

HUNTINGTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

MEETING DATE: November 6, 2025 TIME: 8:30 A.M. TO: 10:06 A.M. PLACE: D.A.R. ROOM 206

DRAINAGE BOARD MEMBERS: – PRESENT (P) ABSENT (A)
MATT GILBERT (P) TERRY KEIFFER (A) TOM WALL (A) JIM MICHEL (P) BOB GRESSLEY (P)

SURVEYOR STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE
JERRY MEEHAN JR/ SURVEYOR
STACY WILEY/ CHIEF DEPUTY
WENDI WITT / BUSINESS OPERATIONS COORDINATOR

Meeting was called to order.

Members of the Board were announced.

Introduction of the Surveyors Staff was announced.

MINUTES:

Bob Gressley made a motion to approve the 10/16/2025 minutes. Jim Michel seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF LANDOWNERS CONCERNS:

Drain Name: Cut-Off Drain

Landowner: City of Huntington 300 Cherry Street
Huntington, IN 46750

Emily Hayes from the City of Huntington is requesting for the Boards permission to leave the trees that were planted in the Right-of-Way without permission until the Spring. Bob Gressley made a motion to allow trees to stay over winter and to be removed by June 1st, 2026. Matt Gilbert seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

CLAIMS:

Board Payroll		\$650.00
Amazon		\$47.05
Amazon		\$ 2.35
Amor Excavating	John Buzzard #1	\$2,205.00
Carson LLP	DSSMB	\$5,723.00
Amor Excavating	Donald Smith	\$1,544.44
Amor Excavating	Thomas Detamore	\$6,051.25
Amor Excavating	Samuel Gesaman	\$1,033.10
Theobald Farms	Stewart-Hoover-Thrift-Ellis	\$1,896.00
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TW Excavating	Peter Bauer	\$197.50

TW Excavating	Noggle-Hahn	\$365.00
TW Excavating	Samuel Gesaman	\$210.00

Bob Gressley made a motion to pay the claims. Jim Michel seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF OLD BUSINESS:

Drain Name: Siegmund-Herron-Baker	Landowner: Huntington County United Economic Huntington, IN 46750
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Bryn Keplinger, the Director of Community Development, representing the City of Huntington, and the Board discussed future development plans for Riverfork West.

Drain Name: Dustman-Stuart-Sheets-Miller-Bear	Landowner: Town of Roanoke P.O. Box 328 Roanoke, IN 46783
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Jerry Meehan provided photos of the removed obstruction in the drain completed by the Town of Roanoke. He also informed the Board the work was not completed under supervision of the Surveyors Office or damage from the result of the obstruction. The consensus of the Board is to reach out to their attorney for recommendation to complete the work properly.

Drain Name: Lewis Minnear	Landowner: David Faber 792 4 th Street NW Sioux Center, IA 51250
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Jerry Meehan notified the Board that after researching the tile location from the original records he doesn't believe that Beacon is correct; after providing photo evidence the consensus of the Board is to show the tile in the correct location on Beacon. All of the Board members were contacted through email/phone prior to their regular meeting to give approval for Eads and Son Bulldozing to tie onto the tile. This request was granted.

Drain Name: Huffman-Bolinger-Walters	Landowner: Michael Kloer 8705 N 750 W Huntington, IN 46750
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Jerry Meehan provided photos of tile investigation, private structure and tree farm. The consensus of the Board is to invite the neighboring landowner (Chris Line) to the next meeting.

Drain Name: W.C. McPherren	Landowner: Gabriel Ventures 6492 N US 24 Huntington, IN 46750
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Clounie Landscaping is requesting to work in the Right-of-Way to place a temporary crossing to move topsoil from one side of the drain to the other. After work is complete the drain will be returned to its original state. Matt Gilbert made a motion to allow. Jim Michel seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Jim Michel stepped off the Board at this time.

Drain Name: Michel-Young

Jerry Meehan provided photos of the tile installation.

Jim Michel stepped back on the Board at this time.

Drain Name: Palmer-McPherson

Landowner: Rick Brubaker 2344 E 1000 S
Warren IN, 46792

Jerry Meehan provided photos of the completed rock chute.

The consensus of the Board is to allow rip-rap from Rock Creek.

DISCUSSION OF NEW BUSINESS:

Drain Name: Stewart-Hoover-Thrift-Ellis

Landowner: Eric Cobbs 572 W 450 S
Warren IN, 46792

Jerry Meehan provided photos of Cobbs field and sediment at headwall. Jay Theobald quote to repair the tile across the Cobbs property is \$12,769.00. Matt Gilbert made a motion to accept the quote with a not to exceed \$15,000.00 for any unforeseen complications and under the supervision of the Surveyors Office. Jim Michel seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Drain Name: William Eickenberry

Fox Construction is requesting to work in the Right-of-Way to remove sandbars for the installation of a culvert liner under I-69. Bob Gressley made a motion to allow. Jim Michel seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Drain Name: Vendrick-Slusser-Altman

Landowner: David Stoffel 6864 N 200 W
Huntington IN, 46750

Jerry Meehan informed the Board that David Stoffel inquired about his petition to vacate the branch on his property. All the landowners affected have signed the petition. The consensus of the Board is to schedule the public hearing for December 18, 2025.

Drain Name: Jacob Casper

Landowner: Vince Lahr 5284 N Clear Creek Rd
Huntington, IN 46750

Jerry Meehan updated the Board about the Tort Claim filed by Vince Lahr.

DISCUSSION OF DRAINAGE BOARD MEMBER'S CONCERNS:

Jim Michel informed the Board that he will not be here for the December 18th meeting.

Landowner Allan Bowers inquired about the discussion at Riverfork West.

FIELD TRIP:

No field trip was taken.

The meeting concluded at this time.

Matt Gilbert	Absent Terry Keiffer
Absent Tom Wall	Jim Michel
Bob Gressley	