

# Savage Drain

## Board of Determination

Albee Township Hall

November 12, 2019

6:00 PM



**Brian J. Wendling**

**Saginaw County Public Works Commissioner**

# Meeting Agenda

- I. Introduction
- II. Opening of Board of Determination Meeting
- III. Outline of the Board of Determination Procedure
- IV. Drain Facts
- V. Public Testimony - (3 minutes per person.)
- VI. Vote of Board of Determination
- VII. Appeal Procedures and Closing Comments
- VIII. Adjournment

# Role of the B.O.D.

- The Board of Determination's role is to make one decision:
  1. Whether the project is necessary



# Role of B.O.D. (cont.)

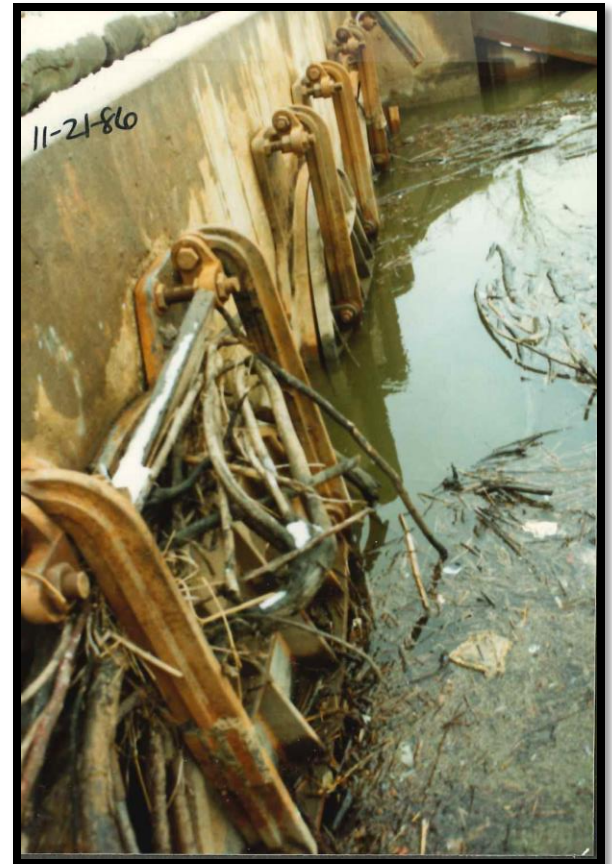
- The Board of Determination DOES NOT decide:
  - ▣ The scope of the project
  - ▣ The cost of the project
  - ▣ How much property owners and municipalities are assessed for the project

Information on these topics will be made available at a later date. Please see a member of the Public Works Commissioner's staff after the meeting if you have questions.

# Public Comment

The speaking order will be on a first come, first served basis. Petitioner will have a chance to speak first.

- State your full name and address. Spell your last name for the court reporter.
- Limit comments to 3 minutes.



# Public Comment (cont.)

- Briefly state your position on the petition for the Savage Drain. For example: “I support the petition for the Savage Drain because . . .” or “I oppose the petition for the Savage Drain because . . . .”
- Remember to stay on topic! Comments for tonight’s meeting are limited to the current petition for the Savage Drain only.
- The Public Works Commissioner’s staff will gladly speak with you on other topics after the conclusion of tonight’s meeting.



# Savage Drain - Bueche Road





# Drain Facts

- Where is the Savage Drain?
  - ▣ See Map – Draft Drainage District Boundary
  - ▣ Approximately 34,826 feet long (6.6 miles)
  - ▣ Watershed area: Approximately 9,527 acres
- What is the drainage district?
  - ▣ Lands that contributes storm water to drain
  - ▣ Drainage District serves as the special assessment district
  - ▣ Savage Drain Drainage District includes:
    - Albee Township
    - Spaulding Township
    - Taymouth Township
    - Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)
    - Huron and Eastern Railroad
    - Saginaw County
    - Landowners – Approximately 830 parcels

# Drain Facts Continued

- Savage Drain was established as a county drain in 1907.
- The drain was cleaned out via petition in 1916, 1926, 1931, 1974 (full drain cleanout from Misteguay Creek to Willard Road) & 1997 (Dike Restoration).
- Portions of drain were sprayed for brush in summer 2019.
- The current petition was filed on March 5, 2019 by Albee Township.

# Savage Drain Side - Outlets to the Misteguay Creek IC Drain



# Savage Drain Outlet - Misteguay Creek IC Drain



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# Bueche Road Bridge over the Savage Drain





# Summary of Drain Finances

- ❑ Spent approximately \$2,000 to spray portions of the drain for brush in 2019.
- ❑ Drain account currently has approximately -\$1,996.
- ❑ Currently plan to assess \$2,000 to entire drainage district to be placed on 2019 winter taxes.

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# Appeal Process

## **Section 280.72a Judicial determination of necessity; filing of action.**

Sec. 72a. Whenever the board of determination finds by majority vote of the whole number of members that the drain is or is not necessary, any person feeling aggrieved by the determination may institute an action in the **circuit court** for the county in which the real property is located for a determination of necessity. The action shall be filed by the person aggrieved within **10 days after** the determination of necessity or no necessity by the board of determination.