

DRAINAGE BLANK

In the Matter of the Petition of

E. S. Gilbert
and others

Viewers' Report

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Arthur J. Coover
County Auditor.

And we further report that, at the completion of our work, as aforesaid, we did sum up the total estimated benefits of the construction of said *ditch and branches* and find, and hereby report, the same to be the sum of *\$32,971.52* DOLLARS; and that we did sum up the total estimated cost and expense of the construction of said *ditch and branches* and find, and hereby report, the same to be the sum of *\$28,619.70* DOLLARS, including the damages awarded therefor.

We further report that we have considered the relative utility and estimated expense of construction of said *ditch and branches* and find, and hereby report, that the utility of the same is *greater* than the said estimated expense thereof, including said damages awarded.

We further report that the said proposed *ditch and branches* will *be* of public utility; and that the construction of the same is *no* practicable for the following reasons: *To drain large areas of land now flooded and render said water less available and valuable, to drain off stagnant water thereon which now constitutes a menace to the public health.*

Dated this *eighteenth* day of

July A. D. 19 *11*

W. S. M. Smith
Respectfully submitted,
W. S. M. Smith
Viewers.

In the Matter of the Petition of E. S. Gilbert and Others for a
Public Ditch in the County of Anoka,
 State of Minnesota: known as Ditch # 53 of said County

To the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Anoka
 State of Minnesota:

The undersigned viewers, appointed by your order, bearing date the third
 day of May A. D. 1910, to view the route proposed and set forth in the
 petition of E. S. Gilbert and others, for a public ditch,
known as Ditch # 53 of Anoka County, respectfully report as follows, viz.:

That at the time and place specified in the order of the County Auditor of said County, to wit:
 at the Auditor's office in the city of Anoka in said County, on
 the twenty-fourth day of June A. D. 1910, at ten o'clock
 in the fore noon of said day, we did meet preparatory to commencing our duties as such
 viewers; and having each taken and subscribed the oath required by law to faithfully perform our
 duties, and having received from the County Auditor of said County, within five days after the filing
 of the engineer's report of his survey in the matter of said ditch,
 certified copies of the said petition for said ditch, of the order of
 your Honorable Board appointing us viewers, and of the order of said County Auditor designating
 the time and place for said first meeting of said viewers, we did, with James Corr
and Wayne S. Ridge, the said civil engineer, appointed by you to have charge of said
 matter, to wit:— and the proposed ditch

view and examine the said proposed ditch from its source to its outlet,
 together with the branches thereof, the lands over which the same passes, the lands adjacent thereto
 to be affected thereby, and, as required by law and the requirements of your said order appointing
 us, ascertain the facts following, viz.: the names of the owners of each tract of land to be benefited
 and damaged by the construction of said proposed ditch and branches; a description of
 each tract of land to be benefited and damaged thereby (said names of owners being the same as
 appears on the County tax duplicates of said County, and said descriptions being in legal form); the
 total number of acres in each of said tracts; the estimated number of acres in each of said tracts
 which will be benefited and damaged, as the case may be; the number of acres added to each of said
 tracts, if any, by the drainage of any meandered lake or change of course of any watercourse occa-
 sioned by the construction of said ditch and branches; the description and location
 of all land added to any of said tracts by said drainage of any meandered lake and by the change
 of course of any watercourse; the value of all land so added to any of said tracts of land; the damage
 to the riparian rights of each of said tracts; the total estimated amount of benefits to each of said
 tracts of land, and the total estimated amount of damage or injury to each of said tracts of land;
 and did cause all the said facts, so ascertained by us, to be prepared and set forth in tabular form
 and statement, which said tabular statement is hereto attached and made a part hereof, designated
 "Exhibit 1."

And we did further ascertain, where the said proposed ditch or branches runs
 along a public or corporate road or railroad, or drains, benefits, damages or affects such road or
 railroad, the facts following, viz.: the names of the owners of such roads and railroads; the names
 of such roads and railroads; a description of the parts of such roads and railroads drained, benefited,
 damaged and affected; a description of the nature of the benefits to the parts of said roads and
 railroads benefited; a description of the nature of the damages to the parts of such roads and rail-
 roads damaged; the estimated amount of benefits to each part of said roads and railroads so bene-
 fitted; and the estimated amount of damages and injury to each part of said roads and railroads so
 damaged or injured; and did further estimate and award the damages to each municipal and other
 corporation, persons, association of persons, telephone and telegraph companies for injury to all
 roads, road-beds, railroads, telephone and telegraph lines, owned by them, from the necessary con-
 struction and maintenance of all bridges, culverts and other works rendered necessary by the estab-
 lishment of said ditch, and have stated the same separately; which facts, last aforesaid, we did cause
 to be arranged and set forth in a tabular statement hereto attached and made a part hereof, desi-
 gnated "Exhibit 2."

We did further cause to be kept an accurate account of all our services and time while engaged in making said view and examination; the nature and kind of work done by us; the number of days each one of us was engaged in said work; the amount charged per day by each of us; every item of expense incurred by us in said work; and the total amount of all our expenses and compensation in said work; which account, last stated, we have caused to be set forth in tabular statement hereto attached and made a part hereof, designated "Exhibit 3."

In making our estimates of benefits to each said tracts of land by the construction of said ditch and branches, wherever the same is located in whole or in part along the bed of a private ditch already constructed, we did deduct the amount of the reduction of the cost of the construction of the part of said ditch on each tract of land, as ascertained and set forth by said engineer in his report, from the estimate of benefits to each tract of land, making appropriate notation thereof in our said report.