

Vining - Report of Survey 1/6/95

I was initially contacted by Atty. Barry Kemp in the Spring of 94, to perform a survey of the Deb Vining property on Locust Street. We had completed a survey of the Schieltz property (opposite the Vining property) on the south side of Locust Street in August of 1992, so much of the research had been completed relating to the outer boundaries of the original tracts. The fence line/Stimmel monument line, which runs along the west line of the original tract (West line of O.L. 130) is at variance with the quarter section line (limits of original tract ownership to the West) as surveyed and determined by the City Engineering department. This line, as I understand the situation, was run with the assistance of Gordon Geeslin, PS, and subsequently used for surveys for the Assembly of God property to the north, discounting the Stimmel monuments along said fence line. In checking the total distance between a p-k nail (City of St. Marys Eng.) at the intersection of Defiance and Locust and the quarter Section line (W. line of O.L. 130), the original deed call (V. 79, P. 298) is 2.8 feet long. The Southwest corner of Mr Wade Gordon's property (West line of O.L. 130) as staked by Thomas Steinke, PS in May of 1979 however, is 18.9 feet short of the aforesaid deed call. Iron pipes found marking lots to the east of Sturgeon Street (used as a base for the delineation of Vining's west line) were also found to be at variance with the deed call. The East line of Sturgeon Street as monumented is approx. 6.1 feet east of where the deed call would place it (as measured along the centerline of Locust Street.

The "overlap" of the Vining West line/Gordon East line as shown on the preliminary survey by Kent dated 12/01/94 of 12.87 feet is determined by using the East line of Sturgeon Street (as monumented) and "pulling west" the deed call for the Vining West line. Although an argument could be made for using the deeded distance location of Sturgeon Street, (moving the Vining East line an additional 6.1 feet) the monumented location of Sturgeon Street distance to the quarter Section line is within 0.74 feet (approx. 9") of the accumulated east west dimensions of the sum of deed calls for Gordon, Vining, Vining and Burden properties. It appears to me that the stakes that were set on Sturgeon Street were established by someone that had knowledge as to the location of the quarter Section line in spite of the fence line (assuming it was extant at the time of the survey).

Mr. Wade Gordans original deed calls are from the East (Defiance St.). His present deed (after the subdivision of his lot) starts from the West. Had the original deed calls been followed, the overlap would not have been created.

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