

**MONROE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 7, 2009**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Dompke, Kevin Enright (*ex officio*), James Faber, Bill Riggert, Bill Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Autio

STAFF PRESENT: Todd Stevenson (Drainage Engineer), Donna Barbrick (Secretary),

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Riggert at 9:12 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: James Faber motioned to approve the minutes from the November meeting. Scott Dompke seconded. A vote was taken and the motion to approve the minutes as submitted passed unanimously. There was no meeting of Drainage Board in December.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Todd Stevenson noted that the last election of officers took place in February of 2007. At that time Riggert was elected president.

Faber made a motion to elect Scott Dompke as president for 2009. Bill Williams seconded the motion. The vote to elect Dompke was unanimously in favor. Riggert said he could serve as vice president. He was just re-appointed to Drainage Board this year. Enright seconded the motion. The vote to elect Riggert vice president for 2009 was unanimous.

DRAINAGE ENGINEER'S REPORT

Stevenson noted as a heads-up that a couple of development projects will be coming down the pike. One is an assisted living facility on SR 446 on the east side north of Gentry East and the other is a multi-family development in a portion of North Park.

UPDATED FEMA MAPS

Enright had received a shape file from the Department of Natural Resources and was able to project and display the new Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) information via Google Earth Pro. Stevenson said that David Knipe at the Division of Water had been notified of his concerns at Winding Brook subdivision. Enright had received some Preliminary Summary of Map Actions (SOMAs) from the DNR and noted that with the new maps, previously granted LOMAs have been rescinded and some properties are now considered back in the flood plain.

Enright projected a map showing property at the south end of High Street that illustrates another flood plain issue. The new FEMA maps show some improvement in the quality of mapping. Some areas have seen improvement, while some homeowners will be hurt by the new mapping.

Stevenson said that elevation data may not be accurate in the Winding Brook subdivision off of South Rogers Street. It was noted that a line of constant high water elevation crossed the abandoned railroad embankment and that this did not make sense.

Enright brought up the issues of benchmarks. The old panels included benchmarks; the new ones do not. He also noted the existence of several temporary benchmarks in the county and that it would be nice if the DNR could make these permanent. Dompke asked who is responsible for maintaining this data set. Enright said there is no funded agency in charge.

Stevenson asked if Enright had received any calls from residents in Ellettsville. Enright said no. Stevenson said that he believes that homeowners who are affected by changes in the FEMA maps get notifications.

Faber asked if there was anything that Drainage Board should do to back up Stevenson in stating his concerns about the new maps to DNR. Stevenson said he could draft a letter from Drainage Board. Enright said this brings up the question, what is the role of Drainage Board in regards to the storm water management board.

OBSTRUCTION IN DRAINAGE WAY

Faber asked for an update about an obstruction in Brummetts Creek. Williams said that it is on the list of things to do for the Highway Department.

RAINFALL RUNOFF GAUGES IN ELLETTSVILLE

Dompke had a question about whether there was any new information on the stream gauges installed in Ellettsville. Stevenson said that he would give Todd Royer Dompke's contact information.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Approved: _____

Signed:

Attest:

Scott Dompke, President

Donna Barbrick, Secretary