

**MINUTES OF THE MOROCCO CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
**July 11, 2023**

**Attendance-** King Clark, Bill Smart, Bob Gonczy, Nikki Kimbrell, Clerk Treasurer, Sherri Rainford, Town employees Brian Vanderwall and Lisa Willis were in attendance. Resident Danielle McCann.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Jason made a motion to approve the June 6, 2023, minutes and Bill seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

**Treasurers Report:** The balance in the checking account as of 06/30/2023 \$85,831.83.

**Claims:**

1. Geri & Steve's Carpentry, Washington St. Alley \$375.63
2. Knight Hoppe Kurnik & Knight (Serranos') \$1,341.00

Bill motioned to pay the claims and Nikki seconded. Motion passes 4-0.

**Old Business:**

Lincoln & Beaver Project 302 E Beaver	Completed	Except for the seeding Brian will do.
Kessler Family Farm	Drainage tile located and opened on East side of RR spur.	Bob made motion to start where we ended, go North along the West side of 275. Clean or replace tile until clear tile is reached. Jason seconded. Tiles have been marked with red flags.
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. Meeting next Tuesday to discuss options of correcting drain or using catch basin on West side of house.
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 July 2023 is \$20,426.00
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 wants it paved that will need to be done at their own expense.	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 place. Casey taking information to superintendent. King said may need

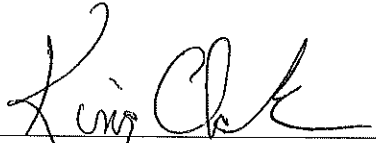
		<p>to re-route busses unless we wait until June. We are still waiting to get ahold of Superintendent. King said this will be taken care of this summer.</p>
<p>Mark Dekoker 408 N Lincoln</p>	<p>water on both sides of roads. Kent Sisson fixed old water main 5" to 6" tile next to it could be clogged. We 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>	<p>In progress on getting this rectified. Digging along street to find tile. Brian has sewer maps. Tile runs on Grove West of Main and crosses Grove. Tile opened by RR, water is no longer being pumped out of house. Suggestions made to dig going North to corner, clean out and go West.</p>
<p>Nick McCann 813 N. Polk</p>	<p>Inquired on drain for his property.</p>	<p>Attorney Dan Blaney said it is land owners' responsibility to run tile from house through property to meet and connect to tile we would need to put in on Polk Street. Several different options were also discussed to help with drainage including cleaning out or moving of ditches, which County and State will need to be contacted beforehand. King spoke to representatives from state highways and state engineers. However, due to elevation from water level, they normally do not get involved unless water is on road. They requested 30 days to look into it. State associate from Laporte will be digging ditch line along 41 looking to put a swell in.</p>

<p>Council of Aging Community Service Building 102 E State</p>	<p>Creating proper drainage</p>	<p>Putting in 3 manholes First one corner of alley, second down Washington and Main, third in alley of Washington and Walker. Town will help with perimeter of property and redo sidewalks. Yoder Drainage brought in quote. Bob made motion to accept the bid as long as tile on Washington is inspected first. Nikki seconded motion. Bid will be included with these minutes</p>
<p>Ditch &amp; Culvert on easement of 508 S Polk</p>	<p>Filling in Ditch</p>	<p>We will be filling in ditch corner of Michigan &amp; Polk, and Lincoln &amp; dock. Bob made motion to start and Nikki seconded.</p>


**New Business:**

1. Discussed removing trees at the end of Main Street, North of Grove in the ravine in Blaney's field on RR right-a-way. King will get a price for the boards review. If approved a new tile will be hooked to existing. King met with John Anderson to spray trees along 114 by Dollar General, Shirer's and Blaney's fields. Bob will flag trees that are to be untouched. Cost of project \$3,700.00. Bob made motion to accept, Nikki seconded.
  - 1a. John Anderson completed the spraying of trees.
2. Numbering catch basins – Randy suggests start at outlets and work backwards.
3. King has three ongoing projects one on Polk Street currently unable to get camera through 2<sup>nd</sup> is West of Washington Street corner of Ricks but can only get through 40ft and 3<sup>rd</sup> is Mark Dekoker property.
4. Sherri attended a virtual budget meeting confirming amount will remain the same.
5. IamGIS representative will be coming out to work on GPS system.
6. Bob discussed putting tile down Clay Street to Indiana Street and will get quotes on replacing the sidewalks
7. Fiber Optics will soon be installed near the library, they will be notified of tile running from the school on College to West Street.
8. Duke Gagnon sent in information regarding his concerns of rain water running in front of the U-lock down Chestnut. He wanted to know if the Town Board can do something to stop it. Bob is requesting Duke to come up with a proposal for the board to discuss.

The next meeting will be on August 1st, 2023.



King Clark, President



Robert Goczy, Secretary