

**MINUTES
DRAINAGE BOARD
July 1, 2019 at 9:30am**

**The following Drainage Board Members were present:
Craig Stalter, Don Hesler, & Tim Shumaker**

**Also in attendance were: Brenda Hardy, Auditor and Kent Minnette-County Attorney
and Roger Azar.**

Status of Drains:

ELMER COATS DRAIN - Engineer's classification report is being updated based on extensive information obtain from Mr. Coffing that shows major changes in subsurface water distribution. **Findings:** Surface Water is found near the watershed. This qualifies for it being inclusion. This drain will need major repairs/reconstruction. They will know in a month or two what they need to do to fix the drain.

EDWARD B HUGHES DRAIN - Engineer's classification report is being developed based on site visit information collected and additional information obtained from Mr. Coffing. **Findings:** Hughes Drain connects to the Tuggle Drain. The drain outlet is working. It may only need a few repairs.

TUGGLE DRAIN - The County's Engineer Consultant, in coordination with the County's Legal Consultant, informed Mr. Tuggle verbally and by email to proceed with moving the Tuggle Drain forward to become a Legal drain. The Engineer informed Mr. Tuggle that the Commissioners would like him to move ahead with the petition process. Mr. Tuggle was informed that the Commissioners will not prejudge the issue and will give it fair and due consideration. **Findings:** This is not a legal drain. Failures in the drain are substantial. There are 8-9 sink holes. A decision needs to be made as to whether or not to make it a public drain. This would allow the farmers to take care of the drain themselves and it would be 100% their responsibility. More discussion will be done on this drain.

MUD RUN DRAIN - Engineer's classification report regarding Mud Run Drain is recommended for reclassification and is in need of reconstruction. A public hearing notice will need to be done once it is decided to proceed to the next step on this drain. **Findings: This drain is in need of Reconstruction. Roger is looking into some details from Daryl Burch who previously had done some work on the drain.**

McDONALD DRAIN- The Commissioners on April 22nd voted to authorize the Site Investigation Report and to proceed with the permits since it involves wetlands, etc. A Wetlands Delineation Water Report will need to be done, with a cost of \$6,500. Engineer needs Commissioners approval to initiate Waters Report. **Findings: This is a legal Drain.**

The wetlands report is established.

Shanna McCullough drudges lakes, wetlands etc. She suggests that that they use equipment that have a 50ft reach that will allow them to do the work from bank. This will allow the equipment to not go through the wetlands. The purpose of this will reroute the drain.

September 2nd is the date they are pushing to have all the survey reports done.


A motion was made by Don Hesler and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the invoice of \$6,500 to Roger Azar to do the Water Report. Vote: 3-0



Attest-Brenda Hardy



Craig Stalter



Don Hesler



Tim Shumaker