



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 December 23, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District was held on Monday, December 23, 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, Todd Thomas, Robert Walton and Keith Ward;
Absent: David Stewart

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

Visitors: None

Minutes

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by James Rippy to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 25, 2013, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Don Lucas left the meeting at 8:36 a.m.

Acceptance of Check Register

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

Ayes: Rippy, Shaw, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Lucas, Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Don Lucas returned to the meeting at 8:39 a.m.

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

Mr. Thomason reported that management is running the membranes less to minimize cracking which will extend the longevity of the membrane filters.

Mr. Thomason reported that management has contacted mayors asking for their support in RCLD's efforts to amend the Water Resources Development Act.

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Bids

Chemical – Mr. Thomason reported that RLCD has received multiple bids for water treatment chemicals and recommended that the Board award the bids to the lowest qualified bidders for each chemical.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Garage Doors – Mr. Thomason presented two bids to repair and install 8 garage doors at the General Maintenance Facility. Low bid was received by Anderson Overhead Door for \$7,360.

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Todd Thomas to award the repair and installation of 8 garage doors at the General Maintenance Facility to Anderson Overhead Door, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

IT Services – Mr. Thomason recommended that the Board approve the renewal of IT services with Concepte of Illinois at 100 hours for \$8,000.

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Robert Walton to approve the renewal of IT services with Concepte of Illinois at 100 hours for \$8,000, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Sesser Area Chamber of Commerce

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Don Lucas to renew membership with Sesser Area Chamber of Commerce for \$50, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Golf Course Loan Repayment

Mr. Rippy stated that he felt that the District should pay down the Regions Bank loan with the funds recreation has in the money market account to reduce the golf course portion of the loan. A discussion ensued in regards to how much should be paid down and the effect on the recreation department and other department loan payments. Management recommended waiting for the development of the recreation master plan or limiting the advance loan payment to \$100,000.

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Jere Shaw approving a loan payment of \$519,190 to be applied to the golf course loan, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Rippy, Shaw, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: Lucas

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Reduction of Sludge/Waste

Mr. Rippy requested management to produce an analysis to reduce sludge/waste. A discussion ensued in regards to chemical cost, chemical analysis, and how that related to sludge/waste. Mr. Ward suggested that management compare RLCD sludge operations to other utilities.

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Closed Session

Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Todd Thomas to go into Closed Session at 9:56 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 of Property (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, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by David Stewart to come out of Closed Session at 10:36 a.m. the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Restaurant Lease

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by James Rippy approving the recreation manager to negotiate a lease for the restaurant with Jeff Batts, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by Todd Thomas to approve the Closed Session Minutes of November 25, 2013, as presented, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

WTP Electrical Room Cooling System

Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Jere Shaw approving the lowest quoted price to replace the compressor for the electrical room cooling system, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Beth Ponce joined the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

Beth addressed the Board thanking them for her time at RLCD. She expressed how much she appreciated working for RLCD.

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Special Meeting Closed Session Minutes

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Robert Walton to approve the Special Meeting Closed Session Minutes of December 16, 2013, as presented, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Adjournment

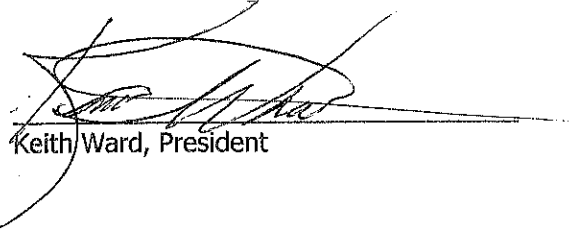
Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Jere Shaw to adjourn the meeting at 10:51 a.m., the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.



Keith Ward, President



Todd Thomas, Secretary