



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 24, 2022

The Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District held a regular meeting on Monday, October 24, 2022, at the Rend Lake Golf Course Banquet Room, 12476 Golf Course Road, Whittington, IL. President Michael Warren called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The following attended:

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

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

Visitors: Anna Guetersloh, CPA from Kerber, Eck, & Braeckel, LLP

Minutes

Upon motion by Ernest Collins and second by Robert Walton to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2022, Regular Meeting as presented, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Acceptance of Check Register

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2022

Anna Guetersloh, CPA from Kerber, Eck, & Braeckel, LLP, presented the auditor's report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2022.

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by John Spence to accept the auditor's report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2022 as presented, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

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Report of the Executive Team

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

- Mr. Thomason gave an updated report regarding the Coronavirus. The District continues to have protocols in place for the safety of everyone.
- A report was given regarding the recreation departments.
- A report was given that the development consultant, FGM Architects, has begun work on the recreation planning initial study.
- A report was given regarding the prep work that is being done for the winter upgrades at the recreation department. Also, the project crew is currently clearing around the lake so the lake is more visible from the golf course.
- Mr. Thomason reported that the Wine & Art Festival at Rend Lake was held October 8 & 9 at the Buck & Bass Cabin area. The festival was very successful this year at the new location.
- Mr. Thomason continues to meet with the smaller towns in the area to learn of any issues they are dealing with and offer the District's assistance.

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 \$658,056 and the state, in total, owes the District \$750,785.

Report of the Department Managers

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

- A report was given regarding the upgrades that will be happening at the lodge and condos this winter.

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

- A report was given regarding the rounds played in September and October.

Mr. Pete Hunter, Golf Course Superintendent, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding the aerification of the greens on the golf course.
- A report was given regarding the dedication and commitment that Pete's staff has to the golf course.

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 was given regarding chemical supply issues.
- A report was given regarding taste and odor issues.
- A report of the water plant equipment and repairs was given.
- A report was given regarding the sewer system and lift stations.
- A report of the membrane system was given.

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 long wall project the mine in Macedonia is preparing to do and the effects it might have on the water system in that area.
- A report was given regarding the inventory for the water system.
- A report was given regarding the need to repair a 500 HP motor. He has received three quotes for the repair and is waiting to receive one more quote.

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Upon motion by Todd Thomas and second by Paul Lawrence to approve the repair of the 500 HP motor by Zeller Technologies, Inc. for \$15,412, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

District's Strategic Plan

Mr. Thomason stated that the Strategic Plan provides an overall direction of the District. Mr. Thomason reported that the Strategic Plan will be changing as the priorities change and projects are completed. He has provided an updated strategic plan in the board packet.

Bids and Purchases

Mr. Thomason presented information regarding the approval of a one-year field service partnership for three 2200PCX particle counters with Hach Company for a total of \$5,955.00.

Electricity Bid

Mr. Thomason and Mr. Johnston presented information regarding the electricity bid. Four bids were received for the commercial accounts of the District.

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by Ernest Collins to approve the electricity bid from Constellation Energy for one year at a rate of \$0.10202 per kWh, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

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.

Closed Session

Upon motion by Ernest Collins and second by Nicholas LeMay to go into Closed Session at 9:30 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, Spence, Thomas, Walton, Warren

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Upon motion by Ernest Collins and second by Paul Lawrence to come out of Closed Session at 10:20 a.m., the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

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Closed Session Minutes

Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Ernest Collins to approve the Closed Session Minutes of the September 26, 2022, Regular Meeting as presented, the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Adjournment

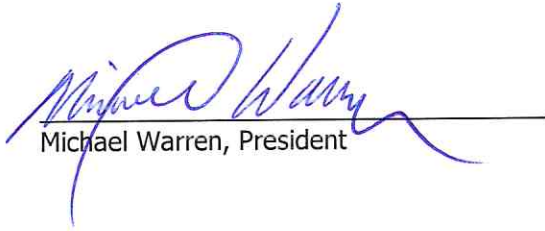
Upon motion by Ernest Collins and second by Nicholas LeMay to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m., the Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

The President declared the motion carried.



Michael Warren, President



Robert Walton, Secretary