

Drainage Board Meeting Minutes

South Branch of Mill Creek Intercounty Drain Lapeer, St. Clair & Sanilac Counties

10:00 a.m., Friday, May 26, 2023

St. Clair County Drain Commissioner, 21 Airport Drive, St. Clair, MI

Members Present:

Brady Harrington, Michigan Department of Agriculture, Chair
Joe Suma, Lapeer County Drain Commissioner
Bob Wiley, St. Clair County Drain Commissioner
Doug Sweet, Sanilac County Drain Commissioner

Others Present:

Jim Hartson, St. Clair County Deputy Drain Commissioner
Luke O'Brien, Spicer Group

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Harrington called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. at the St. Clair County Drain Commissioner's office, 21 Airport Drive, St. Clair, Michigan. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct necessary and appropriate business of the Drainage Board and any other business that may come before the Board.

2. Secretary

Motion by Suma, supported by Sweet that St. Clair County act as secretary.
All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Agenda

Motion by Sweet, supported by Suma to approve the agenda as presented.
All ayes. Motion carried.

4. Minutes

Motion by Sweet, supported by Wiley to approve minutes of the January 25, 2023 meeting as presented.
All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Communications & Reports

a. Status of Maintenance – A maintenance request was received by St. Clair from James Hill, 7101 Winn Road. Luke O'Brien reported that Avery Allen has completed all of his work except for burning of debris. Spraying is needed on areas maintained 2 years ago.

Motion by Wiley, supported by Sweet to have Spicer complete an inventory survey from Mr. Hill's property at the Fraser Drain downstream to Yale Road. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suma, supported by Wiley to have St. Clair County contract with Right of Way Solutions or another contractor to spray areas recently maintained, roughly 20,000'.
All ayes. Motion carried.

b. Treasurer's Report – St. Clair County reported a balance of \$156,654.26. Sanilac County and Lapeer County both reported balances of \$0.00.

Motion by Sweet, supported by Wiley to receive and file the Treasurer's Report.
All ayes. Motion carried.

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6. Invoices –

Motion by Suma, supported by Sweet to approve payment of \$14,512.50 to Avery Allen Construction for Pay Estimate #4.

All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wiley, supported by Sweet to authorize payment of retainage to Avery Allen upon the Engineer's recommendation

All ayes. Motion carried.

7. Other Business – Obstructed access due to Paul Weideman's fence west of Cade Road has not been resolved. Wiley will contact Mr. Weideman to discuss.

8. Public Comment – None.

9. Next Meeting – When Spicer's inventory is complete.

10. Adjourn

Motion by Sweet, supported by Wiley to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Hartson
St. Clair County Drain Office
Acting Secretary