

PULASKI COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING
September 21, 2026

The Pulaski County Drainage Board met in regular session on Monday, September 21, 2026, in the Courthouse Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Those present: Members Mike McClure, Jennifer Knebel (via zoom), Don Street, Surveyor Jenny Keller, Board Secretary Lynn Wilder, Board Attorney Tim Murray, Katti Thompson, Sherry Fagner, Gail Lambert, Larry Lambert, Gary Kruger, Don Clouser, BF&S Engineer Jake Ballah, & Tim Hollandsworth from VS Engineering.

STONE DILTS DITCH/BUCK FELIX

The board continued the discussion from the July meeting regarding erosion on the Buck Felix property located just south of County Road 50N where the ditch becomes private. We received an estimate from DeSabatines for up to \$5,000.00. The board discussed a concern that cost sharing any repairs on that portion would set a precedent and open the door for future landowners requests for assistance in other similar situations. After much discussion, Don motioned, Jennifer seconded, all in favor, motion carried for the County Highway to make any necessary repairs at the culvert on County Road 50N, only, as it is the county's responsibility. The landowner would be responsible for the cost of any repairs made south of the culvert.

ED FRAIN TILE

The Surveyor reported that she had contacted State Senator Charbonneau and State Representative Kendal Culp who both responded that they were unaware of any funding assistance available. The State, the Town of Winamac were contacted with no responses. KIRPC emailed some information that was found to be not applicable to the project. The surveyor discussed the project with our County EMA Director who provided information regarding the Indiana 211 program. However, it seems unlikely that it would be applicable to the project. The Surveyor will appear before the County Council at their October meeting and inquire if any funds available could be given to offset some projects costs. BF & S Engineering stated that re-tooling the original design plan could be done, but that it would not significantly reduce the cost. Further discussion is tabled pending the outcome of the Council request.

SWINGLE/TATERTOWN FIBERLINE INSTALLATION

Tim from VS Engineering reported that the drainage agreement was worked into the right-of-way agreement for this fiberline, as well as for the future substations with AEP fiberline projects. Subsequent to the surveyor's approval, all future agreements will be presented for the board's approval.

LAMBERT DRAINAGE CONCERNS/VS FUTURE PROPOSAL

The Lamberts are experiencing additional drainage from water crossing a county road and ponding on their property. VS Engineering studied the area, and it was determined that it is mainly due to the removal of a private pump (removed for solar purposes) that had been historically keeping the flooding at bay. The long-term effect on the integrity of the county road is in question. VS is putting together a scope & fee proposal, for future studies as needed to protect Pulaski County's assets and infrastructure.

CHECKLIST FOR LANDOWNERS WANTING TO CLOSE IN PRIVATE/MUTUAL DRAINS

The surveyor presented and read aloud for the record the updated "CHECKLIST FOR LANDOWNERS WANTING TO CLOSE IN PRIVATE/MUTUAL DRAINS". Don motioned, Jennifer seconded, all in favor, motion carried to approve the updated checklist as presented.

CLAIMS

Prairie Marsh, Inc.	\$ 3,172.00	Ditch Spraying	2700-50100-000	GDM
Howard's Marathon	\$ 79.65	Gas, Oil, Etc.	1000-22100-000-006	CO. GEN.

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

MINUTES

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

OTHER BUSINESS

The surveyor informed the board that bids would be opened during the October board meeting for the Fall 2026/Spring 2027 Projects.

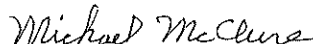
PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Don motioned, Jennifer seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 10:23am

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MICHAEL MCCLURE-CHAIRMAN


JENNIFER KNEBEL- VICE CHAIRMAN


DONALD STREET - MEMBER