

MINUTES
TRI-LAKES REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT
April 12, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Tom Wise, President, called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM. The meeting was held at the Tri-Lakes District Office, 5240 N. Old 102, Columbia City, IN.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken. Board members present were Priscilla Peters, Bill Brice, Jerry Burns, Ruth Orr, and Linda Parker. Carol Martin and Heather Palan were also in attendance.

GUEST AND CUSTOMERS INQUIRIES DIRECTED TO TRUSTEES

Ron Gatchell – E Colony Ave – Addressed the Trustees regarding his garage he just connected to the sewer and why he had to pay the Phase 2 rates. Carol Martin explained that anyone that came in after the time Phase 2 was completed in 2001 and paid the current connection fee was subject to Phase 2 rates.

Ashley Kellogg – 4898 Malcolm Ct – Wrote letter to Trustees asking for discount on connection fee due to needing to hook up to the sewer due to having 11 children and their current septic system is not able to keep up. After much discussion, the board decided to not give a discount. Linda motioned to not give a discount and Priscilla seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0).

MINUTES & REPORTS

The Minutes and Financial reports were emailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Ruth made a motioned to approve the minutes as written, Jerry Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0). Priscilla motioned to accept financial reports, Linda Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0).

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed a \$1.43 rate increase for June 1, 2021 and voted to hold a public hearing at the district office on May 10, at 5:30 pm. Priscilla motioned to hold meeting and Ruth seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0).

A tree at the Big Lake station (E) has died and leaning towards the building. Phillips Tree Service had quoted \$800 and Straub Tree Service \$900. Priscilla motioned to have Phillips Tree Service to take down the tree and Linda seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0).

Generator at Big Lake (E) radiator needs repaired. Quote from Evapar came in at \$2,826.26. Ruth motioned to accept quote; Priscilla seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0).

OLD BUSINESS

Gerdes Insurance claim had no updates this month.

Heather received email from Angela Grable asking for the dollar amount from the engineer to run the line to the lots on the backside of Big Lake off 500 S. The quote came back from engineers at approx. \$230,000 for sewer mains.

Mike Seigel finished project at the ponds.

ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

Heather let the Trustees know that email had been received for upcoming Knapp Lake audit.

With nothing more to discuss, Priscilla made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Linda Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried by six (6) to zero (0). Meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm.



Linda Parker, Secretary