



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 September 24, 2018

The Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District held a regular meeting on Monday, September 24, 2018, at the Rend Lake Conservancy District Administration Office, 11231 Marcum Branch Road, Benton, Illinois. President Todd Thomas called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. The following attended:

Board of Trustees: In physical attendance: Ernest Collins, Paul Lawrence, Nicholas LeMay, Todd Thomas, Robert Walton, and Keith Ward; Absent: Kisha Jackson

Staff: Keith Thomason, General Manager; Larry Sanders, Legal Counsel; Michael Johnston, Comptroller; Leonard Killman, Water Plant Superintendent; and Jen Zinzilieta, Executive Assistant

Pledge of Allegiance

Visitors: Stephen Kaufmann and Gregory Odom, HeplerBroom Law Firm

Minutes

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Nicholas LeMay to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2018, Regular Meeting as presented, the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Acceptance of Check Register

Board members reviewed the check register. Management answered questions presented by the Board.

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Paul Lawrence to accept the Check Register as presented, the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

General Manager's Report

Mr. Thomason presented the General Manager's report covering the following items:

- IEPA water requirements continue to be met
- Report of the daily average and maximum flows of drinking water was given

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- The new high service pump has developed problems and is being evaluated for possible warranty repair.
- Staff is accumulating atrazine sample data. A report will be given next month regarding the data collected.
- Staff is working toward a switch from aqua ammonia to ammonium sulfate to remedy the ammonia vapor problem in the 3rd floor chemical room at the water plant. A permit has been submitted and testing will begin as soon as approved by the IEPA.
- Golf revenues are behind the budgeted revenues.
- Lodge revenues are down from last year. Lodge management is to review the bookings and attempt to identify probable revenue impacts.

Financial Report

Mr. Johnston presented the financial report for the month of August. Mr. Johnston reported that Big Muddy Prison owed the District \$575,104 and the state, in total, owed the District \$625,148. He also reported that the lodge revenue was down in August compared to last year because in 2017 the eclipse brought in extra revenue. Also, a large group comes every other August to the lodge and 2018 was the year the group is not scheduled to stay at the lodge.

Engineering Projects

Mr. Thomason provided an update on the following engineering projects:

IWS South Discharge Project

Mr. Thomason reported the IWS South Discharge Project is completed. Cleanup around the plant still needs to be completed.

Secondary WTP Discharge Line

Mr. Thomason reported the US Corp of Engineers has signed the easement. There has been a significant delay concerning the start date of the project; however, the project should begin within the next month.

Peach Orchard Road Project

Mr. Thomason reported the first section of the project is completed. The second section of the project will be the next project to be completed.

Leased Facilities

Mr. Sanders reported on the leased facilities of the District.

- Restaurant: Mr. Sanders reported that the signage on the highway has been straightened and has been allowed to be kept per Board direction. The sign at the front of the course will also be allowed to stay with permanent posts placed in the ground. Mr. Sanders also reported that the amendment to the contract is still not signed by Anthony. Discussion ensued regarding the repair of the cooler at the restaurant.

Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Keith Ward to authorize management to repair the cooler at the restaurant even if the amendment to the restaurant contract is not signed by Anthony Heinrich by the next Board meeting, the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

- Mr. Sanders reported that MT Realty and the leasee of the Rend Lake Shooting Complex are currently paid in full.
- Farms: Mr. Sanders reported that one of the farmers would like approval to plant winter wheat in the field. Discussion ensued regarding information and benefits of planting wheat.

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Upon motion by Nicholas LeMay and second by Paul Lawrence to allow the farmer to plant winter wheat during the 2018-2019 planting season, the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Bids and Purchases

Concepte of Illinois, Inc.

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Todd Thomas to approve a block of 100 hours at \$82.00/hour for IT technical support from Concepte of Illinois, Inc., the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Purchase of Butterfly Valves

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by Keith Ward to preauthorize the purchase of three different size butterfly valves from the company with the low quote not to exceed \$2,420 for the 18" butterfly valve, \$4,378 for the 24" butterfly valve, and \$9,030 for the 30" butterfly valve, the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Closed Session

Upon motion by Todd Thomas and second by Nicholas LeMay to go into Closed Session at 9:35 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 Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by Robert Walton to come out of Closed Session at 10:15 a.m., the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Resolution 506 – Authorizing Abatement of Taxes of the I-57 Enterprise Zone

Upon motion by Nicholas LeMay and second by Keith Ward to approve Resolution 506 - Authorizing Abatement of Taxes of the I-57 Enterprise Zone, the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

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Travel Policy

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Paul Lawrence to approve the travel policy adding the words "written authority is not needed upon an emergency situation", the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Nicholas LeMay to approve the Closed Session Minutes of the August 27, 2018, Regular Meeting as presented the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Amended Settlement with Evoqua/Siemens and CDM

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by Ernest Collins to accept the amended settlement with Evoqua/Siemens and to accept the CDM settlement with the date changed, the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.

Adjournment

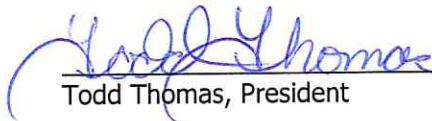
Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Ernest Collins to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m., the Board voted as follows:

Ayes: Collins, Lawrence, LeMay, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: None

Absent: Jackson

The President declared the motion carried.



Todd Thomas, President



Robert Walton, Secretary