

PUBLIC HEARING - #73 Strubhar Open
Boone Township

The Cass County Drainage Board held a public hearing for the Strubhar Open #73 on July 5, 2011 at 3:46 p.m. in room 203 of the Cass County Government Building. Those in attendance were members: Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors, Attorney John Hillis, Surveyor, Jenny Clark and Secretary Becky Tocco. Gene Powlen was absent.

Dave Arnold called the meeting to order.

SURVEYOR'S REPORT

The purpose of this hearing is to increase the assessment to \$5.00 in order to repay the borrowed amount from the General Drain Improvement fund in the amount of \$9888.50 and to provide for future maintenance as necessary. The proposed assessment is \$5.00 per acre with a \$5.00 minimum. There are 4,112.19 acres in the watershed.

WRITTEN OBJECTIONS or COMMENTS FILED

There were no objections filed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jerry Cosgray, 6008 N 900 W, Royal Center, IN, wanted to know on average what have we spent in the last 5 years. He claims he has never been able to find out information on the costs, Dave reminded him that has been told he could come in anytime and look through the public records in the Surveyor's office. He said he has been gone and couldn't make it in. He wanted to know if we needed to increase the assessment so much.
Ward Haselby, 9751 W 575 N, Royal Center, IN, feels it is too big of an increase to charge.
John Bauchamp with Friends of the Panhandle Pathway, wanted to know where the ditch crosses the pathway.

ACTIONS OF THE BOARD

Dave Arnold moved to set the assessment rate at \$3.00 / acre and \$5 minimum. Jim Sailors seconded. Motion carried.

Jim Sailors motioned to adopt the Surveyor's Maintenance Report at the lower assessment rate.
Dave Arnold seconded. Motion carried.

Jim Sailors motioned to adopt the Schedule of Assessments for Periodic Maintenance; Dave Arnold seconded. Motion carried.

COLLECTION DATE FOR FIRST INSTALLMENT FOR ASSESSMENT

The first collection will be due with Spring tax installment in 2012.

Jim Sailors motioned to set the proposed date, Dave Arnold seconded. Motion carried.

There being no other business, Jim Sailors motioned, and Dave Arnold seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

Dave S Arnold, President

Rebecca Tocco, Secretary