



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 April 28, 2025

The Board of Trustees of the Rend Lake Conservancy District held a regular meeting on Monday, April 28, 2025, at the Rend Lake Event Center, 14967 Gun Creek Trail, 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; Jeremy Richardson, IWS Distribution Superintendent; Keith Vaughn, Buildings Construction and Repair Manager; Amy Krueger, Seasons Lodge Manager; Pete Hunter, Golf Course Superintendent; 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 Paul Lawrence to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2025, 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 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.

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.

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Report of the Managers

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

- A report was given regarding the financial statements included in the Board packet.

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

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

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.

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

- A report was given regarding maintenance being done on the golf course preparing for the upcoming season.

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

- A report was given regarding the updates to the lodge and condominiums preparing for the upcoming season.

District's Strategic Plan

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

Bids / RFPs / Purchases / Contracts

Approvals for Bids/Purchases/Contracts

Upon motion by Paul Lawrence and second by Ernest Collins to approve the following items:

- Approval of the Golf Course Chemical Bids – Award the bid for the golf course chemicals to the lowest bidder for each chemical, and award the bid when the price is the same due to agency pricing to any of the approved bidders.
- Approval of the Renewal of Property and Casualty Insurance with IPARKS
- Approval of the Renewal of Workers' Compensation Insurance with Encova Insurance for a Total Policy Premium of \$95,262.00
- Approval of a Marketing and Sponsorship Agreement with Saluki Sports Properties, LLC for a one-year term

The Board voted as follows:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Thomas

The President declared the motion carried.

State and Federal Legislative Update

Mr. Gary Williams provided a report which outlined the bills of interest that could affect the District.

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Ordinance 326 – Annual Budget and Appropriation May 1, 2025 – April 30, 2026

Upon motion by John Spence and second by Nicholas LeMay to approve the Ordinance 326 – Annual Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for May 1, 2025 – April 30, 2026 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 9:35 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); 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 Todd Thomas to come out of Closed Session at 9:45 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 Nicholas LeMay and second by Ernest Collins to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 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