

MERRIAM DRAINAGE DISTRICT
OF JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
April 7, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Merriam Drainage District of Johnson County, Kansas, was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mr. Jackson at Higdon & Hale 6310 Lamar Ave #110, Overland Park, KS.

Eric Jackson, Chairman
Dan Leap, Secretary
Jeff Weisbender, Treasurer

John Martin, CPA
Steve Roth, Engineer
Jim Orr, Attorney
Rebecca Heatwole, Reporting Secretary
Guest: Jason Silvers
Billy Croan

Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve March 3, 2025 as written; seconded by Mr. Leap; unanimously passed.

1) Engineering Report:

- Mr. Roth informed the board that Catch-It traps caught groundhogs on 4 separate days, but he is unsure of the total number of animals caught. He advised that the traps have been placed in the same spots and one behind KC Strings. Mr. Leap informed that the high winds may be setting off the traps and thought that Mr. Roth should let them know.
- Mr. Roth informed the board that the regular scheduled meetings for the COE Turkey Creek Project have been cancelled. He will be attending the meeting where they will review the design plan and determine if they will deviate from the original plan.
- Mr. Roth met with Max Rieke they are working to schedule the wall repair on West bank North of the Farmer's Market, removing trees, and filling holes; no start date was given.

2) Attorney Report:

- Nothing to report.

3) Accountant Report:

- Mr. Martin informed the board that he is just getting through the 1st Qtr financials and will have them for the board at the May meeting. He mentioned the board would need to begin thinking about the 2026 budget and determining upcoming projects.
- Mr. Martin informed the board that he hasn't heard of anything that has changed that would affect MDD tax distributions, though there may be a cap for tax appraisals, but he doesn't think it has gone into effect.

4) Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve the April bills as presented; seconded by Mr. Leap; unanimously passed.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 P.M. was made by Mr. Jackson; seconded by Mr. Leap; unanimously passed.

cc: Board and staff

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Heatwole
Recording Secretary