MINUTES OF THE MOROCCO CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
August 6, 2024

Attendance- Bob Gonczy, King Clark, Bill Smart, Jason Cornell, Nikki Kimbrell, Clerk Treasurer Sherri Rainford, and town employees Brian Vanderwall and Lisa Willis. Bruce Cunningham and Kathy Whaley observing.

Approval of the Minutes: Bob made a motion to approve the July 2, 2024 minutes and Jason seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Treasurers Report: The balance in the checking account as of 07/31/2024 $24,283.68

Claims:

1. Yoder Drainage (Tile repair) $2,000.00
2. Newton County Enterprise (Advertising budget hearing) $84.32

Bob made motion to pay claims, Nikki seconded. Motion passed 5-0

Old Business:

Kessler Family Farm	Drainage tile located and opened on East side of RR spur.	Completed. Kessler Family thanks the Conservancy Board
Lareau House 402 S. Lincoln	We have amended the project. See new business.	
Update from Dan regarding Serrano 606 S. Polk	Held an executive session before the regular meeting. Bill will contact Joe Smith with our thoughts.	Running total as of July 2024 is $28,599.70
School East Easement	Check catch basin in elementary school alley. – King talked to Casey Ehlinger. The board discussed that the alley is a 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 backhoe 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 to re-route buses unless we wait until June. We are still waiting to get ahold of Superintendent. King said this will be taken care of this summer.
Mark Dekoker 408 N. Lincoln	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 the street East of A Frame to Uptains house. Bob said to start at blow out, cut road if need be. Alley & Main Street look bad. Bob wants 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	In progress on getting this rectified. Digging along the 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.

Mark Dekoker 4008 N Lincoln *(Continued)*	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.	
Nick McCann 813 N. Polk	Inquired on drain for his property.	Attorney Dan Blaney said it is landowners' 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 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 investigate it. State associate from Laporte will be digging ditch line along 41 looking to put a swell in. King will contact State Rep tomorrow for update. McCann will find tile next to Indiana St and then we will come in.
Patterson Tile Project 413 S. Clay	Install a good tile on Indiana St. to correct the drainage issues with the houses on Clay St. This tile would run north and south. We would also put in a catch basin on Wabash Ave. We will have Josh Yoder do the work. The town will pay for the project and the individual homeowners will pay the town for hooking into the tile.	New tile laid; property owners need to decide if they want to pay the expense to attach to our tile.
Southlake County Machine Corp. 112 N. Polk	Tile and Sinkhole	Sucked out gravel from tile. Manhole on Washington has sinkhole. Filled with gravel from State to Washington.
Karen Vanderwall 3967 S 275 W	Clear Tile	Nikki will speak to Brian Warren, Karen will research drawings.

New Business:

1. Walking path chain link fence has been removed. Nikki made motion to replace with 4ft wooden fence, Jason seconded.

The next meeting will be on September 3rd, 2024.

King Clark, President

Robert Gonczy, Secretary