



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 May 23, 2022

The Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District held a regular meeting on Monday, May 23, 2022, at the Rend Lake Conservancy District Administration Office, 11231 Marcum Branch Road, Benton, IL. President Michael Warren called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. The following attended:

Board of Trustees: In physical attendance: Ernest Collins, Paul Lawrence, Nicholas LeMay, Todd Thomas, Robert Walton, Keith Ward, and Michael Warren.

Staff: In physical attendance: Keith Thomason, General Manager; Larry Sanders, General Counsel, Michael Johnston, Comptroller; Sean Pickford, District Engineer; Tony Furlow, Water Plant Superintendent; Jeremy Richardson, IWS Distribution Manager; Pete Hunter, Golf Course Superintendent; Jason Stille, Golf Professional; Amy Krueger, Season's Lodge Manager; and Jen Zinzilieta, Executive Assistant.

Visitors: None

Minutes

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Nicholas LeMay to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2022, Public Hearing and the April 25, 2022, Regular Meeting as presented, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Acceptance of Check Register

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, Warren

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Report of the Executive Team

Mr. Keith Thomason presented a report regarding the following items:

- A report of the District's response to the Coronavirus Pandemic was given. The managers and employees continue to do a good job with safety precautions.
- A report was given regarding the financial standing of the recreation departments.
- A report was given regarding the projects that have been completed during the winter months at the lodge and golf course.

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- A reminder was given regarding the youth Scholastic 3D National Archery Tournament which will be held in June at the North Marcum Archery Complex at Rend Lake.
- A report was given regarding the US Army Corps of Engineers inspection of the general maintenance area and the golf course maintenance area.

Mr. Michael Johnston presented the financial report for the month.

- Mr. Johnston reported on the finances of each department.
- Mr. Johnston reported that Big Muddy Prison owes the District \$606,375 and the state, in total, owes the District \$693,727.

Report of the Department Managers

Mr. Tony Furlow, Water Superintendent, presented the following information:

- A report of the daily average and maximum flows of drinking water was given.
- A report was given regarding the EPA regulations being met.
- A report of the water plant equipment and repairs was given.
- A report was given regarding the sewer system and lift stations.

Mr. Jeremy Richardson, IWS Distribution Manager, presented the following information:

- A report of the water and sewer leaks during the past month was given.
- A report of the maintenance, repairs, and upgrades in the water system was given.
- A report was given regarding the training RLCD conducted for its employees and the District's wholesale customers on May 18, 2022.

Mr. Sean Pickford, District Engineer, presented the following information:

- A report of the engineering projects was given.

Mr. Jason Stillely, Golf Professional, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding the amount of play at the golf course.

Mrs. Amy Krueger, Manager of Season's Lodge and Condominiums, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding the occupancy at the lodge and condominiums including corporate groups that have been staying during the week.

District's Strategic Plan

Mr. Thomason stated that the Strategic Plan has been updated and provides an overall direction of the District.

Bids and Purchases

Electricity Bid Update

Mr. Johnston presented information regarding the current electricity costs. He suggested that the District continue purchasing the electricity on a month-by-month basis.

Illinois Legislative Update

Mr. Sanders informed the Board that Mr. Bradley continues to keep in touch with him on legislation that might impact the District.

Election of Officers

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by Ernest Collins to retain all the officers from the 2021-2022 term for the 2022-2023 term which are Michael Warren, President; Nicholas LeMay, Vice-President; Robert Walton, Secretary; and J. Lawrence Sanders, Treasurer, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

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The President declared the motion carried.

Closed Session

Upon motion by Ernest Collins and second by Paul Lawrence to go into Closed Session at 9:55 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, Warren

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Mr. Collins left the meeting at 9:56 a.m.

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by Nicholas LeMay to come out of Closed Session at 10:55 a.m., the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Collins

The President declared the motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Michael Warren to approve the Closed Session Minutes of the April 25, 2022, Regular Meeting as presented, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Collins

The President declared the motion carried.

Performance Compensation

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Paul Lawrence to approve performance compensation for managers as discussed, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Collins

The President declared the motion carried.

Adjournment

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Paul Lawrence to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 a.m., the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Collins

The President declared the motion carried.


Michael Warren, President


Robert Walton, Secretary