

REGULAR DRAINAGE MEETING

06/24/2024 Minutes

1. Open Meeting
Hardin County Board Trustees present were Lance Granzow and Renee McClellan. Also present, Ann Larson and Lee Gallentine.
2. Approve Agenda
Motion by McClellan to approve the agenda. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Minutes – 06/10/2024
Motion by McClellan to approve the minutes. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried.
4. Approve Claims for Payment
DD H-S 35-1 Hardin/Story Joint Assessment 2024.
Motion by McClellan to approve the claims for payment. Seconded by Hoffman. All Ayes. Motion carried
5. Zoom meeting with Hamilton County regarding DD 118-232.
Hamilton County Supervisors/Trustees; Jerry Kloberdanz, Dan Campidilli, Rick Young, drainage clerk Lori Kloberdanz, and Jacob Hagen engineer for Bolton and Menk, were present via zoom for Hamilton County. Granzow started out by asking Hamilton County if the reason for the meeting was to explain how we got to where we were at on the amount of money that was spent for the repairs. Young stated that Hardin County didn't exactly follow things and neither did Hamilton County. Young stated that they are willing to work both ways. Granzow stated that we could just go through the timeline on how things went on our side. Granzow turned it over to Gallentine at that time. Gallentine asked if everyone had received the timeline that he had sent to Larson. Larson stated that she had sent it to Kloberdanz. Gallentine stated that he would just go through the timeline. The timeline was as follows:
 - 2021, Nov 8: Tenant turned in the work order for a sinkhole. Work order was labeled as Big 4.
 - 2022, Mar 9: CGA observation report was presented to Hardin County District Trustees stating that the sinkhole was at the end of the main tile for DD 118-232, not a Big 4 drainage facility. The report the following recommendation "Due to (48") CMP's condition and the location of sinkhole, a replacement 40-foot-long CMP with rodent guard and concrete collar at connection to existing Main tile should be installed. Additionally, it is recommended that rip rap should be installed to armor the Big 4 Main Open Ditch bank at CMP outlet." The Hardin County District Trustees requested the Hardin County Drainage Clerk to determine who was the lead county and if it was Hamilton County to forward it on to their Drainage Clerk.
 - 2022, Apr 21: CGA received an e-mail from the Hardin County Drainage Clerk stating that the Hamilton County Drainage Clerk "...said it is fine to assign it to our lottery and send them the bill when finished."
 - 2022 Remainder – Mid 2023: No Hardin County in-county contractors with equipment large enough to handle 48" CMP were available, so this work order was lumped with some other Hardin County open ditch work orders to receive quotes from larger Hardin County in-county contractors (see attached plan sheets for DD 118-232 portion only). As part of preparing this

plan, it was determined that it did not make economical or longevity sense to leave less than 20' of old tile between the sinkhole and new 48" CMP outlet, so the length of CMP was increased to 60'.

- 2023, Sep 11: Three quotes were received (see attached tabulation). The project was awarded to McDowell & Sons as they were anywhere from \$3,000 +/- to \$7,000 +/- below the other prices (for DD 118-232 portion only).
- 2023 – March: McDowell & Sons completed the work in the field.
- Currently: Working with McDowell & Sons to complete the final pay estimate and finalize the project.

Granzow stated that what he understood was that Kloberdanz had stated to go ahead and use our local contractors to do the repairs. Kloberdanz stated that she did approve the repairs for a sinkhole but was not aware of anything else. Gallentine stated that there must have been miss communication between the drainage clerks, because their initial report stated that the outlet was rusted, no rodent guard, and needing repairs done. Gallentine stated that the outlet was 40- or 50- feet away from the sinkhole. Gallentine stated that the outlet was 48" tile. Granzow stated, other than apologizing that Hamilton County was not aware of this, he didn't know where to go from here. Young asked if everything was done properly how much would have been Hamilton County's portion. Gallentine stated that is all getting assessed to the district, which it is a joint district. Granzow stated it would be determined by how the classification was set up. Young stated that they are willing to work together on this even though they were not notified, because they have another one that they will need to work with Hardin County on. Young asked again how much Hamilton County's portion of the repairs would be. Young asked how much the dollar amount was. Gallentine stated that the contractor's bid price was \$20,575.00. Young stated that they do not use their engineer for repairs, and question why Hardin County uses an engineer for a sinkhole repair. Granzow stated that we changed our policy due to lawsuit with DD 22 and DD 26 Lat 4. Granzow stated that the supervisors/trustees do not go out to inspect the repair, we send our engineer. Granzow stated that we survey where we do the repairs. Gallentine stated that when it is said to go ahead and use Hardin County lottery system, CGA is part of the lottery system. Gallentine stated that they are the eyes and ears for the district. Granzow stated that we are not districts in Hardin County we are at large, so we hire an engineer to go out, so everything is documented. Motion was made, seconded, and approved by Hamilton County to pay their portion of the bill for DD 118-232. Larson stated that she should have the numbers for the trustees to sign ready by next week.

DD 18/DD 222-104

Kloberdanz stated that they are working on a large project in DD 18, but it drafts into DD 222-104. Hagen with Bolton and Menk explained that there was a petition filled for DD 18 in Rose Grove Township. Hagen stated that they surveyed DD 18 which dumps into DD 222-104, which is the outlet for DD 18. Hagen stated that north of D41 there is about a half mile that is heavily covered in trees, banks have sluffed off, and is in poor condition. Hagen stated that is directly down stream of the outlet of DD 18. Hagen recommended in his engineer report for the cleaning out of DD 18 and DD 222-104. Hagen estimated that the project cost would be \$48,000.00. Hagen stated that they had a hearing with the landowners of DD 18, which are also 75% of the landowners for DD 222-104. Hagen stated the bids came back at \$52,000.00. Hagen stated that it was higher than what he had estimated it to be, but they still plan on going forward with the project. Hagen stated that they will start construction this summer. Hagen stated that he could email his engineer report. Hagen stated that the \$50,000.00 would be assessed to DD 222-104. Gallentine verified that Hamilton County was the control county for DD 222-104. Hagen stated that the engineering would be small for DD 222-104. Hagen stated most of the engineering would be assessed to DD 18. Granzow stated that

this is work that needs to be done. Gallentine verified with Hagen that there is only one contractor for the whole project. Hagen stated that there is one contractor for the whole project. Motion made by McClellan to acknowledge the work being done in DD 222-104. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried.

6. Discuss With Possible Action
DD 102 Lat 7

Larson stated that there is not a district set up in Tyler for DD 102 Lat 7 and Larson stated that she had spoken with Gallentine, and he had stated that the invoices should only be billed to DD 102 Lat 7 since this lateral will be dissolved. Gallentine stated that he has a list of landowners for DD 102 Lat 7 in their annexation report that has not been approved yet, due to not having the hearing that needs to be scheduled still.

Motion by McClellan to approve Larson to set up a new district in Tyler for DD 102 Lat 7. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes Motion carried.

7. New Work Order Requests-None

8. Other Business-

Gallentine stated that he did have one thing to discuss. Gallentine stated that about a year ago the trustees were contacted by a gentleman that had a private drainage tile in DD 55 Div 3 that was being impeded by a pond. Gallentine stated that he had been contacted by that gentleman to design a diversion tile system. Gallentine just wanted to make sure the trustees were aware and to make sure they didn't feel it was a conflict of interest since it is in a district, but it is not district tile. Granzow and McClellan agreed that they did not believe it would be a problem.

9. Adjourn Meeting

Motion by McClellan to adjourn. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.