



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 23, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District was held on Monday, June 23, 2014, 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 Todd Thomas 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; Michael Johnston, Comptroller; Leonard Killman, Water Superintendent; and Robert Clodi, Executive Assistant.

Visitors: None

Minutes

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Keith Ward to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 19, 2014, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Acceptance of Check Register

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

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

Bids

24" Ductile Iron Solid Sleeves and Clamps

Mr. Thomason presented the bids for 24" Ductile Iron Solid Sleeves and Clamps. The Lowest Qualified Bidder was Utility Pipe Sales for \$7,868.26.

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Keith Ward to accept the lowest bid by Utility Pipe Sale, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

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Lift Station Piping Replacement

Mr. Thomason presented the bids for the Lift Station Piping Replacement. The Lowest Qualified Bidder was Haier Plumbing for \$17,680.00.

Motion was made by Jere Shaw and seconded by Keith Ward to accept the lowest bid by Haier Plumbing, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Shaw, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Abstain: Rippy

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Golf Ball Water Tower - Power Washing and Repainting

Mr. Clodi presented the bids to power wash and repaint the Golf Ball Water Tower Logo. The Board was presented with the options to repaint the existing logo as is or paint a new logo. The Board expressed their interest in repainting the existing logo. The Lowest Qualified Bidder to power wash and repaint the existing logo was Bill's Commercial Inc for \$21,800.00.

Motion was made by Keith Ward and seconded by Robert Walton to accept the lowest bid by Bill's Commercial Inc., the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Recreation Telephone System

Mr. Sanders presented the bids for a replacement recreation telephone system. The Board was presented with two options, a digital or IP based telephone system. The Lowest Qualified Bidder for both telephone systems was Morgan Birge and Associates, \$9,769.00 for digital and \$10,041.00 for IP.

Motion was made by Jere Shaw and seconded by Keith Ward to authorize management to choose the best telephone system for the recreation department and to purchase the system from Morgan Birge and Associates, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Cabana Remodeling

Mr. Sanders presented the bids for remodeling the cabana. The Lowest Qualified Bidder was Eubanks Construction for \$58,867.00.

Motion was made by Jere Shaw and seconded by Keith Ward to table the project, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

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Mr. Sanders also reported that the floor in the cabana has water damage that could be replaced through an insurance claim, noting that there is a \$1,000 deductible.

Motion was made by Todd Thomas and seconded by Keith Ward to authorizing management to submit the insurance claim and pay the deductible to repair the floor in the cabana, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Slurry Pump

Mr. Thomason requested pre-approval to purchase a slurry pump for the polishing basin from the lowest qualified quote. Mr. Thomason reported that one quote had been received from Heartland Pump for \$17,557.60 and two more quotes shall be solicited before the purchase.

Motion was made by Jere Shaw and seconded by Robert Walton authorizing the purchase of the slurry pump from the lowest qualified quote, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Lift Station Pumps

Mr. Thomason reported that the lift station pumps near Burton's Café in Whittington have failed. Mr. Thomason recommended purchasing two new pumps, one being a backup. Mr. Killman presented the quotes he had received to purchase the pumps. Mr. Killman recommended the purchase of the Flight Pumps quoted from Heartland Pump for \$46,164.00.

Motion was made by Jere Shaw and seconded by Keith Ward authorizing the purchase of two pumps from Heartland Pump for \$46,164.00, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Lodge Mower

Mr. Sanders requested approval to purchase a new mower for the Lodge. The lowest quote was received from Dixie Chopper Mower for \$9,450.00. Mr. Sanders advised that the mower has been delivered to the lodge and has been used. A discussion ensued regarding the uses of the mower before approval was granted by the Board.

Motion was made by Keith Ward and seconded by Jere Shaw authorizing the purchase of the mower from Dixie Chopper Mower, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Thomas, Ward

Nays: Rippy, Shaw, Walton

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion failed.

Motion was made by Robert Walton and seconded by Keith Ward authorizing the purchase of the mower from Dixie Chopper Mower and to have management to discuss purchasing procedures with the Lodge Manager, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

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Rend Lake Fireworks

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by James Rippy authorizing the donation of \$2,000 to the Rend Lake Fireworks, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Rippy, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: Shaw

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Resolution 477-Midland States Bank Account Authorization

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by Robert Walton approving the resolution for depositories and officer signature authority with Midland States Bank, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Ordinance 273 – Prevailing Wage

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Todd Thomas to approve Ordinance 273, Prevailing Wage Ordinance, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2014

Mr. Johnston presented the Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2014.

Board Travel Expense

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Robert Walton authorizing travel expenses to a Board training seminar for Trustee Todd Thomas, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried.

Closed Session

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Robert Walton to go into Closed Session at 10:29 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); (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.

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Return to Open Session

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Don Lucas to come out of Closed Session at 10:55 a.m. 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 Robert Walton and second by Todd Thomas to approve the closed session minutes of May 19, 2014, 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 Jere Shaw and second by Don Lucas to adjourn the meeting at 11:09 a.m., the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Stewart

The President declared the motion carried


Todd Thomas, President


James Rippy, Secretary