

McPherson County Drainage Board

Minutes of Proceeding

December 8th, 2016

The McPherson County drainage board met on Thursday, December 8th, 2016. Vice Chairman Feickert called the meeting to order at 10:50AM. Members present were: Jeff Neuharth, Delmar Metzger, and Jim Schumacher. Others present were: Don Kallenberger, Austin Hoffman, Glenn Spitzer, Susan Hoffman, Scott Schauer, Hamp Keahey, and Justin Kiesz. Also in attendance was commissioner-elect Anthony Kunz.

Metzger moved and Neuharth seconded to table drainage permit # 16-5 submitted by Gary Schauer which requested to put a small ditch along west fence line in the NE¼ of section 8-Twp126-R67 to catch snowmelt from trees. Mr. Schauer was instructed to contact all of the affected neighboring landowners for their agreement on the project. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on drainage permit # 13-11. Justin Kiesz, complainant, and Hamp Keahey, representative for Jerome Mack, were present for an informal discussion concerning an issue with this drainage permit. Kiesz provided information concerning an issue that he has with the drain tile project that was completed by Jerome Mack on the permit in question. The members of the Drainage Board explained to Keahey possible concerns and issues they have with the drainage project as completed. The Drainage Board informed Keahey that the county does not allow a landowner to terminate an outlet pipe from drain tile in the ditch at the mouth of a culvert and then resume the line on the other side of the culvert. The County requires the pipe to be bored under the road without a break in the line and the landowner is required to apply for a right-of-way permit for authorization from the County for installation of the drain line under a county road. Kiesz also had indicated that he was not contacted by Mack prior to installation of the project. Following the discussion, the Drainage Board requested that the parties attempt to resolve the issues that Kiesz has with the project and report back to the Drainage Board prior to the next meeting in January.

At 11:30PM Neuharth moved and Metzger seconded to adjourn the Drainage Board meeting and resume meeting as the McPherson County Board of Commissioners. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller
McPherson County Auditor

Rick Beilke
Chairman of the Drainage Commission