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January 14, 2005

Hamilton County Drain Board

Re: Ingerman/Lockwood Drain

Upon review of the drainage sheds, I believe that the drainage sheds for the A. F. Ingerman and the J. W. Lockwood should be combined into one shed. The Lockwood Drain outlets into the Ingerman Drain before entering White River.

The A. F. Ingerman was placed on maintenance in 1970 and is located in Jackson and Noblesville Townships.

The current rate for the A. F. Ingerman Drain is \$2.00 per acre, \$6.00 minimum and \$6.00 per platted lot. There are 1,939.6 acres assessed and brings in \$4,204.46 per year. The current maintenance balance in the fund is \$18,756.40. There are no outstanding work orders for this drain at this time.

The James Lockwood Drain was placed on maintenance in 1980 and is located in Jackson, Noblesville and White River Townships. Currently the drain has 621.15 acres and 19 lots assessed. The drain has an annual assessment of \$3,022.40 and the current maintenance fund balance is \$3,896.47. There are no current work orders outstanding at this time.

The rates for the Lockwood Drain were increased by the Board per my report dated January 19, 2001 and approved by the Board at hearing on March 26, 2004 (Drainage Board Minutes Book 6, Pages 13 and 14). Those rates are as follows:

1. Maintenance assessment for roads and streets be set at \$10.00 per acre.
2. Maintenance assessment for agricultural tracts be set at \$2.00 per acres with a \$15.00 minimum.
3. Maintenance assessment for non-platted residential tracts be set at \$2.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum.
4. Maintenance assessment for commercial, institutional and multi-family residential tracts be set at \$10.00 per acre with a \$50.00 minimum.

5. Maintenance assessment for platted lots in subdivisions whose drainage systems will not be part of the regulated drain (those systems maintained by the Town of Cicero or City of Noblesville) shall be set at \$35.00 per lot/minimum. Common areas within non-regulated drain subdivisions shall be assessed at \$5.00 per acre with a \$35.00 minimum.
6. Maintenance assessment for platted lots within subdivisions whose drainage system will be part of the regulated drain shall be set at \$65.00 per lot/minimum. Common areas within the regulated drain subdivisions shall be set at \$10.00 per acre with a \$65.00 minimum.

The tracts now assessed for the A. F. Ingerman Drain should have their assessment increased to reflect the rates of the Lockwood Drain.

The following tracts should be assessed as commercial, institutional and multi-family residential:

Parcel	Owner	Acres in Tract	Acres Benefited	Assessment
05-06-01-04-05-003.000	Sethi, Meena K. Ashok K.	3.48	1.48	\$ 50.00
03-06-01-00-00-017.001	Town of Cicero	1.73	1.73	\$ 50.00
10-06-13-00-00-007.001	PSI Energy, Inc.	2.8	2.8	\$ 50.00
10-07-18-00-00-021.001	Sentinel Storage, Inc.	5.18	5.18	\$ 51.80
10-07-18-00-00-020.000	Bolden Development, LLC	20	20	\$200.00
10-07-18-00-00-019.000	Powers, Frank B & Delores M	19.7	19.7	\$197.00
10-07-19-00-00-033.001	Indiana American Water	8.93	8.0	\$ 80.00
10-07-17-00-00-023.002	Bethel Evangelical Lutheran	9.46	9.46	\$ 94.60
10-07-19-00-00-024.000	Ernst, Christopher	9.2	3.0	\$ 50.00

The total annual assessment for this will be \$9,044.18.

I recommend that the Board combine these drains for maintenance purposes under IC 36-9-27-41. The current balances in the Ingerman and Lockwood Drains be addressed by:

1. Transferring the balances of the current A. F. Ingerman and J. W. Lockwood funds to the proposed Ingerman/Lockwood Drain Maintenance Fund.
2. All future maintenance work on the A. F. Ingerman and the J. W. Lockwood Drains should be paid from the proposed Ingerman/Lockwood Drain Maintenance Fund.

I recommend that a hearing be held for this matter on April 25, 2005.

Sincerely,



Kenton C. Ward  
Hamilton County Surveyor

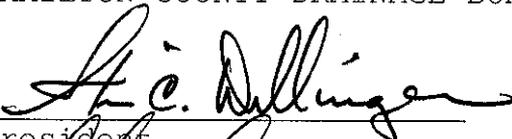
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**FINDINGS AND ORDER**  
**CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE**  
**Ingerman/Lockwood Drain**

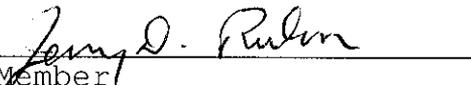
On this *25th day of April 2005*, the Hamilton County Drainage Board has held a hearing on the Maintenance Report and Schedule of Assessments of the *Ingerman/Lockwood Drain*.

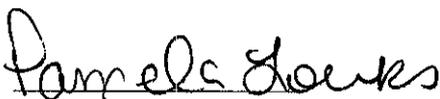
Evidence has been heard. Objections were presented and considered. The Board then adopted the original/amended Schedule of Assessments. The Board now finds that the annual maintenance assessment will be less than the benefits to the landowners and issues this order declaring that this Maintenance Fund be established.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

  
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President

  
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Member

  
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Member

Attest: 

Hamilton County Drainage Board  
One Hamilton County Square, Ste.188  
Noblesville, IN 46060

April 13,2005



RE: Assessment Rate Increase

I, Steven Mayhew of Cumberland Manor 3<sup>rd</sup> Lot 19, am opposed to such a drastic increase in the drain maintenance. The officials in charge should be more responsible to the general public in asking for such increases. Believe I pay \$7.50 now and to run up to \$35.00 in a single vote is unreal. Place a zero or two behind there figures and go into business with the general public and you would be awaiting for the phone to ring. Who do we vote for a more balanced operation. A modest rate hike is reasonable....but this is not acceptable in any form of business. A few modest increases...yes...Four more years and a sudden jump to \$80.00.....???

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steven Mayhew".

Ingerman/Lockwood Drain

OFFICE OF  
**HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD**

Notice of Hearing to Establish Annual Assessments for the Periodic Maintenance of The  
 Ingerman & Lockwood Drain, Combine Sheds & Assessment Rate Increase.

Mayhew, Steven  
 P O Box 201  
 Noblesville, IN 46061

You are hereby notified that the maintenance report of the County Surveyor and the schedule of assessments made by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the County Surveyor.

The Surveyor has estimated that the annual cost of periodically maintaining the drain is \$9,044.18 and that the schedule shows you are the owner of the following lands:

Description	Description	Current Acres	Current Asmnt.	Combined Sheds Ac	Combined Sheds	% of Asmnt.
10-07-20-00-00-057.000		Benefited	Asmnt.	Benefited	Asmnt.	Asmnt.
Cumberland Manor 3rd Lot 19	Lockwood Arm	One Lot	\$35.00	One Lot	\$35.00	0.39%

A hearing will be held by the Drainage Board in Commissioner's Court at 9:25 A.M. on April 25, 2005 on the Surveyor's maintenance report and the schedule of assessments. The law requires that objections must be written and filed not less than five (5) days before the above hearing on the ground that benefits assessed are excessive. Written evidence in support of objections may also be filed. The failure of any owner to file an objection constitutes a waiver of his right to thereafter object on such ground to any final action of the Board. On or before the hearing date the Surveyor or any owner of lands named in the schedule of assessments may cause written evidence to be filed in support of or in rebuttal to any objection filed.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
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This drain shall be designated as an Urban Drain.



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April 21, 2005

Steven Mayhew  
P.O. Box 201  
Noblesville, IN 46061

Re: Ingerman & Lockwood Drain

Upon review of the objection dated April 13, 2005, I would like to point out two items which you may have missed on the notice. First, the assessment for the Lockwood Drain was increased to \$35.00 on March 26, 2004. Secondly, there is no change in your assessment with this proposal.

If you should have any further questions concerning this matter please contact the office for assistance at 317-776-8495.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Ward', written over a horizontal line.

Kenton C. Ward  
Hamilton County Surveyor

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