

Record of proceedings in the matter of the Ditch Improvement petitioned for by John and Mary Grassley and located in Jefferson Township, Madison County Ohio.

Ditch Petition.

Filed August 25th 1899.

West Jefferson, Ohio.

Petition for location, construction & tiling of a Ditch

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Madison County Ohio: The undersigned owners of lots and land which will be drained or benefited by the improvement herein prayed for, hereby make application to your honorable body, and now file with the Auditor of said county, this their petition and now and hereby pray for the location and construction and tiling of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the improvement is that it will drain and reclaim the lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto and will promote the public health, convenience and welfare.

The following is the beginning route and termini of said proposed improvement, to wit:

Commencing on the lands of Eliza S. Renner in the Township of Jefferson, County of Madison and State of Ohio, about 15 or 20 rods north of the National pike; Thence with the line of an old ditch or as near as practicable with the same, through the lands of said Renner in a north or north-westerly direction to the line of John and Mary Grassley; Thence with said old ditch through the lands of said Grassley, in a northerly direction to the mouth of said old tile ditch; Thence through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly direction with an old open ditch or waterway to the Little Miami Railroad; Thence across said railroad to the lands of Owen Harbage; Thence with said old ditch or waterway through the lands of said Harbage in a northerly direction to the junction of said old ditch or waterway with another old open ditch or run; Thence through the lands of said Harbage in an easterly direction with said ditch or run far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet.

The names of all persons and corporations, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioners are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows:

Eliza S. Renner,	Owen Harbage,	John and Mary Grassley,
W. R. Hunter,	Henry Wilson,	Little Miami Railroad.

John and Mary Grassley } Petitioners.

Petitioners Bond.

Filed August 25th 1899.

Know all men by these presents, that John and Mary Grassley as principal and George Keller and Henry Bennett as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio in the penal sum of Two Hundred Dollars, good and lawful money, for which we bind ourselves, and our heirs, executors and administrators.

Signed and dated this 17th day of August, A.D. 1899.

The condition of the above obligation is such, nevertheless, that whereas, that on the 25th day of August, A.D. 1899, the above bounden John Grassley and Mary Grassley made application to the Commissioners of Madison County, and on said day filed with the Auditor of said County, and petitioned for location and construction and tiling of a ditch in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, on the following route and termini, to wit:

Commencing at a point on the lands of Eliza S. Renner, in the Township of Jefferson, County of Madison and State of Ohio, about 15 or 20 rods north of the National pike; thence with the line of an old ditch or as near as practicable with the same, through the lands of said Renner in a north or northwesterly direction to the line of John and Mary Grassley; thence with said old ditch through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly direction to the mouth of said old tile ditch; thence through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly direction with an old open ditch or waterway to the Little Miami Rail Road; thence across said railroad to the land of Owen Starbage; thence with said old ditch or waterway through the lands of said Starbage in a northerly direction to the junction of said old ditch or waterway with another old ditch or run; thence through the lands of said Starbage in an easterly direction with said ditch or run, far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet.

Now if the above bounden John Grassley and Mary Grassley shall pay all costs if the prayer of said petition be not granted, or if for any other cause the same shall be dismissed then this obligation shall be void.

The above bond and sureties thereon,
are approved by me this 25th day of
August A. D. 1899.

John Grassley
Mary Grassley
George Keller
Henry Bennett

W. D. Wilson,

County Auditor

Per Geo. W. Clark, Deputy.

Stamp

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Notice to Commissioners of Petition filed and time for Hearing.
Office of Auditor of Madison County, Ohio, August 25th 1899.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of said County:
Gentlemen: You are hereby notified that a petition and bond for a Ditch Improvement has been filed in this office on the 25th day of August, A. D. 1899, a copy of which is attached below; and as required by law, I have fixed the 16th day of Sept. A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the beginning of said proposed ditch described in said petition, for your hearing of said matter.

W. D. Wilson, Auditor

per B.

Copy of Ditch Petition.

London, Ohio, August 25th 1899. Petition for location, construction & tiling of a Ditch.
 To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio:
 The undersigned owners of lots and lands which will be drained or benefited by the improvement herein prayed for, hereby make application to your honorable body, and now file with the Auditor of said County, this, their petition and now and hereby pray for the location, construction and tiling of a ditch on the route hereinafter set forth.

The necessity for and the benefits of the improvement so prayed for is that it will drain and reclaim the lands along the line thereof and adjacent thereto, and will promote the public health, convenience and welfare.

The following is the beginning route and termini of said proposed improvement to wit:

Commencing at a point on the lands of Eliza S. Remer, in the Township of Jefferson, County of Madison and State of Ohio, about 15 or 20 rods north of the National pike; thence with the line of an old tile ditch or as near as practicable with the same, through the lands of said Remer in a north or northwesterly direction to the line of John and Mary Grassley; thence with said old ditch through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly to the mouth of said old tile ditch; thence through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly direction with an old open ditch or waterway to the Little Miami Rail Road; thence across said railroad to the land of Owen Harbage; thence with said old ditch or water way through the lands of said Harbage in a northerly direction to the junction of said old ditch or waterway with another old ditch or run; thence through the lands of said Harbage in an easterly direction with said ditch or run, or far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet:

The names of all persons, either public or private, who in the opinion of the petitioners are in any way affected or benefited thereby are as follows:

Eliza S. Remer,
 C. R. Hunter,
 Owen Harbage,

Henry Wilson
 John & Mary Grassley.
 Little Miami Railroad.

John and Mary Grassley } Petitioners.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Ditch Petition, filed in my office on the 25th day of August, 1899.

H. D. Wilson
 County Auditor
 per B.

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, August 25th 1899.

Board of Commissioners met today in special session.
Members present, James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson and Chas. G. Markley.
In the matter of the }
Ditch Imp. Petitioned for } Notice of filing of petition and time fixed for hearing
by John and Mary Grassley. }

The County Auditor having delivered to this Board a certified copy of a petition filed with him on the 25th day of August, 1899, signed by John Grassley and Mary Grassley, praying for the location, construction and tiling of a County ditch between the termini and along the route stated below, to wit:

Beginning at a point on the lands of Eliza S. Remer in the Township of Jefferson, County of Madison and State of Ohio, about 15 or 20 rods north of the National pike; Thence with the line of an old ditch or as near as practicable with the same, through the lands of said Remer in a north or north westerly direction to the line of John and Mary Grassley; Thence with said old ditch through the lands of said Grassley, in a northerly direction to the mouth of said old tile ditch; thence through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly direction with an old open ditch or waterway to the Little Miami Rail road; thence across said railroad to the lands of Owen Harbage; thence with said old ditch or waterway through the lands of said Harbage in a northerly direction to the junction of said old ditch or waterway with another old open ditch or run; Thence through the lands of said Harbage in an easterly direction with said old ditch or run, far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet.

And it appearing that said petitioners have given bond as required by law, which has been approved by said Auditor and said Auditor having fixed the 16th day of September, 1899, as the day for hearing said petition, it is ordered that this board meet on said day at the place of beginning of said proposed ditch, as described in said petition, to hear proof offered by any of the parties affected by said improvement, and others competent to testify, and to determine as to the necessity of said improvement.

On the question of the adoption of the foregoing orders and entries relating to said petition and ditch, Withrow, Anderson and Markley voted "Aye"

James Withrow }
Jas. B. Anderson } Commissioners
Chas. G. Markley } of
Madison County

Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, Aug. 26th A. D. 1899.

In the matter of the
Ditch Impf. Petitioned
for by John^{and} Mary Grassley.

Notice to Lot or Land Owners.

To the lot or land owners and to the corporations, either public or private, affected by said improvement: You, and each of you are hereby notified that on the 25th day of August, A. D. 1899, John Grassley et al filed a petition with the Auditor of Madison County, the prayer of which is for the location, construction and tiling of a Ditch on the following starting point, route and terminus, to wit:

Commencing on the lands of Eliza S. Renner in the Township of Jefferson, County of Madison and State of Ohio, about 15 or 20 rods north of the National pike; thence with the line of the old tile ditch or as near as practicable with the same, through the lands of said Renner in a north or north westerly direction to the line of John and Mary Grassley; thence with said old ditch through the lands of said Grassley, in a northerly direction to the mouth of said old tile ditch; thence through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly direction with an old open ditch or waterway to the Little Miami Railroad; thence across said railroad to the lands of Owen Harbage; thence with said old ditch or waterway through the lands of said Harbage in a northerly direction to the junction of said old ditch or waterway with another old ditch or run, thence through the lands of said Harbage in an easterly direction with said ditch or run far enough to secure a good and sufficient outlet.

You are also notified that the following time and place have been fixed when and where the Commissioners of said County will meet for the hearing of said petition, to wit: Saturday, Sept. 26th 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the beginning of said proposed ditch improvement, for the purpose of hearing any and all proof offered by any of the parties affected by said ditch improvement, whether the said ditch will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare; and whether the route described is the best route, and any and all objections to said proposed ditch improvement.

Any application for compensation or damage, or for any change of route, must be in writing and filed with the Commissioners on or before the day set for hearing. No further notice of any proceedings in this matter will be given.

H. D. Wilson,

Auditor of Madison County,
per B.

The State of Ohio } Proof of Notice
Madison County SS.

On this 29th day of August, A. D. 1899, personally appeared before the undersigned authority John Grassley, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he served the annexed and above notice on the respective parties herein named by delivering to each a true copy thereof, except such as have waived the service thereof by placing their signature hereto.

Name of Person Served.	How Served.	When Served.
Eliza S. Renner	Privately	Aug. 29 th 1899.
W. R. Hunter	"	" " "
Henry Wilson	"	" " "
Owen Starbage	"	" " "
Little Miami R.R. Agent.	Agent.	" " "

We acknowledge service of the above notice, and further this deponent saith not. John Grassley, Mary Grassley.
Sworn to by John Grassley before me and by him subscribed in my presence this 29th day of August, A. D. 1899. Jacob M^cNeal, Notary Public, Madison County, Ohio.

In the matter of the }
Ditch Imp. Petitioned for } Objections of Eliza S. Renner.
by John and Mary Grassley. }

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.
Gentlemen:

And now comes the undersigned, Eliza S. Renner, who is the owner of lands through which it is proposed to locate said ditch, and which lands will be affected by said improvement and objects to the location construction and tiling of said ditch or any part thereof on her said lands for the following reasons, to wit:

First - It will not be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare;

Second - That it will be a private improvement for the benefit of the lands of the petitioners, which lies directly below her lands.

Third - It will not be a benefit to her lands for the reason that she has now adequate and full drainage for her said lands.

Fourth - That to make said improvement through her lands will disturb the tiling that she has already in on her said lands and be a damage thereto.

Fifth - That the said petitioners, whose lands all lay below her lands have no right to ask or compel her to pay any expense in this proceeding for the reason that she now has adequate drainage and all the outlet that is necessary for her said lands, through the tiling which she has put in, thereon and running down onto the said petitioners' land at her expense.

Filed Sept. 11th 1899. W. D. Wilson Auditor.

Eliza J. Renner

In the matter of the }
 Ditch Imp. Petitioned for } claim of Eliza S. Renner for compensation for lands
 by John^{and} Mary Grassley } that may be taken in said proceeding.
 To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of
 Madison County, Ohio.

Gentlemen: And now comes the undersigned
 Eliza S. Renner, who is the owner of lands through which it
 is proposed to locate said ditch, and which lands will be
 affected by said improvement and claims compensation for
 all of her lands that may be taken in said proceeding.

Filed Sept. 11" 1899.

Eliza J. Renner.

H. D. Wilson, Auditor.

In the matter of the }
 Ditch Imp. Petitioned } claim of Eliza S. Renner for Damages to her
 for by John^{and} Mary Grassley } lands that will result from said Improvement.
 To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of
 Madison County, Ohio.

Gentlemen: And now comes the under-
 signed Eliza S. Renner, who is the owner of lands through
 which it is proposed to locate said ditch and which lands
 will be affected by said improvement and claim damages in
 the sum of \$600.⁰⁰ that will be done to her said lands and
 the tiling that she now has in thereon by said proposed im-
 provement.

Filed Sept. 11" 1899,

Eliza S. Renner.

H. D. Wilson, Auditor.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, Sept. 18" 1899.

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Commissioners met today in Regular Session.
Members present: James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson^{and} & Chas. S. Markley.

In the matter of the }
 Ditch Imp. Petitioned for } Meeting to View.
 by John and Mary Grassley.

The board having proceeded on the 16"
 day of September 1899, to the place of beginning of said improve-
 ment as prayed for in said petition, and having there and
 there heard proof of parties affected by said improvement
 and others competent to testify, in accordance with the
 former orders of this board as to said matter, do find
 and determine that said improvement is necessary and
 will be a benefit to the lots and lands along the line
 thereof, by furnishing drainage thereto, and will be con-
 ducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and
 that the best route therefor is as follows:

Commencing on the lands of Clemency Hunter in
 Jefferson Township, County of Madison and State of Ohio,
 about 15 or 20 rods, north of the National pike; Thence

with the line of an old tile ditch or as near as practicable with the same, through the lands of said Remer in a north or north westerly direction to the line of John and Mary Grassley; thence with said old ditch through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly direction to the mouth of said old tile ditch; thence through the lands of said Grassley in a northerly direction with an old open ditch or waterway to the Little Miami Railroad; thence across said railroad to the lands of Owen Harbage; thence with said old ditch or waterway through the lands of said Harbage in a northerly direction to the junction of said old ditch or waterway with another old open ditch or run; thence through the lands of said Harbage in an easterly direction with said old ditch or waterway; thence about 5 or 6 rods through the lands of Alex. Base and there terminating.

It is therefore ordered that said ditch be granted and the same be known as "The Grassley Ditch Improvement".

Order to County Surveyor.

It is therefore ordered that J. H. Asher, County Surveyor, go upon the line of said improvement and survey and level the same and set a stake at every one hundred feet numbering down stream; note the intersection of lines and boundaries of lands, township and county lines, land marks, bench marks, and road and railway crossings, and make a report and profile and plat of the same, and estimate the number of cubic yards of earth and other substance to be removed, and the cost per cubic yard for each working section and each section of one hundred feet.

It is also ordered that said engineer make and return a schedule of all lots and lands, and public and corporate roads, municipal corporations and rail roads that will be benefited by said improvement, and an apportionment of the cost of location and construction in money to each lot and tract of land, road and railroad and municipal corporation, according to the benefits which will result to each from the said improvement, and a specification of the manner in which the improvement shall be made and completed; the number of flood gates, waterways, farm crossings and bridges necessary including kinds and dimensions thereof, and all county and township lines and railway crossings; the amount and size of tile necessary and the estimated cost of the same.

It is ordered that the following laterals be located and constructed:

Lateral No. 1 - Beginning on the lands of Clemency Hunter, running thence in a north easterly direction and entering main ditch on lands of said Hunter at station 8+50

Lateral No. 2 - Beginning on the lands of Clemency Hunter;

running thence in a north easterly direction and entering main ditch on lands of John and Mary Grassley at Station 18+70.

Lateral No. 3 - Beginning on the lands of John and Mary Grassley; running thence in a north easterly direction and entering main ditch on the lands of said Grassley at Station 30+54.

Lateral No. 4 - Beginning on the lands of John and Mary Grassley; running thence in a north easterly direction and entering main ditch on the lands of said Grassley at Station 38+50.

Lateral No. 5 - Beginning on the lands of Henry B. Wilson; running thence in a north easterly direction, crossing East Pike and entering main ditch at Station 41+50.

Lateral No. 6 - Beginning on the lands of Henry B. Wilson, running thence in a north easterly direction, crossing East Pike and entering main ditch at Station 46+50.

Lateral No. 7 - Beginning on lands of Eliza J. Remer; running thence in a north westerly direction and entering main ditch at Station 12.

Said engineer is ordered to make and file with his report an itemized bill of all costs made in the proper discharge of his duties under this order; and to file his report with the Auditor of said County, in his office therein on or before 10 o'clock A.M. on the 25th day of October, 1899.

It is further ordered that the time and place last above mentioned is hereby fixed for the hearing of applications for damages arising from said improvement and for claims for compensation for lands taken for the construction thereof, to which time and place the proceedings herein, now stand adjourned.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the foregoing entry relating to said petition and ditch, all members voted "aye"

James Withrow } Commissioners
 Jas. B. Anderson } of
 Char. G. Markley } Madison County

Applications to pay Assessments in Cash.

In the matter of the Grassley Ditch Improvement.

In this matter, we, the undersigned desire to pay our entire assessments in cash. (viz: June 1900 and December, 1900.

John Grassley, H. B. Wilson, Eliza J. Remer,
 Owen Starbage, M. J. Wilson,
 Oct. 25th 1900.

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Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio.
Oct. 24th 1899.

In the matter of the Ditch Impf. Petitioned for by John and Mary Grassley. } Report and Schedule of Engineer.
To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio:

The undersigned engineer, in obedience to the direction of your Honorable Body made on the 18th day of September, A. D. 1899, has proceeded in the above matter, and has made a level and survey of the line of said proposed ditch improvement, and set a stake at every hundred feet numbering down stream, and I have made a note of the intersection of lines and boundaries of lands, township and county lines, land marks, bench marks, and road and rail road crossings; and I herewith make report of the same, with profile, and plat and an estimate of the number of cubic yards of earth or other substance to be removed, and the cost per cubic yard for each working section on said report indicated and of each section of one hundred feet.

I have also made and return herewith, a schedule of all the lots and lands, and public and corporate roads and railroads, together with the name of the owners of such rail-road companies, and the names of the lessees operating the same, that will be benefited by said improvement; and an apportionment of the cost of location and construction, in money, to each lot and tract of land, road and rail road, according to the benefit which will result to each from the said improvement, and a specifications of the manner in which the improvement shall be made and completed; the number of flood gates, water ways, farm crossings and bridges necessary, including kinds and dimensions thereof; and such other matters as the undersigned deems important.

The said survey, level report and schedules are herewith attached and made a part thereof.

The following is an itemized cost-bill, made by me, in the proper discharge of my duty, under your order.

J. H. Asher,	Engineer	8 days @ \$4.00 per day	\$ 32.00
Jesse Paine,	Rodman	2 " @ \$1.25 " "	\$ 2.50
Alexander Prose,	Chairman	1 " @ \$1.25 " "	\$ 1.25
John Grassley,	"	1 " @ \$1.25 " "	\$ 1.25
Matthias Renner,	Axman.	1 " @ \$1.25 " "	\$ 1.25

Other Expenses:

John Grassley, 200 stakes, delivered, 1/2[¢] \$ 3.00

Total \$ 41.25

J. H. Asher,
Engineer

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Grassley

Ditch.

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Schedule "A"

Stake every 100 feet numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station 0	Entire Deflect	Dist	Course and Distance	Remarks
0	100.00	97.00 22		3.00	3.00	0 to 3 = 300'	
1	99.75	96.78	.22	2.97	2.97	N. 19 1/2° E.	
2	99.85	96.56	.44	3.29	3.29		
3	99.72	96.34	.66	3.38	3.38	3 to 5+75 = 275 ft.	
4	99.45	96.12	.88	3.33	3.33	N. 30 1/2° E.	
5	99.10	95.90	1.10	3.20	3.20	5+75 to 9 = 325 ft.	
5+75	98.80	95.74	1.26	3.06	3.06	N. 35° W.	
6	98.65	95.68	1.32	2.97	2.97		
7	98.70	95.46	1.54	3.24	3.24		
B.M.	98.68						Small Elm R.
8	98.77	95.24	1.76	3.53	3.53		
8+50	98.49	95.13	1.87	3.26	3.26		
9	98.45	95.02	1.98	3.42	3.42	9 to 12 = 300 ft.	
10	98.08	94.80	2.20	3.28	3.28	N. 2 1/2° E.	
11	98.19	94.58	2.42	3.61	3.61		
B.M.	99.34						
12	97.51	94.36	2.64	3.15	3.15	12 to 17 = 500 ft.	
13	97.61	94.14	2.86	3.47	3.47	N. 14° W.	
14	97.32	93.92	3.08	3.40	6.40		
15	96.88	93.70	3.30	3.18	3.18		
16	96.41	93.48	3.52	2.93	2.93		
17	96.24	93.26	3.74	2.98	2.98	17 to 18+70 = 170 ft.	
18	96.12	93.04	3.96	3.08	3.08	N. 8 1/2° W.	
18+70	95.44	92.89	4.11	2.55	2.55	18+70 to 22+50 = 300 ft.	
19	94.86	92.82 56	4.18	2.04	2.04	N. 8° W.	
20	95.87	92.26	4.74	3.61	3.61		
21	94.21	91.70	5.30	2.51	2.51		
22	94.07	91.14	5.86	2.93	2.93	22+50 to 25+50 = 300 ft.	
22+50	92.32	90.86	6.14	1.46	1.46	N. 17 1/2° E.	
23	92.07	90.57 17	6.43	1.50	1.50		
24	92.21	90.40	6.60	1.81	1.81		
25	92.76	90.23	6.77	2.53	2.53	25+50 to 27+30 = 180 ft.	
25+50	94.36	90.14	6.85	4.22	4.22	N. 30 1/2° E.	
26	93.36	90.06	6.94	3.30	3.30		
27	93.87	89.89	7.11	3.98	3.98		
27+30	92.54	89.84	7.19	2.70	2.70	27+30 to 30+59 = 324 ft.	
28	94.59	89.72	7.28	4.87	4.87	N. 15 1/2° W.	
29	95.05	89.55	7.45	5.50	5.50		
30	94.32	89.38	7.62	4.94	4.94		
30+54	94.02	89.29	7.70	4.73	4.73	30+54 to 35+5 = 496 ft.	
31	93.94	89.21	7.79	4.73	4.73	S. 88 1/4° W.	
32	93.77	89.04	7.96	4.73	4.73		

Ditch Improvement Record,

Report of Engineer

Grassley Schedule "A" Ditch.

Stake every 100 feet numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station	Entire Depth	Out.	Course and Distance	Remarks.
33	93.31	88.87	8.13	4.53	4.53		
34	93.28	88.70	8.30	4.58	4.58		
35	93.14	88.53	8.47	4.61			
35+50	93.46	88.44	8.55	5.02		35+50 to 38+50 = 300 ft. S. 62 3/4° W.	
36	94.37	88.36	8.64	6.01			
37	94.07	88.19	8.81	5.88			
38	93.17	88.02	8.98	5.15			
38+50	94.17	87.93	9.06	6.14		38+50 to 39+34 = 84 ft. N. 34° W.	
39	94.14	87.85	9.15	6.29			
39+34	92.22	87.80	9.20	4.42		39+34 to 47+90 = 856 ft. N. 4 1/2° W.	
40	91.69	87.68	9.32	4.01			
41	90.59	87.51	9.49	3.08			
41+50	91.06	87.42	9.57	3.64			
42	90.45	87.34	9.66	3.11			
43	90.09	87.17	9.83	2.82			
44	90.08	87.00	10.00	3.08			
45	90.01	86.83	10.17	3.18			
46	90.22	86.66	10.34	3.56			
46+50	90.71	86.57	10.42	4.14			
47	89.93	86.49	10.51	3.44			
47+90	90.53	86.34	10.66	4.19		47+90 to 52 = 410 ft.	
48	89.56	86.32	10.68	3.24			
B. W.	91.83						Old L.
49	90.10	86.15	10.85	3.95			
50	89.93	85.98	11.02	3.85			
51	89.08	85.81	11.19	3.27			
52	88.46	85.31	11.69	3.15		52 to 53 = 100 ft. N. 12° E.	
53	88.38	84.81	12.19	3.57		53 to 56 = 300 ft. N. 22 1/2° W.	
54	87.35	84.31	12.69	3.04			
55	87.18	83.81	13.19	3.37			
56	86.58	83.31	13.69	3.17		56 to 57 = 100 ft. N. 17 1/2° E.	
57	86.98	83.01	13.99	3.97			
58	85.60	82.71	14.29	2.89		57 to 58 = 100 ft. N. 47° E.	
59	85.79	82.41	14.59	3.38			
60	84.85	82.11	14.89	2.74		58 to 59 = 100 ft. N. 12 1/2° E.	
61	84.10	81.81	15.19	2.29			
62	84.68	81.51	15.49	3.17		59 to 62+68 = 368 ft. N. 2 1/4° E.	
62+68	81.81	81.00	16.00	.81			

Ditch Improvement Record,

Grassley

Ditch.

Report of Engineers

Schedule "A"

Stake every 100 feet numbered down stream	Surface Elevation	Grade Elevation	Total fall from station 0	Entire Depth	But	Course and Distance	Remarks.
Lateral No. 1 - at Station 8+50							
0	100.00	97.25		2.75	2.75	0 to 2+75	On Clemency Hunter
1	99.24	96.55	.60	2.59	2.59	Dr. 33 1/2° E. = 275 ft.	
2	99.21	96.05	1.20	3.16	3.16		
2+75	98.66	95.60	1.65	3.06	3.16		
Lateral No. 2 - at Station 18+70							
0	100.00	98.00		2.00	2.00		Clemency Hunter } 140 ft = line John and Mary Grassley }
1	101.00	97.28	.72	3.72	3.72		
2	98.05	96.55	1.45	1.50	1.50		
3	99.40	96.38	1.62	3.02	3.02		
4	98.16	96.21	1.79	1.95	1.95		
5	101.05	96.04	1.96	5.01	5.01		
6	100.00	95.87	2.13	4.13	4.13		
7	100.60	95.70	2.30	4.90	4.90		
7+80	98.05	95.57	2.43	2.48	2.48		
8	97.30	95.53	2.47	1.77	1.77		
8+78	97.70	95.40	2.60	2.30	2.30		
Lateral No. 3 - at Station 30+54.							
0	100.00	98.00		2.00	2.00	0 to 3+33	Pin Oak Left.
1	99.49	97.80		1.69	1.69	S. 68 1/2° W. = 333 ft.	
B.M.	102.31						
2	101.96	97.60		4.36	4.36		
3	101.86	97.40		4.46	4.46		
3+33	101.84	97.34		4.50	4.50		
Lateral No. 4 - at Station 38+50.							
0	100.00	96.50		3.50	3.50	0 to 1	East Pike } 40 ft = line John and Mary Grassley } J. + M. Grassley } 65 ft = line W. B. + St. L. R. R. }
1	98.95	93.20	3.30	5.75	5.75	Dr. 23° E. = 100 ft.	
Lateral No. 5 - at Station 41+50							
0	100.00	97.50		2.50	2.50	0 to +55	Crosses East Pike.
+55	99.59	96.84	.66	2.75	2.75	Dr. 44 1/2° E. = 55 ft.	
Lateral No. 6 - at Station 46+50							
0	100.00	97.50		2.50	2.50	0 to +55	Crosses East Pike
+55	100.02	96.50	1.00	3.52	3.52	Dr. 43 1/2° E. = 55 ft.	
Lateral No. 7 - at Station 12							
0	100.00	97.00		3.00	3.00		Pile to be taken up and relaid
0+20	99.55	96.76	.24	2.79	2.79		
1+20	99.05	96.05	.95	3.00	3.00		

Specifications.

The main ditch and all laterals must be cut down to the grade line at all points and must be made to conform to the gradients shown in this report and on the profile filed herewith, the sizes of tile and their places are shown on the page of estimates.

The tile are to be carefully laid in the trenches and jointed as close as is practical - say to within $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch. The estimated cost of cutting includes the laying of the tile in the trenches as above, putting in of all $\frac{1}{2}$'s, deadening of green trees or bushes standing within 20 feet of any of said tile ditches and the filling in of all earth removed in cutting of the trenches, but no tile shall be covered until examined by the engineer.

All tile to be first class, cylindrical, well burned drain tile; the estimated cost of tile includes the cost of the tile on the ditch banks; each size in the proper place, also all necessary $\frac{1}{2}$'s.

Tile not put in its proper place on ditch will be moved to its place and the cost of said moving will be deducted from the tile contract.

Work on said ditch to begin at once and to be completed by January 15th 1900.

Stonewall at outlet to be made of good heavy boulders; size of wall 8 feet x 4 feet x 3 feet.

Estimates.

Section No. 1 - M.D. 0 to 25 -	151.50 rods Exc. @ 35¢	= \$53.03
0 to 5+75 -	35. " 5" tile @ 35¢	= 12.25
5+75 to 12 -	38. " 6" tile @ 50¢	= 19.00
12 to 25 -	78.8 " 8" " @ 75¢	= 59.10
		\$143.38
Section No. 2 - M.D. 25 to 50 -	151.50 rods Exc. @ 60¢	= \$90.90
25 " 38+50 -	81.7 " 8" tile @ 75¢	= 61.28
38+50 to 41+50 -	18. " 10" " @ 1.25	= 22.50
41+50 to 50 -	50.5 " 12" " @ 1.50	= 77.25
		\$251.93
Section No. 3 - M.D. 50 to 62+38 -	77. rods Exc. @ 35¢	= \$26.95
50 to 62+38 -	77. " 12" tile @ 1.50	= 115.50
		\$142.45
Section No. 4 - Lateral No. 1 - 0 to 2+75 =	16.7 rods Exc. @ 30¢	= \$5.01
0 to 2+75 =	16.7 " 4" tile @ 25¢	= 4.18
		\$9.19
Section No. 5 - Lateral No. 2 - 0 to 8+78 =	53 rods Exc. @ 40¢	= \$21.20
0 to 8+78 =	53 " 4" tile @ 25¢	= 13.25
		\$34.45
Section No. 6 - Lateral No. 3 - 0 to 3+33 =	26 rods Exc. @ 40¢	= \$10.40
Lateral No. 4 - 0 to 1 =		
Lateral No. 3 - 0 to 3+33 =	20 rods 5" tile @ 35¢	= 7.00
Lateral No. 4 - 0 to 1 =	6 " 6" " @ 50¢	= 3.00
		\$20.40

Section No. 7 - Laterals 5+6 - 6.66 rods/Exc. @ 60¢ = \$4.00
 Lateral 5 - 3.33 " 8" tile @ 75¢ = 2.50
 Lateral 6 - 3.33 " 6" " @ 30¢ = 1.66

Section 8 - Taking up and relaying 8 rods of 6" tile @ 40¢ = \$ 8.16
 \$ 3.20

Stone wall and covering tile at outlet = \$12.00

Total Estimate = \$625.16

Recapitulation.

Cost of Main Ditch = \$ 537.76
 " " Laterals = \$ 75.40
 " " Stonewall = \$ 12.00
 Total = \$ 625.16

Cost of Tile = \$ 398.47
 " " Cutting Trenches = \$ 214.69
 " " Stone wall. = \$ 12.00
 \$ 625.16

Report of Engineer.

Schedule B.

Owner's Name as Found on Duplicate	Original Survey Number	Township			#	cts	#	cts	#	cts
Clemency Hunter	2678	Jefferson	40.39	13.	82	44	6	00	88	44
Eliza J. Renner	2678	"	38.61	13.	21	40	1	75	23	15
John ^{and} Mary Grassley	2678	"	115.	50.	269	01	15	00	284	01
P. O. Co. and St. L. R. R.		"			35	88	2	50	38	38
Owen Starbage	2678	"	169.81	30.	111	79	9	00	120	79
Alexander Prose	2679	"	74.30	50	7	64	1	00	8	64
Henry C. Wilson	2678	"	166.	45.	63	00	3	50	66	50
Marth J. Wilson		"	156.	10	14	00	1	00	15	00
Madison County		"			20	00	1	50	21	50

For Plat see Plat Record Page.

Approved October 25th 1899.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, October 25th 1899.

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Commissioners met today in Special Session.

Members present; Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. H. Markley and H. C. Bradley.

In the matter of
The Grassley Ditch } Hearing on Engineer's Report.
Improvement.

J. H. Asher, the engineer heretofore appointed in this matter, having filed his report, including the apportionment made by him of the costs of said improvement, and this being the day fixed for the hearing of said report and matter, the board proceeded to the consideration of the same; the board, after proper examination, do find that due notice has been given for the length of time required by law to all lot and land owners and to the authorities of all municipal and private corporations affected by said improvement, notifying them of the pendency, substance and prayer of the petition for said improvement.

Said board also find that Eliza S. Renner has made application in writing for compensation and damages, which applications are ordered filed.

The board having heard the evidence and examined said report and apportionment (and the claims, exceptions &c) do find that said report and apportionment are in all respects fair and just according to the benefits derived from the said improvement by the owner of each lot and tract of land and by municipal and private corporations and rail road companies.

It is therefore ordered that said report and apportionment be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.

It is also ordered that all objections, both written and verbal be overruled.

Eliza S. Renner having withdrawn her application for compensation and damages, no action was taken in said matter.

The board fix the 9th day of November, 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M. on the line of said ditch improvement as the time and place for the sale of the construction and the furnishing of all material for said improvement at public outcry in sections of not less than one hundred feet nor more than twenty five hundred feet in length.

It is ordered that J. H. Asher, County Surveyor, be directed to attend at time and place of sale specified above to superintend and conduct the same.

The County Auditor is hereby directed to cause notice of the time and place of sale to be given by posters.

And it appearing to the board that John Grassley, Owen Harbage, H. C. Wilson, M. J. Wilson and Eliza S. Renner desire to pay their entire assessment in cash, viz: June 1900 and December 1900.

It is hereby ordered that the Auditor be directed to place said assessment on special duplicate for payment in two semi-annual installments, viz: December, 1899 and June 1900, allowing to any or all parties taxed however, the privilege of paying said tax in June 1900, and December, 1900 should they desire to do so.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the foregoing findings and orders relating to said ditch, Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. K. Markley and H. E. Bradley voted "Aye".

Board Adjourned.

B. A. Taylor,
Auditor and Clerk.

Jas. B. Anderson } Commissioners
Chas. K. Markley } of
H. E. Bradley. } Madison County

Ditch Sale.

Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that I will sell at public outcry, on Thursday, November, 9th 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M. to the lowest responsible bidder therefor, the work of furnishing the tile and constructing the Grassley Ditch Improvement

Located in Jefferson Township, Madison County, Ohio.

Said work will be sold as follows:

- Section 1 - Station 0 to Station 25, 151.5 rods tile cutting.
35 rods 5 inch, 38 rods 6 inch, 78.5 rods 8 inch tile.
- Section 2 - Station 25 to Station 50, 151.5 rods tile cutting.
85.33 rods 8 inch, 18 rods 10 inch, 48.17 rods 12 inch tile.
- Section 3 - Station 50 to Station 62.68, 77 rods tile cutting.
77 rods 12 inch tile
- Section 4 - Lateral No. 1, 16.7 rods tile cutting.
16.7 rods 4 inch tile.
- Section 5 - Lateral No. 2, 53 rods tile cutting
53 rods 4 inch tile.
- Section 6 - Laterals No. 3 and 4, 26 rods tile cutting.
6 rods 6 inch tile, and 20 rods 5 inch tile
- Section 7 - Laterals No. 5 and 6, 6.66 rods tile cutting.
3.33 rods 8 inch and 3.33 rods 6 inch tile.
- Section 8 - Taking up and relaying 8 rods 6 inch tile, beginning at Station 12 of main ditch.
- Section 9 - Stonewall at outlet of main ditch.

Working sections will be sold in reverse order and bidders desiring to view the line of ditch should do so prior to time of sale.

Bidders to meet at East pike at the point where said pike intersects the P. O. C. & St. L. R. R. one mile north east of West Jefferson

A cash deposit of \$25 is required before any bid will be entertained.

Bond must be given within 5 days from date of sale.

Work to begin at once and to be completed by February 1st 1900.

By order of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

B. A. Taylor,
Auditor.

J. H. Asher,
Engineer

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio
November 13th A. D. 1899.

In the matter of the }
Ditch Impf. Petitioned }
for by John Grassley.

Report of Sale of the Labor of Construction.

Gentlemen: In obedience to your direction and also in pursuance of the notice, duly given by the Auditor, of the sale of the work of constructing the above-styled improvement, at the time and place therein specified, I offered the said several working sections for sale to the lowest responsible bidder at public outcry, and sold the same to the persons hereinafter named, at the prices herein stated, and took their contracts and bonds respectively conditioned according to law, and return the same herewith for your approval.

Number of Working Sections	To whom sold.	Amount for which it sold		Amount for which it was estimated		When to be Completed.
		\$	cts.	\$	cts.	
1	F. Miller					February 1 st 1900
2	"					
3	"					
4	"	189	00	211	49	
5	"					
6	"					
7	"					
File } 4, 5, 8, 10 + 12 inches	J. N. Grant.	350	00	374	80	December 20 th 1899.
File } 6 inches	John Grassley	18	93	23	67	December 20 th 1899.
Protection wall	Owen Harbage	3	00	12	00	December 20 th 1899.

J. H. Asher, Engineer.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,
November 9th A. D. 1899.

In the matter of the }
Ditch Impf. Petitioned }
for by John Grassley.

Contract for Labor of Construction.

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered, and advertised for sale according to law, and the construction of Working Sections No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of 7968 feet allotted to land owners of the following described land, viz: per report of engineer and sold by the duly appointed Engineer on the 9th day of November, A. D. 1899, to the undersigned for One Hundred and Eighty Nine Dollars pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me, to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, I will do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the specifications for constructing the same, as

shown in the record of the proceedings thereof, the same to be completed on or before the 1st day of February, A.D. 1900, provided this contract shall be of no force and effect until approved by the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

J. H. Asher,
Engineer.

F. Miller,
Contractor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County, Ohio,
November 9th 1899.

In the matter of
The Ditch Imp. Petitioned
for by John Grassley.

} Contractor's Bond.

Know all Men by These Presents, That F. Miller as principal, and J. F. Holland, and John Grassley as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Three Hundred and Seventy Eight Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 9th day of November, A. D. 1899.

The Condition of the above Obligation, is such, that whereas, the above bounden principal contractor has bid off the labor of constructing working section Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7 has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, and has agreed to fully do and perform all the labor of constructing said improvement, in accordance with the plans and specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings on or before the first day of February, 1900

Now, if the said F. Miller shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract and complete the same within the time fixed by said contract, and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

F. Miller
J. F. Holland
John Grassley

Stamp
50¢

This Contract and Bond, and Sureties on said Bond approved this 13th day of November, A. D. 1899.

J. H. Asher,
Engineer.

Gas. B. Anderson,
President of Board of
Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio.

Auditor's Office, Madison County
London, Ohio, Nov. 9th A. D. 1899.

In the matter of the }
Ditch Impf. Petitioned } Contract for Furnishing Tile.
for by John Grassley }

Whereas, The above styled improvement has been duly ordered and advertised for sale according to law, and the furnishing of Tile on the ground for all of Main Ditch from Station 0 to Station 62.68 and its laterals 1 to 6 inclusive allotted to land owners benefitted thereby, and sold by the duly appointed engineer on the 9th day of November, A. D. 1899, to the undersigned in the following lots and sizes:

128.5 rods, 12 inch tile

18. " 10 " "

163.83 " 8 " "

55. " 5 " "

69.7 " 4 " "

and all necessary ^{ts}, amounting to Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars, pursuant to said order and notice. Now, in consideration of the premises, it is agreed by me to and with whomsoever may be interested therein, that I will deliver said tile in dimensions and quantities as per specifications for said improvement, in parcels of 100 feet of tile upon each 100 ft of ditch and within 10 feet of the center line of the same where used.

All of the above tile to be delivered on or before the 20th day of December, A. D. 1899.

Provided this contract shall be of no force until approved by the Commissioners of said Madison County, Ohio, and it is further expressly agreed that 75 per cent. of said cost of tile shall be paid when delivered and the remaining 25 per cent when tile is laid in ditch.

J. H. Asher,
Engineer.

J. N. Grant,
Contractor.

Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, Nov. 9th A. D. 1899.

In the matter of the }
Ditch Impf. Petitioned } Contractor's Bond.
for by John Grassley }

Know all men by These Presents, That J. N. Grant, as principal and H. T. Strawbridge and E. A. Blaugher as sureties, are firmly held and bound unto the State of Ohio, in the penal sum of Seven Hundred Dollars, good and lawful money.

Signed and dated this 9th day of November, A. D. 1899.

The condition of the above obligation is such, however, that whereas, the above boundeen principal contractor,

has bid off the labor of furnishing tile in quantities and kinds, and to be delivered as per above contract, and has duly entered into the annexed contract, subject to the condition that the same shall be approved by the Commissioners and Engineer of said Madison County and has agreed to fully do and perform all of said labor of furnishing said tile in accordance with the specifications of said improvement, as shown on the record of said proceedings on or before the 20th day of December A. D. 1899.

Now, if the said J. N. Grant shall well and truly perform all the obligations of his said contract and complete the same within the time fixed therein and pay all damage which may occur by reason of a failure to complete the same within the time agreed upon in said contract, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be in full force and effect in law.

J. N. Grant
H. J. Strawbridge
E. A. Blaugher

This Contract and Bond, and Sureties on said Bond, approved this 15th day of November, A. D. 1899.

J. H. Asher,
Engineer.

Jas. B. Anderson,
President of Board of Commissioners
of Madison County, Ohio.

Commissioner's Office, Madison County
London, Ohio, Nov. 13th 1899.

Comms. Journal Volume 6 Page 578. Commissioners of Madison County met today in Regular Session. Members present, Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. S. Markley and H. E. Bradley. In the matter of The Grassley Ditch Improvement. Approval of Contractor's Bond.

F. Miller, to whom was awarded the contract for the labor of construction of The Grassley Ditch Improvement, (Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7) having presented his bond for the faithful performance of his said contract, in the sum of Three Hundred and Seventy Eight (\$378) Dollars, with himself as principal and John F. Holland and John Grassley as sureties thereon, which bond is sufficient in form and according to law, it is ordered that the same be approved and the sureties thereon accepted.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the above entry, Anderson, Markley and Bradley voted "Aye".

Jas. B. Anderson
Chas. S. Markley
H. E. Bradley } Commissioners
of
Madison County

B. A. Taylor,
Auditor and Clerk.

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, November 15th 1899.

Commissioners met today in Special Session.
Members present: Jas. B. Anderson, Chas. S. Markley^{2d} & H. E. Bradley.
In the matter of } Approval of Contractor's Bond.
The Grassley Ditch }
Improvement. }

J. N. Grant, to whom was awarded the
the contract for furnishing Tile for The Grassley Ditch Im-
provement, having presented his bond in the sum of
Seven Hundred (\$700) Dollars, for the faithful performance
of the said contract, with himself as principal and H. S.
Strawbridge and C. A. Blaugher as sureties thereon, which
bond is sufficient in form and according to law, it is or-
dered that the same be approved and the sureties thereon
accepted.

Upon call of roll for the approval of the above entry relating
to said contract and bond, all members voted "Aye."

B. A. Taylor,
Auditor and Clerk.

Jas. B. Anderson }
Chas. S. Markley } Commissioners
H. E. Bradley } of
Madison County

No County Bonds Issued.

Commissioners Office, Madison County,
London, Ohio, Sept. 8th 1899.

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Board of Commissioners met today in Regular Quarterly Session.
Members present; James Withrow, Jas. B. Anderson^{2d} & Chas S. Markley.
In the matter of } Assessment
Assessment for Grassley }
Ditch Improvement. }

The Grassley Ditch Improvement having
been provided for according to law, it is hereby ordered that
assessments shall be made upon the lots and lands
benefited by said ditch improvement, payable in one
annual installment.

It is further ordered that the County Auditor be directed
to make and furnish to the Treasurer of the County
a special duplicate for the year 1899, charging each of the
lots and lands assessed 100% of the gross assessments.

Upon motion for the approval of the foregoing matter,
messrs. Withrow, Anderson and Markley, voted "Aye."
Motion Carried.

Jas. B. Anderson }
Chas. S. Markley } Commissioners
Madison County

No Bonds.

Recorded December, 1899. B. A. Taylor, County Auditor.