## Drainage District #37 Meeting of Private Trustees 10:00 a.m. August 18, 2023 Clay County Administration Board Room

The August 18, 2023 meeting of the Drainage District #37 Trustees was called to order by Chairman Allen McGranahan at 10:00 a.m. in the Clay County Administration Board Room.

In attendance in person were trustees Allen McGranahan and Bill Gerdeman; clerk Connie Swan; guests Leonard Langner and Dave Wyatt. In attendance by phone were Rod Dillard (for a portion of the meeting) and guests Luke Langner, Linda Carter and Steve Swan.

The minutes of the July 18, 2023 meeting were approved as presented and will be posted on the pickerelrun.com website.

The following bills were presented:

- Jacobson-Westergard & Associates, LLC \$406.25 Engineering services from July 1, 2023 through July 31, 2023 for project management, contractor coordination, bond update, and discussion on reclassification.
- Reutzel Excavating, Inc. \$269,655.75 Progress billing for tree clearing, constructing access lanes, culverts, seeding and fertilizing, and mobilization.

It was clarified that the project is estimated to be 40% completed. Bill moved to approve both bills. Second by Allen. Motion carried.

Business continued from previous meeting:

## **Repair Project Update**

- 1. The trees that were in the ditch have been piled on the banks. They will be burned as soon as it is possible where appropriate, with the intent of minimizing crop damage. If necessary, a second burn will be done, and/or what is left will be buried. Rod asked that the Dickens Fire Department be notified of when and where burns are to be done. Collin will email a detailed schedule.
- 2. The contract specifies that seeding must be done on completed portions before progress payments are made, but it does not specify how/if the seed is to be incorporated. Seeding has been completed by hand using a waterway mix from Albert Lee Seed Company. Portions that have been seeded should have benefited by the gentle rain that fell afterward.

## **New Business**

Summit Carbon Solutions is in the planning stages of a CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline project that would affect DD#37. This will be discussed more at future meetings.

## **Comments from Landowners:**

Steve Swan indicated that brush has been treated along the north side of the creek on the Crouse property, and the south side will be completed in upcoming weeks.

Bill moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Allen. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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