

January 21, 2020

MINUTES OF JANUARY 21st MEETING

All Commissioners were present. Staff and Commissioner Candidates Russ Blue and Fred Rush recited the pledge at 8:30. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

- V104-47 Minutes of January 16, 2020:
1st-Rogers 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes
 - V104-48 Census Count Support
1st-Rogers 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Rogers-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
 - V104-49 Accept Engineers Preliminary Report Mast Ditch #1129
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes
- Signed a letter of support for reconfiguration of Courts per Judge Christopher’s request.

The First Hearing for the **Mast Ditch #1129** was held including the extension filed. Trent Bass, Engineer Assistant, reviewed the Engineers Preliminary Report **V104-49**. The ODOT culvert is not being replaced. The State does not have on their agenda for at least the next five years. 742 acres in the watershed, if all benefits were equal cost would be approximately \$161 per acre. The ditch is economically feasible, will increase the capacity, and is conducive to the public welfare to control flooding. Estimate of Work to be Done: Mainline \$4050 for Tile, \$33,153 for Surface Drain. Extension for Surface \$62,227 for a total of \$102,430. Estimate of Value of the Ditch: Mainline: Tile \$46,910, Surface \$33,153, Extension: Surface \$65,227 for a total of \$143,290. With other cost a total of \$119,614.18 for the project. The ODOT culvert is undersized. Jerry Layman wanted the Buck Township landowners aware those west of SR 31 will not alleviate the flooding until the culvert is replaced. Alvis Mast-asked who mows? Engineers. Greg Osborn noted the ditch was empty on his side. The State could come clean and that would help. The project is a waste of money. Steve Hackathorn noted the waterway on the west will allow water to get to SR 31 faster. That is a problem because it can’t get rid of the water. Alvin Mast-the state will not do (the culvert) until SR 31 is fixed. Then they will do. The Engineer noted the State does not have on their five-year list. Commissioners could recess and talk with the District ODOT. If ODOT will not do, only the cost of survey will be involved. Commissioner Crowe moved to proceed with the mainline and the extension and seek ODOT cooperation prior to the final. Luke Underwood will contact ODOT and discuss this situation, maybe it could be done at the same time. Commissioner Rogers second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes. **V104-50**

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
 President of the Board-Timothy L. Striker

_____, YES/NO
 Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
 Randall S. Rogers

Attest _____
 Clerk of the Board