



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 23, 2024

The Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District held a regular meeting on Monday, September 23, 2024, 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: Gary Williams, General Manager; Sean Pickford, District Engineer; Tony Furlow, IWS/Sewer Manager; Jeremy Richardson, Distribution Superintendent; Wesley Ing, Assistant Distribution Superintendent; Keith Vaughn, Buildings Construction and Repair Manager; Amy Krueger, Seasons Lodge Manager; Jason Stilley, Golf Professional; Pete Hunter, Golf Course Superintendent; Amanda Worley, Seasons Restaurant Manager; Judith Markham, Comptroller; and Jen Zinzilieta, Office Manager.

Legal Counsel: Jonathan Cantrell

Visitors: None

Minutes – Regular Meeting

Upon motion by Ernest Collins and second by Nicholas LeMay to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2024, 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 Robert Walton and second by John Spence 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.

Report of the Executive Team

Mr. Gary Williams, General Manager, presented the following information:

- A report was given highlighting the information provided in the General Manager's Report included in the Board packet.

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

- A report was given highlighting the information provided in the Engineer's Report included in the Board packet.
- Mr. Pickford recognized Tony Furlow for being named "Operator of the Year" by the Illinois Potable Water Supply Operators.

Report of the Managers

Mrs. Judith Markham, Comptroller, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding the financial reports of the District.
- A report was given regarding the audit that is being performed and the scheduled completion date.

Mr. Tony Furlow, IWS/Sewer Manager, 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 the Macedonia and Nason water systems.
- A report was given regarding the sewer system and lift stations.
- A report was given regarding the projects at the water plant.
- A report was given regarding the CDL training and CDL drug testing program.
- A safety report was given regarding the employees at the water plant.

Mr. Jeremy Richardson, Distribution Superintendent, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding the water breaks and leaks during the past month.
- A report was given regarding distribution operations and maintenance in the water system.
- A report was given regarding the inventory for the distribution system.

Mr. Wesley Ing, Assistant Distribution Superintendent, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding sludge operations.

Mr. Keith Vaughn, Buildings Construction and Repair Manager, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding the projects that have been completed and those that are still in process throughout the District.

Ms. Amanda Worley, Seasons Restaurant Manager, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding the employee status of the restaurant.

Mrs. Amy Krueger, Seasons Lodge Manager, presented the following information:

- A report was given regarding reservations at the lodge, condominiums, and cabins during the past month.

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

- A report was given regarding the tee time bookings during the month.

District's Strategic Plan

Mr. Gary Williams reported that the District's Strategic Plan continues to be updated with the completion of projects.

Video Gaming

Discussion was held regarding video gaming at Seasons Restaurant.

Illinois Legislative Update

Mr. John Bradley provided a memorandum regarding an update on legislative matters and news that might affect the Rend Lake Conservancy District.

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Ordinance 321 – Amending the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget

Upon motion by Nicholas LeMay and second by John Spence to approve Ordinance 321 – Amending the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget 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.

Closed Session

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by Ernest Collins to go into Closed Session at 9:50 a.m. for the following purposes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)): (1) Personnel (For the Discussion of the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal); (2) To Discuss Collective Negotiating Matters; and 2(c)(5)-(6) To Discuss the Lease of Real Property, 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 10:30 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.

Adjournment

Upon motion by Ernest Collins and second by John Spence to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 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