

**MINUTES OF THE MOROCCO CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
**March 7, 2023**

**Attendance-** King Clark, Bill Smart, Bob Gonczy, and Jason Cornell were in attendance. Clerk Treasurer, Sherri Rainford was also in attendance. Town employees Brian Vanderwall and Lisa Willis was also in attendance. Attorney Dan Blaney and Bill Blaney was in attendance. John Addlesburger also attended meeting.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Bob made a motion to approve the February 7, 2023, minutes and Jason seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

**Treasurers Report:** The balance in the checking account as of 02/28/2023 \$67,262.12.

**Claims:**

1. Knight, Hoppe, Kurnik, and Knight- \$1596.00 (Serrano Claim)
2. Blaney Law Firm \$2,000.00 (1<sup>st</sup> part of retainer)

Bill motioned to pay the claims and Jason seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

**Old Business:**

Lincoln & Beaver Project 302 E Beaver Kessler Family Farm	We want to improve the catch basin and grade the corners. We will place new tile starting west side of field running along edge of field. Brian will check with Yoder's and Ziese's to get estimates on completing the project.	Not done yet- King contacting Accu-Dig or a couple of other options Bob shared idea of digging ditch to drain surface water South of fiber optic to go from culvert going West. Bob made motion to dig from railroad to the West 1000ft from East running West. Jason second motion Brian to check with Josh Deyoung second option will be Steve.
Lareau House 402 S. Lincoln	We will connect their drain to the tile from bottom basement to Indiana. They will need to attend meeting to be notified of work to be done in their yard.	Nothing done yet must locate tile in front and back yard.
Update from Dan regarding Serrano 606 S. Polk	No update – letter sent to their attorney. Bob requested we have a running total of fees paid to Attorney Dan Blaney and Attorney Joe Smith.	Running total as of March 2023 is \$17,672.80
School East Easement	Check catch basin in elementary school alley. – King talked to Casey Ehlinger Board discussed that the alley is town easement. The town will fix the hole and gravel it. If the school	We will tear down the black top and put gravel down. King will get ahold of Steve to see if he still owns his back hoe to use. Steve said gravel or concrete will still crack. King said a funnel may need to be put in

	wants it paved that will need to be done at their own expense.	place. Casey taking information to superintendent. King said may need to re-route busses unless we wait until June.
<p>Mark Dekoker 408 N Lincoln</p>	<p>water on both sides of roads. Kent Sisson fixed old water main 5" to 6" tile next to it could be clogged. We will have to dig up street East of A Frame to Uptains house. Bob said to start at blow out, cut road if need be. Alley &amp; Main Street look bad. Bob wanting Conservancy to pay for paving along with possible grants Nikki is working on. Bob said the town would be responsible for any patches needed in the future. King wants to put 2 inlets in alley 4" – 6" tile by shed. Also wants to run camera from McCanns tile outlets on North side of Washington St – cut once on Washington to find good tile, dig West side of Lincoln. Bob getting quote for paving the alley, and State Street to Washington Street and Clay Street to Main Street.</p>	

**New Business:**

1. There is a sink hole on the corner of West and Grove St. – Brian will dig up once water is gone. Bill said tile is cut. King said to hire Steve to dig and fix.
2. The Board discussed the Serrano lawsuit. After we prove that we are correct on the lawsuit, Attorney Thom Thompson will seek funds for reimbursement for all attorney fees paid in regards to the Serrano suit. This is because our insurance company failed to defend us in this lawsuit.
3. Bill and Dan Blaney attended the meeting relative to the field referred to as the Kessler 25. There are two acres too wet to farm because of an obstructed tile. The tile goes under Michigan Ave. near Dollar General.
4. Sherri explained that audit procedures are underway for 2019, 2020 ,2021 & 2022. Last audit was in 2018.
5. Election of officers voted upon, all positions to stay the same. Motion to approve by Bob and seconded by Nikki.

The next meeting will be on April 4, 2023.

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King Clark, President

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Robert Goczy, Secretary