

PULASKI COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING
May 18, 2026

The Pulaski County Drainage Board met in regular session on Monday, May 18, 2026, in the Courthouse Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Those present: Members Mike McClure, Jennifer Knebel, Don Street, Surveyor Jenny Keller, Board Secretary Lynn Wilder, Board Attorney Tim Murray, Jake Ballah/BF&S, Gary Kruger, Pam Dennis, Debra Straw, and Don Clouser

ED FRAIN TILE PROJECT UPDATE

The Surveyor reported that she has spoken with KIRPC for assistance in looking for grant opportunities to mitigate the cost of improvements. A prior grant application was unsuccessful some years ago. More information will be available at the next meeting. Landowners Debra Straw, Pam Dennis, and Don Clouser all voiced their concerns regarding whether additional improvements should be funded by Casey's, Galbreath's, and IMI, rather than the residential landowners within the watershed. A meeting with the County Surveyor, landowner Eric Galbreath, Winamac Town Manager Brad Zellers, contractor Rudy DeSabatine, and Jake from BF & S Engineering is set for Monday, June 15th just prior to the Regular Drainage Board meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to collectively come up with more affordable, cost-effective strategies for the improvement of the tile. Those ideas will then be presented to the board at the June meeting.

DRAINAGE LANGUAGE FOR BATTERY STORAGE

The Surveyor presented the Board with a rough draft of a Drainage Agreement regarding battery storage for their input and review. More information will be gathered regarding battery storage and data centers.

CLAIMS

Butler Fairman & Seufert	\$12,750.00	Ed Frain Tile	2700-50100-000	GDM
Widner & Sons Excavating	\$ 6,689.00	Scheuer Keller Ditch	2700-50100-000	ODM
Howard's Marathon	\$ 82.82	Gas, Oil, Etc.	1000-22100-005	CO GEN
Gutwein Bulldozing & Exc.	\$ 499.00	Buck Touseley Ditch Pymt 2 of 2	2700-50100-000	ODM
Gutwein Bulldozing & Exc.	\$ 500.00	James Wallace Ditch Pymt 2 of 2	2700-50100-000	ODM
Gutwein Bulldozing & Exc.	\$ 999.00	Stick Ditch Pymt 2 of 2	2700-50100-000	GDM
DeSabatine Bros. Excavating	\$ 1,000.00	Budd-Fisher Ditch	2700-50100-000	GDM

Don motioned, Jennifer seconded, all in favor, motion carried to approve the claims.

MINUTES

Jennifer motioned, Don seconded, all in favor, motion carried to approve the minutes from April 20, 2026, as presented.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Surveyor reported that all the fall 2025/spring 2026 ditch projects have been completed, and she is putting together the specs for the fall 2026/spring 2027 projects.

There are some solar fence setbacks that continue to be addressed with Mammoth Solar.

The Surveyor was contacted by a landowner who reported solar-related flags had been placed on their property in error. The Surveyor met with the landowner, and subsequently, with a representative of the solar company and it was agreed the flags were encroaching on non-solar contracted property. The flags were then removed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

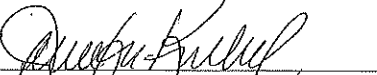
None

ADJOURNMENT

Don motioned, Jennifer seconded, meeting adjourned at 10:25am

PULASKI COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD


MICHAEL MCCLURE-CHAIRMAN


JENNIFER KNEBEL-VICE CHAIRMAN


DONALD STREET - MEMBER

ATTEST:
LYNETTE WILDER
DRAINAGE BOARD SECRETARY