

REND LAKE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE REND LAKE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT HELD December 17, 2012

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District was held on Monday, December 17, 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, Robert Walton, and Keith Ward

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

Visitors: Reanne Palmer, Morning Sentinel; Tesa Glass, Mt. Vernon Register-News

Minutes

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Don Lucas to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 26, 2012, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Acceptance of Check Register

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

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

Navs: None

The President declared the motion carried.

General Manager's Report: Keith Thomason discussed the December General Manager's Report and provided an Engineering update. Mr. Thomason requested authority to execute the grant agreement from IEMA for the Rend Lake Bypass Project.

Upon motion by Robert Walton and second by Todd Thomas to grant the General Manager the authority to execute the grant agreement from IEMA for the Rend Lake Bypass Project, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

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Change Order

<u>West Frankfort Pump Station</u> – Management requested approval for a change order to relocate the switchgear at the West Frankfort Pump Station, costing \$16,900.

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Todd Thomas to approve a change order of \$16,900 for the relocation of the switchgear at the West Frankfort Pump Station, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Membrane Performance

The Board held a discussion on the membrane performance. No action was taken.

IMRF - Resolution 462

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by James Rippy to approve Resolution 462, to allow service credit for military service, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Sewer Rates - Ordinance 266

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by Robert Walton to approve Ordinance 266, Sewer Rates, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Water Rates

Upon motion by Keith Ward and second by Robert Walton to restructure the water rates of Ordinance 267 to be as follows:

In District rates will increase 0% year one, 1% year two, 3% year three, 3% year four, and 3% year five. Out of District rates will increase 3.5% year one, 3.5% year two, 3% year three, 3% year four, and 3% year five.

The following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: Rippy, Shaw

The President declared the motion carried.

Water Rates - Ordinance 267

Upon motion by Don Lucas and second by Robert Walton to approve Ordinance 267, Water Rates as amended, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Lucas, Stewart, Thomas, Walton, Ward

Nays: Rippy, Shaw

The President declared the motion carried.

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Finances - Tax/Rates/Loans

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by David Stewart to request the Board to reconsider the elimination of the taxes used to support the Intercity Water Department, the following vote was had:

Ayes: Rippy, Shaw, Stewart,

Nays: Lucas, Thomas, Walton, Ward The President declared the motion failed.

Bids

<u>Chemicals</u>: Bids for water treatment chemicals were due December 13, 2012. Each chemical was bid separately. Management recommended the chemical contracts be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder. Management noted that some testing would be needed to determine the qualified bidder on certain chemicals.

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by Robert Walton to award the bids for water treatment plant chemicals to the lowest qualified bidder, the following vote was had:

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

Navs: None

The President declared the motion carried.

<u>Shooting Complex Roof</u>: Bids for Shooting Complex Roof were due December 7, 2012 with three bids received. The Board decided to delay the award of the bid to research the cost of a metal roof.

Closed Session

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Robert Walton to go into Closed Session at 10:30 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 (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

Navs: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Upon motion by Todd Thomas and second by Don Lucas to come out of Closed Session at 11:00 a.m. the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes

Upon motion by James Rippy and second by Don Lucas to approve the Closed Session Minutes of November 26, 2012 as presented, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

Mitigation Agreement - Akin Mine/Kline Group

Upon motion by Jere Shaw and second by James Rippy to authorize the General Manager to negotiate and execute the mitigation agreement, the following vote was had:

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

Nays: None

The President declared the motion carried.

AdjournmentUpon motion by Jere Shaw and second by James Rippy to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 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