

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE

# Hamilton County

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*One Hamilton County Square*  
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January 5, 2011

To: Hamilton County Drainage Board

Re: Sly Run Drain, Bliss Johnson Arm

Upon review of the drainage sheds, I believe that the Bliss Johnson Drain should be made an arm to the Sly Run Drain as the Bliss Johnson Drain is a tributary to the Sly Run Drain. This would also avoid a double assessment on the tracts currently assessed for the Bliss Johnson Drain when the remainder of the Sly Run Drain is assessed for maintenance.

The Bliss Johnson Drain was created per the viewers report dated July 27, 1940 and approved by Hamilton County Circuit Court. At present the Bliss Johnson Drain maintenance assessment affects 345.34 acres and 333 lots. The rate of assessment for the drain is set at \$10.00 per acre for roads, and \$2.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum for residential and agricultural, \$5.00 per acre with a \$35.00 minimum for unregulated subdivision, \$10.00 per acre with a \$65.00 minimum for regulated subdivisions, \$10.00 per acre with a \$75.00 minimum for commercial. This rate collects \$13,980.94 annually and the balance within the fund is \$79,579.10. There are no outstanding work orders for this drain at this time.

The current maintenance assessment will revise as per the rates set for the Sly Run Drain which are as follows:

1. Maintenance assessment for roads and streets are set at \$10.00 per acre.
2. Maintenance assessment for agricultural tracts are set at \$2.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum.

3. Maintenance assessment for non-platted residential tracts are set at \$2.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum.
4. Maintenance assessment for commercial, institutional and multi-family residential tracts are set at \$10.00 per acre with a \$75.00 minimum.
5. Maintenance assessment for platted lots in subdivisions whose drainage systems will not be part of the regulated drain 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.

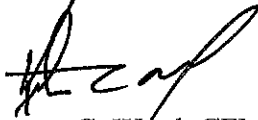
The total annual assessment for this arm will be \$13,980.94.

The current balance of the Bliss Johnson Drain shall be kept separate and these funds expended for needed maintenance on the Bliss Johnson Drain. This shall be done until the funds are exhausted. At that time funding for repairs shall then be taken from the Sly Run Drain fund. Collections for the Sly Run Drain will begin May 2012.

Future assessments for the drainage area of the Bliss Johnson Drain will be made into the Sly Run Drain fund. No further maintenance collections for the Bliss Johnson Drain shall be made.

I recommend that the Board set a hearing for this consolidation for February 28, 2011.

Sincerely,



Kenton C. Ward, CFM  
Hamilton County Surveyor

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FINDINGS AND ORDER


CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE

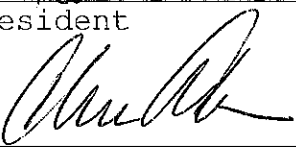
SLY RUN DRAIN, BLISS JOHNSON ARM

On this **28th day of FEBRUARY, 2011**, the Hamilton County Drainage Board has held a hearing on the Maintenance Report and Schedule of Assessments of the **Sly Run Drain, Bliss Johnson Arm**


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: 

**SLY RUN DRAIN, BLISS JOHNSON ARM**

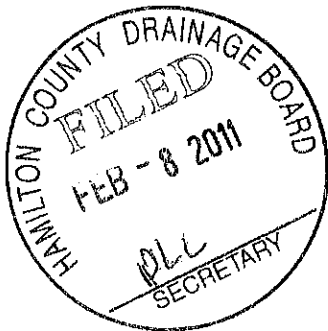
Property Owner	Parcel Number	Current Benefit	Current Assessment	Sly Run Benefit	Sly Run Assessment	% of Total
Clifford, Ronald E.	11-06-27-00-08-025.000	One Lot	\$35.00	One Lot	\$35.00	0.25%
Reding, Terry G. & Diann L.	11-06-27-00-05-049.000	One Lot	\$35.00	One Lot	\$35.00	0.25%
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>2 Lots</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>	<b>2 Lots</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>	<b>0.50%</b>

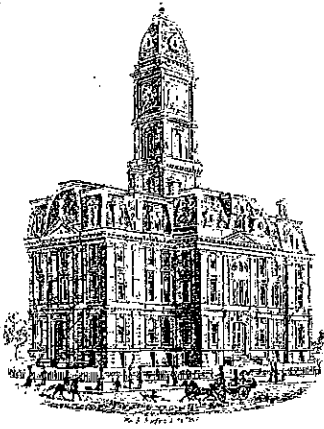
Pam L. Louks

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**From:** ron clifford [blueduckballoons@att.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 08, 2011 1:12 PM  
**To:** Surveyor  
**Subject:** bliss johnson drain

i object to this whole thing ...its just another way for the county to get in are pockets.....ron clifford  
18763 pilotmills drive.noblesville..in 46062





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February 25, 2011

Ronald E. Clifford  
18763 Pilot Mills Drive  
Noblesville, IN 46062

Re: Sly Run Drain, Bliss Johnson Arm

I am in receipt of your objection dated February 8, 2011. Please be aware that you are currently assessed to the Bliss Johnson Drain. Your current rate of assessment, as noted on your notice is \$35.00 annually. The Bliss Johnson Drain is being collapsed into the Sly Run Drainage Shed. The annual assessment as noted on your notice for the Sly Run Drain will be \$35.00. As the notice states, along with the Surveyor's Report which is accessible through the web site noted in bold on the bottom of the notice, the landowners assessed to the Bliss Johnson will no longer be assessed for that drain. Therefore, your total future assessment will be \$35.00 which is the same as your current total assessment.

Sincerely,

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Hamilton County Surveyor

OFFICE OF

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

Notice of Hearing to Establish Annual Assessments for the Periodic Maintenance of the  
**Sly Run Drain, Bliss Johnson Arm.**

Clifford, Ronald E  
18763 Pilot Mills Dr  
Noblesville, IN 46062

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The Surveyor has estimated that the annual cost of periodically maintaining the entire drain is \$13,980.94. The schedule of assessments shows you are the owner of tracts within the drainage shed. The following is your pro rata share for each tract and the proposed annual assessment for those tracts. This assessment is not a charge for services associated with regulating the quality of storm water within your city or town.

Description: 11-06-27-00-08-025.000	Current Bliss Johnson Drain Benefit	Current Bliss Johnson Drain Assessment	Proposed Sly Run Drain Benefit	Proposed Sly Run Drain Assessment	Percentage of total assessment
Mill Grove 6B Lot 328	One Lot	\$35.00	One Lot	\$35.00	0.25%
Un-reg. Subd.					

Parcels assessed to Bliss Johnson will be assessed to Sly Run instead of Bliss Johnson when it becomes an arm to Sly Run.

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**TERRY and DIANN REDING**  
18776 Mill Grove Drive  
Noblesville, IN 46062  
317-607-1734



**February 18, 2011**

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

**Re: Objection to Assessment for Maintenance of Sly Run Drain, Bliss Johnson Arm**

**Dear Sir or Madam:**

Please let this letter serve as our objection to your assessment for the periodic maintenance of the Sly Run Drain, Bliss Johnson Arm. Your letter states our assessment covers One Lot and is 0.25%. The amount assessed is \$35.00. We feel that this amount is excessive and request that it be reduced.

**Sincerely,**

**Terry Reding**

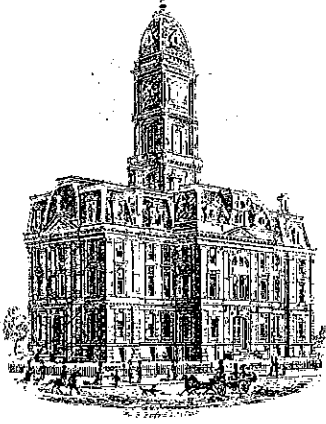
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Terry Reding".

**Diann Reding**

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Lee, Andrew D & Theresa C  
18803 Pilot Mills Dr  
Noblesville, IN 46062

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Description: 11-06-27-00-08-021.000	Current Bliss Johnson Drain Benefit	Current Bliss Johnson Drain Assessment	Proposed Sly Run Drain Benefit	Proposed Sly Run Drain Assessment	Percentage of total assessment
Mill Grove 6B Lot 324	One Lot	\$35.00	One Lot	\$35.00	0.25%
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RETURNED

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Northrop, Paul B & Ronda K.  
 6073 Dado Dr  
 Noblesville, IN 46062

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Description: 11-06-27-00-05-057.000	Current Bliss Johnson Drain Benefit	Current Bliss Johnson Drain Assessment	Proposed Sly Run Drain Benefit	Proposed Sly Run Drain Assessment	Percentage of total assessment
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Oates, Michele A  
5873 Crosscut Ln  
Noblesville, IN 46062

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BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF

***Sly Run Drain, Bliss Johnson Arm***

NOTICE

To Whom It May Concern and: Northrop, Paul B. & Ronda K  
Lee, Anderew D & Theresa C  
Oates, Michele A

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the **Sly Run Drain, Bliss Johnson Arm** on **February 28, 2011** at **9:05 A.M.** in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, and which construction and maintenance reports of the 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 Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Pamela Louks

ONE TIME ONLY

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF THE

**SLY RUN DRAIN, BLISS JOHNSON ARM**

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 405 of the 1965 Indiana Drainage Code that this Board, prior to final adjournment on **February 28, 2011** has issued an order adopting the Schedule of Assessments, filed the same and made public announcement thereof at the hearing and ordered publication. If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Article Eight of this code within twenty (20) days from the date of this publication, the order shall be conclusive.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh

ONE TIME ONLY