

HUNTINGTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

MEETING DATE: February 19, 2026 TIME: 8:30 A.M. TO: 9:55 A.M. PLACE: D.A.R. ROOM 206

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

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

This meeting is subject to Indiana Code 36-1-3 and Ordinance #2026-2

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 2/5/2026 minutes. Terry Keiffer seconded the motion. The motion passed with voice responses 5-0.

DISCUSSION OF LANDOWNERS CONCERNS:

Eric Beachy, 8234 W 700 N, Huntington, IN 46750, shared concerns with flooding on his property from the Mary Paul Drain.

Marilyn Bradford, 9359 S 400 E Warren, IN 46792, inquired if there were any communications from Maple Solar? Jerry Meehan shared an email received on February 16, 2026 from DNR that is a Certificate of Approval permit granting Maple Solar permission to work in the floodway of the Palmer-McPherson Drain.

Andy Bolinger from Bolinger Agricultural Drainage, 4420 E 800 N, North Manchester, 46962 submitted his quote for the William Tribolet Drain. Quotes for this drain are not due back till March 5.

CLAIMS:

Gabriel Ventures LLC	Miller-Gussman-Pasko-Smith	\$7,950.00
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Claim denied due to lack of a motion, the consensus of the Board is to reach out to contractor about this claim.

DISCUSSION OF OLD BUSINESS:

Drain Name: D.S.S.M.B.

Landowner: Town of Roanoke P.O. Box 328
Roanoke, IN 46783

Jerry Meehan notified the Board of the email he received from the Town of Roanoke stating that they would not be developing a plan to raise the middle pedestrian footbridge. The Town of Roanoke is requesting that the footbridge be removed between October of 2026 and May of 2027. Terry Keiffer made a motion to remove the footbridge as soon as possible at the Town of Roanoke’s expense not to exceed \$5,000.00 and to do additional work to remove sandbars at the Board’s expense. Bob Gressley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-2. Tom Wall and Jim Michel were opposed.

Matt Gilbert stepped off the Board at this time.

QUOTES:

John Brown Drain

- Enyeart Construction- \$19,800
- Tri-County Excavating- \$16,900
- Amor Excavating- \$19,360
- Bolinger Agricultural Drainage- \$16,540

Matt Gilbert stated because of the amount of bedrock in an area on his property he would be willing to pay to have enough of the woods cleared on the West side of the drain to spread the spoil instead of his farm field to the East side at his expense. He will speak to the contractor about this request. Terry Keiffer made a motion to accept Bolinger Agricultural Drainage. Jim Michel seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Matt Gilbert stepped back on The Board at this time.

Huffman-Bolinger-Walters Drain

- Bolinger Agricultural Drainage - replace tile-\$86,328.16 new open drain-\$58,248.92
- Tri-County Excavating - replace tile-\$56,710.00 new open drain-\$43,212.00
- Amor Excavating -replace tile-\$63,935.00 new open drain-\$31,500.00

The consensus of the Board is to take these quotes under advisement at this time.

Drain Name: Mary Paul

Landowner: Sue Meyer 14415 N State Rd 13
North Manchester, IN 46962

Jerry Meehan provided pictures of the tile under the Jacob’s driveway and informed the Board that there are inconsistencies with the tile sizes. The consensus of the Board is to have an informal meeting to discuss options. Bolinger Agricultural Drainage shared a quote for 24- inch tile.

Drain Name: Adam Schenkel

Landowner: Rex Grossman 6174 E 400 N
Urbana, IN 46990-9585

Jerry Meehan notified the Board that Musselman Water Management has completed the replacement of the regulated portion on the landowner's property.

Jim Michel stepped of The Board at this time.

Drain Name: Michel-Young

Jerry Meehan inquired if Board would want to include the new open drain to this year's addendum spray list. The consensus of the Board is not to include it.

Jim Michel stepped back on The Board at this time.

Drain Name: Pony Creek

Jerry Meehan provided pictures of the completed rock chute.

Drain Name: Siegmund-Herran-Baker

Jerry Meehan presented the proposed Plat for RiverforkWest Section 2 for comments from the Board. Tom Wall informed Jerry Meehan that City Engineer Adam Cuttris has a contact for the railroad to discuss replacing the culvert under the railroad

DISCUSSION OF NEW BUSINESS:

No New Business.

DISCUSSION OF DRAINAGE BOARD MEMBER'S CONCERNS:

Terry Keiffer inquired about the permitting process for the use of road Right-of-Way for installation of utilities and if there is any follow up after the installation.

Terry Keiffer is requesting to work in the Right-of-Way of the Samuel Fulton Drain to clear trees over the tile at his expense. Matt Gilbert made a motion to allow, along with him getting written permission from the adjoining landowner Steve Karst to encroach on his property. Bob Gressley seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

FIELD TRIP:

No field trip was taken.

The meeting concluded at this time.

Matt Gilbert

Terry Keiffer

Tom Wall

Jim Michel

Bob Gressley