETCHER DRAIN

Paperwork has been submitted to Henry County for permission to cross their roads. While the Surveyor was communicating with the Highway Commissioner he was told that Henry County does not pay drainage assessments on road right-of-way. The Henry County Highway Department has 16.2 acres of their right-of-way that are a part of this watershed. The Surveyor feels that the Board should have been notified at the time of the hearing if Henry County had any questions about their assessment. Henry County will be billed for their assessment.

Pritchett's Backhoe Service has completed the open drain portion of this project except for burning and burying the brush. This will be taken care of after the crops have been harvested this fall. A motion was made by Masters, with a 2nd by Cole, to withhold 10% of the contract price until the brush has been burned and buried. Motion carried.

TILE QUALITY

The Surveyor has spoken with ADS and Fratco about both virgin material tile and recycled material tile. The price varies at any given time on the two different type of tile. Fratco Tile Company only sells virgin material tile unless the customer requests otherwise. Masters stated that he feels the best possible tile needs to be used on county projects to help insure longevity of the tile. He then made a motion that Rush County only use virgin material tile when performing a reconstruction project. Cole gave a 2nd and the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion to adjourn was made by Masters, with a 2nd by Cole. Motion carried.

Marvin L. Cole

Ken Masters