

# 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 October 20, 2012

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District was held on Monday, October 20, 2012, 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, and Keith Ward; Absent: Robert Walton

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

Visitors: None

#### **Minutes**

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Jere Shaw to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 25, 2012, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None Absent: Walton

The President declared the motion carried

#### **Acceptance of Check Register**

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

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

Nays: None Absent: Walton

The President declared the motion carried

Robert Walton enters the meeting at 8:59 am.

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

#### Bids

<u>Fuel</u> – Bids for the purchase of fuel were due October 16, 2012 with 2 bids received: Low bid was received from Wabash Valley.

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Don Lucas to award the bid for the purchase of Fuel to Wabash Valley, the following vote was had:

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

Navs: None

The President declared the motion carried

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### Submersible Pump

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Todd Thomas to pre-approve the lowest qualifying bidder for the purchase of a submersible pump, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried

### **West Frankfort Chamber of Commerce**

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Jere Shaw to approve the renewal of the member to the West Frankfort Chamber of Commerce, if lower, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried

## **Mobile Equipment 5 Year Replacement Plan**

Mr. Thomason presented the Mobile Equipment 5 Year Replacement Plan and explained how our plan benchmarks against Milwaukee, Kinkaid-Reed's Creel Conservancy District, and Carbondale.

### Finances - Tax/Rates/Loans

Each Board member was given an opportunity to discuss the financial state of the District. Topics ranged from tax levy, rates for services, loan repayment, aging infrastructure, replacement of equipment, and current and proposed projects.

Mr. Thomason presented two reports, Important Projects for Short Term Consideration and Capital Set Aside Fund Analysis for System Replacement.

#### **Closed Session**

Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Jere Shaw to go into Closed Session at 10:45 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); (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

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Robert Walton to come out of Closed Session at 11:20 a.m. the following vote was had:

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

Navs: None

The President declared the motion carried

### **Health Fair**

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Robert Walton approving the plan for a company health fair and health club incentives as a means to reduce health care costs, 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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### **Closed Session Minutes**

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Robert Walton to approve the Closed Session Minutes of September 25, 2012 as presented, 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 Todd Tomas to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 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

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