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GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DR. TIM BORING
DIRECTOR

Notice of Drainage Board Meeting

**BARNES AND WILLOUGHBY #705 INTERCOUNTY DRAIN
BASS LAKE INTERCOUNTY DRAIN
CONLEY INTERCOUNTY DRAIN
COUNTY LINE INTERCOUNTY DRAIN
GALLAGHER INTERCOUNTY DRAIN
IRISH TOWN INTERCOUNTY DRAIN
MILLET INTERCOUNTY DRAIN**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Drainage Board for the said drain will be held at:

**10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 25, 2026
Gratiot County Drain Office
904 East Center Street
Ithaca, Michigan**

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct necessary and appropriate business of the drainage board (see attached agenda) and any other business that may come before the Board.

Proceedings conducted at this public meeting will be subject to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

Bernard Barnes
Gratiot County Drain Commissioner
904 East Center Street
Ithaca, MI 48847
989-875-5207

Robert Willoughby
Isabella County Drain Commissioner
200 North Main Street
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858
989-772-0911, ext. 247

Those needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the drain commissioner of their county at the number listed above or may use the Michigan Relay Center by calling 711 for deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired persons.

Dated in Lansing, Michigan on March 18, 2026.

Dr. Tim Boring, Director
Michigan Department of
Agriculture and Rural Development

Brandon Williams
Deputy for the Director
517-331-3661



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KATHLEEN ANGERER
ACTING DIRECTOR

March 18, 2026

SENT VIA EMAIL

Mr. Bernard Barnes
Gratiot County Drain Commissioner
904 East Center Street
Ithaca, MI 48847

Mr. Robert Willoughby
Isabella County Drain Commissioner
200 North Main Street
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Re: Barnes And Willoughby #705 Intercounty Drain
Bass Lake Intercounty Drain
Conley Intercounty Drain
County Line Intercounty Drain
Gallagher Intercounty Drain
Irish Town Intercounty Drain
Millet Intercounty Drain

Dear Commissioners:

Enclosed is a Notice of Meeting. If accessible, please post it in your office or in your building where other such notices are posted. Also, in accordance with P.A. 528 of the Public Acts of 2012, if your county maintains a website that is accessible to the public, **this notice and agenda** shall be posted on the homepage or on a separate webpage dedicated to public notices.

Also, please prepare an Affidavit of Posting and forward one copy to this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brandon Williams".

Brandon Williams
Agriculture Development Bureau

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Enclosure

Agenda

Barnes and Willoughby #705 Intercounty Drain Drainage Board
Bass Lake Intercounty Drain Drainage Board
Conley Intercounty Drain Drainage Board
County Line Intercounty Drain Drainage Board
Gallagher Intercounty Drain Drainage Board
Irish Town Intercounty Drain Drainage Board
Millet Intercounty Drain Drainage Board
(Gratiot and Isabella)

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1. Call to order and Introductions
Board Members
Brandon Williams, Chair, Michigan Dept. of Agriculture & Rural Development
Bernard Barnes, Gratiot County Drain Commissioner
Robert Willoughby, Isabella County Drain Commissioner
2. Motion to elect a Secretary
3. Review and set the agenda
4. Approve minutes for Barnes And Willoughby (8/25/2022), Bass Lake (4/10/2023), Conley (8/10/2020), County Line (5/29/2018), Gallagher (9/28/2022), Irish Town (6/27/2007), and Millet (9/30/2024)
5. Communications and reports of board members, committees, and consultants
 - a. Coordinate upcoming LEO BEAD drain crossing permits
 - b. Discuss Governance, FOIA, and SESC resolutions
 - c. Receive the Treasurer's Report
6. Invoices paid/Drain orders signed
7. Other business
8. Public comment
9. Set the date, time, and location of the next meeting
10. Adjourn