

Drainage District #37 Meeting of Private Trustees  
10:00 a.m. September 11, 2023  
Clay County Administration Board Room

The September 11, 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, Bill Gerdeman and Rod Dillard; clerk Connie Swan. Guest Steve Swan joined by phone part way through the meeting.

Rod moved to amend the agenda to include discussion on the assessment that was levied on land owned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Second by Bill. Motion to amend the agenda carried.

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

At the June 21, 2023 meeting of the Trustees a motion was made to abate the amount due from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for the 2022 levy. Under advisement from the Clay County Board of Supervisors, Bill moved to rescind that motion. Second by Rod. It was discussed that this will provide the option to pursue unpaid apportionments in the future. Motion carried.

The following bill was presented:

- Jacobson-Westergard & Associates, LLC \$961.25 Engineering services from August 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023 for construction administration, inspection, and pay estimate.

Rod moved to approve the bill. Second by Bill. Motion carried.

Business continued from previous meeting:

### **Repair Project Update**

Allen shared an email from Engineer Collin Klingbeil dated September 1, 2023 stating that there has not been much activity on the project in recent weeks as the contractor has been working on another project. Burning of brush piles will either resume soon or will wait until after harvest is completed so as to minimize the chances of crop damage.

### **Rip Rap on Wyatt Farm**

Marlan Hagedorn has looked at the project to install rip rap on the Wyatt Farm, and is willing to do it after harvest is completed.

## **CO<sub>2</sub> Pipeline Project**

There was discussion regarding Summit Carbon Solutions' proposed CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline, which would cross DD#37 tile lines. Other drainage districts will also be affected, and the Clay County Supervisors are contemplating charging a crossing fee if/when the CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline crosses district tiles in other districts. They would also require bonding by the pipeline company. DD#37 may want to follow the lead of the Clay County Supervisors. No action was taken and discussion was tabled to future meetings.

### **Comments from Landowners:**

Steve Swan indicated that brush has been treated along the south side of the creek on the Swan property.

Allen moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Bill. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Swan, Clerk

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