

Curtice & Branches Intercounty Drain
Intercounty Drain Drainage Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 13, 2024

The Drainage Board for the Curtice & Branches Intercounty Drain met at the office of the Midland County Drain Commissioner, 220 W. Ellsworth St., Midland, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2024.

Present: Mike Gregg, MDARD, Chairman
Joe Sova, Midland County Drain Commissioner
Terry Walters, Gladwin County Drain Commissioner

Also Present: Lucy Zeestraten, Gladwin County Deputy Drain Commissioner
Norma Stuart, Midland County Deputy Drain Commissioner
Christian Valesano – Spicer Group
Nick Czerwinski – Spicer Group
Joe Brezvai – MDARD
Troy Williamson – Bilacic Trucking
Brian Williamson – Bilacic Trucking
Tonya Lewandowski – ECT (via Teams)

Chairman Gregg called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Joe Sova made a motion to elect Midland County to serve as secretary, seconded by Terry Walters.
Motion carried.

Sova moved to approve the agenda. Walters seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Walters made a motion to accept and file the minutes from May 9, 2024 with the correction of the call to order to reflect Chairman Brezvai. Sova seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Chairman Gregg then asked Spicer Group to give an update on the progress of the project. Christian Valesano presented a map that showed the areas cleared and excavated to date. (Map attached) More channel cleanout has been performed along Bergman Rd. along the main branch. Bilacic is working on clearing north of Coolidge Road. Approx. 600 bat trees were marked for removal. Christian reviewed Progress Payment #3, which includes the clearing on main branch, excavation of portion of the main branch, spoil leveling, and then ½ payment for materials stored on site. A change order will be presented at the next meeting to address the change the spoil leveling to hauling (due to a landowner using his own equipment to spread the spoils) and to account for a 18" maintenance culvert that needs to be reset to meet NRCS standards.

Tonya Lewandowski stated that she would send by email a copy of the Spoil Disposal Practice Standards to Spicer.

Walters made a motion to approve and pay Progress Payment #3, seconded by Sova.

Motion carried.

A Drain Order was circulated for signatures.

Chairman Gregg asked Valesano about SESC issues. Valesano stated that next month staking for the SESC measures will be done for the contractor. Spicer is doing weekly inspection reports. Valesano will send the weekly inspection reports to the Board members. Nick Czerwinski stated that he will set up a cloud drive to upload the SESC reports to as they are conducted.

Chairman Gregg presented the Treasurers report. Current balances are Construction Fund \$1,412,728.01, Debt Retirement \$146,745.50 and Note/Grant Fund \$50,000.00. Walters made a motion to accept and file the Treasurers report, seconded by Sova.

Motion carried.

A second submission for reimbursement was sent on May 14, 2024, but no response on that reimbursement to date. Valesano has been meeting with Dan from NRCS weekly on site, so the reimbursement will lag behind any progress payments.

Chairman Gregg presented the following invoice for approval and payment.

Spicer	#26328	\$6,412.25
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Sova made a motion to pay the invoices, seconded by Walters.

Motion carried.

Drain Orders were circulated for signatures.

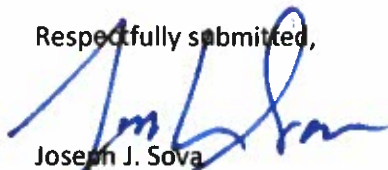
Lewandowski wants to know when Valesano would have a submission ready for construction. ECT still has not submitted the May 14, 2024 request for reimbursement; they are waiting on a submission on construction to send for reimbursement.

There was no public comment.

Date of next meeting is set for July 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at Midland County. A tour of the drain project to be done after the meeting.

Sova made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Walters. Meeting adjourned at 10:37 am.

Respectfully submitted,



Joseph J. Sova

Midland County Drain Commissioner