



# REND LAKE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

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## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE REND LAKE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT HELD June 24, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District was held on Monday, June 24, 2013, at the Rend Lake Conservancy District Administration Office, 11231 Marcum Branch Road, Benton Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Keith Ward with the following in physical attendance:

**Board of Trustees:** Don Lucas, James Rippy, Jere Shaw, David Stewart, Todd Thomas, Robert Walton, and Keith Ward

**Staff:** Keith Thomason, General Manager; Larry Sanders, Legal Counsel/Treasurer; Leonard Killman, Water Superintendent, Michael Johnston, Comptroller and Robert Clodi, Executive Assistant.

**Visitors:** Noel Smith Jr. and Jeff Hebrank of Hepler/Broom; Reanne Palmer, Morning Sentinel

### Minutes

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Don Lucas to approve the minutes of the Meeting of May 20, 2013, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

### Acceptance of Check Register

Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Todd Thomas to accept the Check Register as presented, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

### Financial Report

Michael Johnston reviewed the financial Report for May. Jere Shaw asked that the Inter-Fund Loan between Sewer and General be placed on the agenda for the July meeting.

**General Manager's Report:** Keith Thomason discussed the June General Manager's Report and provided an Engineering update.

### Change Order

Mr. Thomason presented a change order for an emergency rock bore for the Hamilton County Water Main Project, cost \$112,900.

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Don Lucas to approve the emergency rock bore for the Hamilton County Water Main Project, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

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**June 24, 2013 (continued)**

**State Hwy 37 Water Main Relocation**

Mr. Thomas reported that Glenn Clarida and Larry Sanders were instrumental in negotiating a solution to the relocation of a water main that is located along Route 37. Mr. Thomason requested approval to utilize Clarida and Zeigler Engineering as the engineering consultant on the project. Mr. Thomas reported that RLCD will complete all grade work for this project internally.

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by Robert Walton approving Clarida and Zeigler Engineering as the consulting firm for the Route 37 water main relocation, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

**Change Order**

Mr. Thomason reported that the Route 37 water main relocation project presented an excellent opportunity for the District to construct an interconnection within the system. Mr. Thomason recommended the interconnection citing that it will improve pressure and mitigate service interruptions. Mr. Thomason presented two options for the interconnection, to be located at Conner Lane or South Park. A discussion ensued. After discussion, Mr. Thomason requested a change order to the contract with Followell Construction on the West Frankfort to Johnston City water main project to construct an interconnection located at South Park, costing \$49,000.

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Jere Shaw approving the change order to the Followell Contract on the West Frankfort to Johnston City water main project to construct a interconnection located at South Park at a cost of \$49,000, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

**High Service Pump Repair**

High Service Pump Repair – Quotes to repair the high service pump were received: Low quote received was \$7,470.

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by Todd Thomas to award the repair of the high service pump to the lowest qualified quote, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Noel Smith Jr. and Jeff Hebrank of Hepler/Broom entered the meeting at 9:15 am.

**Closed Session**

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by David Stewart to go into Closed Session at 9:24 a.m. to consider: (1) Personnel (For the Discussion of the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal); (2) Collective Negotiations (For the Discussion of Collective Negotiating Matters); (6) Sale, Purchase or Lease (For the Setting of a Price for Sale, Purchase or Lease of Property); (8) Security (For discussion of security procedures); (11) Litigation (For the Discussion of Pending, Probable or Imminent); and (21) Closed Session Minutes (For the Discussion of Closed Session Minutes), the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

**June 24, 2013 (continued)**

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by David Stewart to come out of Closed Session at 10:07 a.m. the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

**Closed Session Minutes**

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by James Rippy to approve the Closed Session Minutes of May 20, 2013, as presented, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

**Membrane Performance**

Mr. Thomason discussed membrane performance report provided by the consultant that was hired to observe and comment on the membrane system. A discussion ensued. No action was taken.

**Bids**

Big Muddy Bypass - Bids to construct the Big Muddy Bypass were due June 11, 2013: Low bid was received from Haier Plumbing and Heating for \$1,244,173.60. Mr. Thomason requested the authority to accept the lowest qualified bid.

Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Jere Shaw to grant the General Manager the authority to negotiate and accept the lowest qualified bid for the Big Muddy Bypass, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Ventilation Project – Bids to repair and construct ventilation at Gibby's Restaurant and the Water Treatment Plant were due May 31, 2013: Low bid was received from J & R Appliance for \$22,432. Mr. Thomason requested the authority to accept the lowest qualified bid and award only the tasks as he deems necessary.

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by David Stewart to grant the General Manager the authority to accept and award the lowest qualified bid and award only the task that is deemed necessary, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

**Ordinance 270 – Prevailing Wage**

Upon motion by David Stewart and second by Jere Shaw to approve Ordinance 270, Prevailing Wage Ordinance, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

**June 24, 2013 (continued)**

**Financial Policy**

A discussion was held on the Financial Policy in regards to the providing water service. No action was taken.

**West Frankfort Chamber of Commerce**

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by Robert Walton to approve the membership fee for the West Frankfort Chamber of Commerce at \$150, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

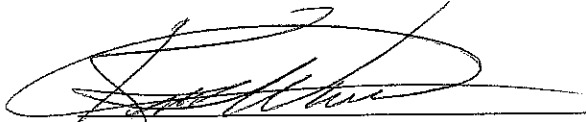
**Adjournment**

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by David Stewart to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m., the following vote was had:

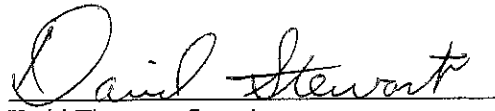
Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Shaw, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.



Keith Ward, President



Todd Thomas, Secretary