REGULAR DRAINAGE MEETING

07/10/2024 Minutes

1. Open Meeting

Hardin County Board Trustees present were Lance Granzow and Renee McClellan. Also present, Ann Larson and Lee Gallentine. BJ Hoffman had emailed and stated that he would not be attending the meeting.

- 2. Approve Agenda Motion by McClellan to approve the agenda. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- Approval of Minutes 06/24/2024 Motion by McClellan to approve the minutes. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- 4. Approve Claims for Payment DD Big 4 Main CGA \$131.00 DD 102 CGA \$228.00 DD Big 4 Sub 1 CGA \$97.00

Motion by McClellan to approve the claims for payment. Seconded by Hoffman. All Ayes. Motion carried

5. Discuss With Possible Action

2024 Assessment Interest

Larson suggested that maybe we could discuss the interest on the 2024 assessments with Eichmeier, after the department head work session that they were having after the drainage meeting today. Larson stated that she was not sure how to handle the interest that had been charged in some of the districts that she was trying to assess. Larson stated that all the information about the districts was in the notes on the side of her spreadsheet. Larson stated that one of the districts was assessed, but some of the invoices were paid out of the wrong district so that amount did not get figured in to the assessment. Larson stated that a couple of the previous drainage clerks paid invoices as a payable instead of a stamped warrant, so that caused Eichmeier to not have the money there to redeem the warrants. Larson stated that some of the district just didn't get assessed for enough to cover the stamped warrants and interest that was due. Larson explained that difference in the amounts of interest from now compared to what it would have been. Larson stated that she needs to know how much interest she is charging on these, so she can get her assessments ready for approval. Larson stated that she would like to have a quick drainage meeting to approve the assessment amounts on Monday or possibly on Friday. Granzow stated that he would be at the courthouse for another meeting at 10:00 a.m. and suggested having the drainage meeting at 9:45 a.m. Granzow stated that the right thing to do, would be to credit the interest back to where it originally should have been. Larson stated that DD 55 Div 1 Lat 9 and Lat 9A have old warrants on them also, but she will not be able to assess them with the others because the classifications are so far off, and she does not have time to figure them out before assessments have to be done.

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Motion by McClellan to recess until after the department head meeting. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried. Recessed at 9:42.

At 12:04 Granzow reconvened the drainage meeting. Granzow stated that Eichmeier was in the room and that Larson had some questions and we needed to figure out what we needed to do. Granzow stated that we need to discuss the interest rates on the older stamped warrants that are out there. Eichmeier stated that she doesn't know what our question is. Granzow stated that we have two options either charge the full interest or back it down to where it should have been. McClellan stated that she does not feel that it is the landowners that should have to pay the extra interest. Eichmeier stated that she does not know what the answer would be. Further discussion included how things worked on the Treasures side of drainage, as far as redeeming the stamped warrants, the effects of changing the interest date, and how it can be changed in the system to correct the interest. Eichmeier stated that she would have to talk to Tyler to figure out how to change it in the system. Eichmeier stated that the program is designed to go from the certified date to the date that she calls the warrant. Larson and Eichmeier discussed a few different options on how to adjust the interest, but without contacting Tyler, there was nothing decided. Eichmeier stated that the difference between the general ledger and the drainage ditch was still not fixed either. Larson stated that she thought Tyler was supposed to be fixing that on the back side, so it did not cause issues for us when it comes to our audit. Larson stated that she would contact Tyler to find out what had been done. Larson stated that she needed to know what they wanted her to do with the interest for these assessments. Motion by McClellan to have Larson assess the districts that are passed the two-year period from completion dated to two years out through November. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried.

6. New Work Order Requests-None

7. Other Business

Gallentine stated that he just wanted to mention that the next informational meeting for the carbon pipeline would be on August 29th at 6:00 p.m. at Albrights Bluff. Granzow stated that he understood that Seward had reached out to Larson. Larson stated that she had put some numbers together for him, but she was not sure if it was the right amounts, so Seward was supposed to look at them and let her know.

8. Adjourn Meeting

Motion by McClellan to adjourn. Seconded by Granzow. All Ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.