

DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING
Nov. 7, 2011 – 11:00 A.M.
Newton County Courthouse

The Newton County Drainage Board met on November 7, 2011 at 11:00 A.M. in the Newton County Courthouse with the following persons present: Board Members Russell Collins, James Pistello and Tim Drenth; County Engineer Larry Holderly; Drainage Board Attorney Dan Blaney; LeAnn Sale; Surveyor Chris Knochel. The meeting was opened by Russ.

Minutes –October 3, 2011 – Signed

Minutes – October 17, 2011 – Jim made a motion to approve the minutes with a second motion from Tim. Motion carried.

Quotes – The following bids were received for: **Kindig-Montgomery side bank repair M-73:** Tony Garriott \$59,445; JD Excavating - \$50,500. Jim made a motion to accept the JD Excavating bid as long as it meets Chris' specifications. Tim made a second motion. Motion carried.

East Kent Ditch Kindig Structure M-51: JD Excavating - \$59,990; Al Grube - \$16,000; Tony Garriott-\$45,615. Jim made a motion to accept the bid from Al Grube as long as it meets Chris' specs, otherwise T Garriott. Tim made 2nd motion. Motion carried. **Mary Spitler Tile M-15:** Ronnie Madison \$16,880; JD Excavating-

\$20,850; Tony Garriott - \$17, 245. Jim made a motion to accept Ronnie's bid as long as it meets Chris' specs, with a second from Tim.

Motion carried. **Mary Spitler Main M-75:** JD Excavating - \$20,895; Ronnie Madison - \$3,250; Tony Garriott - \$18, 450; Al Grube - \$7500.

Jim made a motion to accept Ronnie's bid as long as it meets Chris' specs – otherwise rebid. Chris' estimate was \$14,145.00. Second motion made by Tim. Motion carried.

Hibler System Report – HEC, LLC – Mick Murfitt was in attendance to give an update on the work that has been done on the Hibler System. The board directed HEC, LLC to reconfigure the grade of Hidden Pines West Lateral to reduce the proposed five (5) foot cut and to reconfigure the grade of the Insalaco to reduce the depth of cut at the county line. Dan Blaney stated that we need to start assessing the Hibler System and suggested that we come up with a new name similar to "Morocco Conservancy".

The Nature Conservancy – It was stated that The Nature Conservancy had given \$2,000 toward the Goodland Lateral project and the question was raised as to how it should be applied. Jim motioned that the \$2000 be applied to the \$12,470 invoice from Kuiper Yard & Tree and that the landowner (Howard Burton) pay the Muller Trucking invoice in the amount of \$6,145.79. Tim made a second motion. Motion carried.

Long Ditch Report – Chris gave the surveyors report on the Long Ditch and recommended an assessment in the amount of \$4.00/acre. Jim made a motion to schedule a hearing to set the assessment rate with a second motion from Tim. Motion carried.

Frank Johnson Combination Report – Chris reviewed the surveyors report for the Frank Johnson Combination and recommended the assessment rate of \$1.25/acre which was previously approved on 8/1/05 . Tim made a motion to schedule a hearing to set the assessment rate at \$1.25/acre with a second from Jim. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned – Jim motioned to close the meeting with a second motion from Tim. Motion carried.