

Big Cicero Creek Joint Drainage Board
May 22, 2019
Tipton County Courthouse

Members Present: Mark Heirbrandt, Jim Mullins, Brad Bagwell, Donnie Lawson, Kristi Hinkle

Surveyors Present: Jason Henderson, Ken Hedge, Kenton Ward

Others Present: Ralph Kauffmann, Jim Leffler, Matt Smith, Allen Baird, Vicky Boyd, Leon Baird, Rich Baird, Scot Vanhorn, Brent Snow, Wyatt Johnson, George Tebbe, Michael Terry

Call Meeting to Order: Brad Bagwell called the meeting to order.

Roll Call for the Establishment of Quorum: Quorum established.

Modifications to the Agenda: None

Approval of the minutes: Mark Heirbrandt motioned to approve minutes with spelling correction of “Moore’s” to “Morse”. Jim seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Board to Consider Claims: Kristi Hinkle presented claims in the amount of \$38,557.35. Jim Mullins made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Donnie Lawson 2nd the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed.

Surveyors Report: Jason: Reported that the park manager, himself, and the street department made sure that they were all on the same plan when it came to doing the emergency work out there (park). Mr. VanHorn was also in attendance. When the weather allows that is when he is going to do his (VanHorn) work. Also, presented from the public, there is a spread sheet (handed out at last meeting) with some of the costs that had been levied against Big Cicero since 2007. There is also a detailed summary of those taxed that had been done provided by CBE for board reference. Jason also requested for to solicit spraying quotes. Motioned to approve request for spraying quotes. It was second. Motion was approved.

Kenton has a gentleman’s name for canoe rental. Whenever it stops raining, we will do that.

Board Engineers Report: Siavash had prior commitment. He has nothing to report at this time.

Board Business/Comments (Old or New):

Attorney Report (Holt): Has nothing to report. There is no ruling yet.

Utility Interceptor: Jason stated the board should have received an email on this. Utility is looking at doing an interceptor for their storm water. The Board’s Engineer has had steady communication with them throughout the design of the project. What they are doing would not interfere with what Big Cicero is doing, but they do need to get permission to be within the portion of our regulated easement. Matt Smith is here to represent Tipton Utilities. Mr. Smith said that when it rains storm water completely overwhelms the system which results in discharge

of untreated waste water into Cicero Creek. The city is under a federal mandate to alleviate this problem. This is the third phase of this overall project. They will be crossing the creek in three locations (Park 100, CVS, and the Waste Water Treatment Plant). They are working with IDNR, IDEM, and the Army Corp. Tipton has a water main crossing the creek. The vast majority of this is within the Big Cicero drainage board's regulated drain easement. They designed it to stay clear of the possible shelving project (Communicating with CBE). Mark asked how many phases there were. Matt responded that there are three phases so this is the third and final phase. Jason asked how much this project is. Matt replied that it is a 5-5 ½ million dollar project. Steve Holt asked that when you finish phase 3, how much rain it will take for there to be an overflow. Matt guesses about a ½ inch of rain or so. This is to remove 88% of the combined sewer flow discharged by volume in the creek. Holt also asked was there any cost estimated for doing sewer separation so the storm water can go directly to the creek. Matt stated that the estimated cost for that would be 30-40 million dollars. Jason asked Matt if they were responsible for all the permits. Matt responded that Tipton Municipal Utilities is responsible for the permits. The crossings will be open cut. Brad asked about the separation underneath the creek bottom. Matt responded that they have four feet showing on their plans. Cicero requires five feet. Matt states that he can certainly make that change to five feet. Board member asked about probability of storing that water (oversized pipe, chamber). Matt said that the pipe sizing is based purely on a conveying, 10 year one hour storm event, stand point (400,000 gallons of storage). With this being in a flood plain, are you going to gasket and lock down the manholes? Matt responded that they will have external chimney seals on them. They will have bolt down lids on top of them. Brad asked the surveyors if they had any other questions. Surveyor stated that to make sure that they are outside the potential shelving project. Surveyor Jason stated that to make sure that they provide a final set of plans. A board member asked if they are going to have a recordable form for this encroachment. Jason responded yes that they will have a recordable form. Mark motioned to approve encroachment. Jim seconds the motion. Motion was approved.

Public Comment:

Wyatt Johnson: 555 Market Rd. With the emergency work being done at the park, Wyatt feels that the other entities (CVS, McDonalds, First Farmers, etc.) on Big Cicero should be treated fairly equally. Brad asked any comments. Jim responded that those parties had actually signed agreements to the effect that they would maintain their banks, unlike the public space which is the park area. The argument that they are treated fairly is that they are held to the agreement that they made. (There are copies of the agreement in their folders) Steve Holt would like to know Wyatt's response to that they had signed an agreement. Wyatt responded that he has not seen the agreement and couldn't make a comment on that. Holt asked if they did sign an agreement, wouldn't they be held to live up to that agreement?

Brad asks if there are any other comments from the public. There is silence.

Brad stated that the next meeting is June 26, 2019 at 9:30am in this room.

Jim Leffler chimes in to talk. (3464 S 725 W Tipton) Leffler asks is one of the board members going to turn it (tracking the responsibility of the care of the bank behind CVS and the others) over to the attorney. Brad responded that Jason will be enforcing it. Jim also stated that the board should be disbanded because of the conflict of interest. Jim Mullins stated that they are not having that discussion until the written findings case is settled. Steve Holt agreed. Brad stated that they are looking at ways to help with the flooding. They are not trying to keep it from flowing into Hamilton County. They are trying to reduce flooding along the creek and its watershed. Brad asked anyone else.

Brad stated again that the next meeting is June 26, 2019 at 9:30 am.

Board member motioned to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned.

BIG CICERO CREEK BOARD:

Brad Bagwell, President

Mark Heirbrandt

Donnie Lawson

Jim Mullins

Scott Shoemaker

ATTEST: _____
Kristi Hinkle, Secretary