

Mary's River Estates Road District Meeting

Date: May 9, 2024 Zoom meeting hosted by Joe

Meeting will be recorded for the purpose of note taking by secretary. Recording will be kept for one year on personal computer and approved written minutes will be kept on website indefinitely.

Attendees: Joe Chambers (President), Sandy Chapman (Secretary), (Debbie Jackson, treasurer), Kevin Cornelius, Adam Schultz, James Roush, Yvett Spitz, John Buskirk

Call to Order: 7:00 PM by Joe,

Additions/Deletions to agenda: None

Review minutes/approval: April 11, 2024: Spelling changes to the minutes noted. [Debbie moves we accept the minutes with corrections.](#) [Sandy seconds.](#) [Joe: All in favor? All Commissioners agree.](#)

Financial Report and mail: Report by Debbie Mail received from K&D engineering for invoice for surveying on Daisy Drive. Invoice dated 3-30-24 and did not get received until after mid-April. Seems it was lost in the mail. Debbie paid this to get it on this months' financials. Further billings were asked to be sent to Secretary Sandy's email along with a hard copy via postal service so payment will not be delayed in the future. Debbie screenshared financials for 7/1/23-05/07/24, which will be added to permanent record on website and will be sent out via google groups email with approved minutes each month. [Joe moves we accept the financials as stated.](#) [Sandy seconds.](#) [Joe: All in favor? All Commissioners agree.](#)

Open Forum: NONE

Review of Action items:

Tansy signs: Sandy called Benton Co. Public Works to ask if there was any other person besides Chris Baillie in charges of making the signs for the road district. There is and she was supposed to get a call from them, but no one has called. The "NO MOTORIZED VEHICLE" and "NO TRESSPASSING" signs and seven speed limit signs are maybe being made. Chris may be back from paternity leave in another month now. If these signs are going to be enough, we may not have to put up a barricade. John Buskirk is new to our meetings and an explanation of the signs are given as he lives at the property the signs are to be placed. He will be involved in the placement. He suggests that the signs be placed at the end of the pavement so his driveway does not become a turn-around. John asks if there are thoughts to finish Tansy Road out? Answer: Sandy says No, oh no. It would be a big under taking if we could. Joe explains that it has not made it into a budget discussion. We would have to save a great sum of money to get it done with widening of the road and engineering work, and it is too steep in places. If it were to be done it would be graveled at best.

Speed limit signs: Included in Tansy signs.

Scheduled grass mowing: Road side grass mowing is scheduled for June 3 and 4th. Northwest Tractor services uses an articulating mower that goes over the edge and into ditches.

Ditches, gravel and grading Iris: James, the contractor says the ditching is done. Gravel is 90% done. Things are a bit dryer than he wanted to see, but not so that he is concerned. There were four trucks running all day with half-hour turn around time, 60 loads of gravel came in. He will grade and compact on Friday.

Tansy large cracks: At last meeting Sandy said the cracks were not that bad on Tansy and she went back last week and saw that someone has gone and crack sealed the large major cracks on

Tansy. No knowledge of who has done it. John was asked if he had any knowledge of this and he said no. **Action Item: Sandy will ask other residence on Tansy if they have any knowledge of how/who did the work and then ask the main land owner Hartz if they did it. Ron Hartz has recently died so we will need to go to next of kin.** Debbie states that it is the road districts right and responsibility to do that work, not that we would have rejected a gift from people to do it, but it is important to know what is being done. Again, it was discussed that Benton County signed off on Tansy as being done to county standards and they will not come up and look at it again to give the road district any insight into what needs to be done to maintain the road.

Chip Seal on Hill: Sandy says there still has not been any further communication from Frank at Blacktop NW. She went on the CCB, Contractors Construction Board, website and found on the site a complaint form that is a "30-day notice of intent to file a complaint with the CCB". When filled out and sent via certified mail, it starts a process through CCB that can instigate communication from the contractor. The contractor does not have to receive this certified mail, the proof that its being sent by certified mail is enough to start the complaint process. Next steps is that by sending this notice of intent to file a complaint, that the contractor will contact us and try to work out an agreement. If that cannot be done then after 30 days, we file a complaint and that opens up for the CCB to arrange mediation with all parties. If we cannot agree then we will have to go to court. The complaint with the CCB opens up access to the \$20,000.00 bond that a licensed contractor has. We also have to have a certified judgment by the court in our favor to get access to the bond. The contractor is responsible for the whole amount of the cost of the construction project though. We need to go to court if no agreement can be reached with the company. The pictures and any information is not needed for CCB determination, only for court. CCB said we do not have to build a case for CCB. **Sandy makes a motion that we send a certified letter to BlackTop NW LLC with the 30-day notice of intent to file a complaint with CCB.** We have one year from end of project construction to file a complaint. **Debbie seconds the motion. Joe: all in favor? All commissioners agree.** It was asked why a person would not be able to get a license and CCB said for felony and construction debts. It was also added by resident that a person would have a license in a wife's name for bidding on government contracts as a minority owned business.

Daisy Drive update: Email was sent to K&D asking if plans for the Daisy Drive repair are coming along. The bill was not received from K&D for work that was done in March and payment was delayed. Payment has been sent now, but no response from K&D has been received about when the plans will be done.

Traffic count survey: A few weeks ago, Benton County sent Sandy an email saying that a traffic count could be done if we wanted one, but we would have to decide which road to count the traffic on either Daisy or Iris. There was problem with the equipment at the time. Kevin saw black lines across the road a few days ago on Daisy Drive about 1/4 and 3/4 of the way down. We are wondering if a count has already been done? **ACTION ITEM: Check with Benton County on if they conducted a traffic count on Daisy.**

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned: 7:47