July 3, 2023

The Newton County Drainage Board met in the Commissioners Room of the Newton County Courthouse at 1 p.m. CDT, on July 3rd, 2023.

Members present were Glen 'Butch' Cain, Scott Carlson and Abbey Rossiter. Also present were Surveyor - Beau Watkins, Drainage Board Secretary – Jamie Rowe and Drainage Board Attorney – Candace Armstrong.

Glen 'Butch' Cain called the meeting to order.

Minutes

June 5, 2023

Scott Carlson made a motion to approve the minutes. Second by Glen 'Butch' Cain. Motion passed 2-0.

Illinois Drain Assessments

Secretary Jamie Rowe advised the Drainage Board that research from the Drainage Board Minutes and files for both James and Abner Whaley were sent to Attorney Candace Armstrong for review.

Best Ditch – LaSalle (717)

Glen 'Butch' Cain stated that he had conversations with both Matt Buffington & Marty Maupin of IDEM regarding work to be done on Best Ditch. He was given advice to seek out a Wetlands Specialist. Commissioner Cain will make contact with Scott Pelath of the Kankakee River Basin & Yellow River Basin Development Commission for possible recommendations.

Illingworth Extension to the O'Brien

Surveyor Watkins informed the Drainage Board that he was contacted by one of the petitioners to ensure this was still receiving attention. Discussion held regarding Surveyor Watkins thoughts on the potential of this project and next steps.

Other Matters

Newton County Fairground Tile Repair – Discussion was held regarding the work done on this tile and how it would be paid for.

Rerouting Regulated Tiles – Secretary Jamie Rowe stated she received a phone call on Friday from a consultant who would not give details, but inquired if a landowner has property in which a regulated tile runs throughout, may the landowner work with the Drainage Board to reroute to the exterior of the property as either a tile drain or an open drain.

Adjournment

Scott Carlson made a motion to adjourn. Second by Glen 'Butch' Cain. Motion passed 2-0.

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Glen 'Butch' Cain	Scott Carlson	Abbey Rossiter	
President			