

MINUTES
TRI-LAKES REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT
August 10, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Tim Brower, President, called the meeting to order at 5 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 Tim Brower, Tom Wise, Linda Parker, Priscilla Peters, Ruth Orr, Sue Schroeder and George Schrupf. Carol Martin and Cliff Creason were also in attendance.

CUSTOMER CONCERNS

Tom Wise had one customer call him to give a compliment on the service and help she received from the office regarding a grinder call out.

MINUTES & REPORTS

The Minutes, Operations and Maintenance Reports were emailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Tim asked for any additions, deletions or questions on any of them. George made a motion to approve reports as presented, Ruth seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried by seven (7) to zero (0).

OLD BUSINESS

Carol reported on the bid submitted to Knapp Lake Conservancy District to take on their administrative functions. The bids were due 8/10/15 and would be reviewed 8/12/15 with interviews to follow from the final selections of the top candidates.

NEW BUSINESS

There has been a broken or blocked tile from the pond next to our flow meter. Both the base and the pit have been surrounded by water with the sump pump running around the clock just circulating the water. We have already burned out one pump in the short time the meter has been in. Neither of the two homeowner whos yards are under water have the funds to do much with the tile. George Schrupf has been out looking at the situation as a commissioner, but being on private land the county isn't able to help with the situation. One estimate from the Mike Siegel to dig up the line to find the situation and then repair the yard was \$2,000-2,500. George said the county estimated a new line could be installed and tied into a county tile for \$1,500. Priscilla made a motion we contribute half of the cost not to exceed \$1000.00 towards repairing the tile; Sue seconded the motion. Verbal vote of the motion carried by seven (7) to zero (0).

ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

Thanks to Linda Parker and Priscilla with their donation of plants/time and labor with the landscaping and thanks to Ruth for help with the painting. The office renovation has turned out to be better than expected with many praises from our customers.

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UPDATES CONTINUED:

Treating the lift stations with the enzyme has made a notable difference with the grease build up. It's going to take another treatment and recommended continued maintenance will keep the tanks clear from the buildup. This is still more cost effective then manually cleaning just one of the tanks.

Having missed last month's board meeting with a proposal for a new contract, John Hardsoc from AirVac had promised to have something to present to the board for the August meeting. Carol has not heard a word from him since July 14th and no proposal for this meeting. After checking on the controllers Carol found that Rod Hadderly from Air Vac had picked up some, but has been out recovering from surgery for the past three weeks. Not sure when he will be returning or able to start working on installing the controllers and they still are short on the valve rebuild kits.

Carol is to work on putting something together for a maintenance agreement to send out for other bids.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Sue made a motion to adjourn and Ruth seconded the motion. All Board members voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried. Tim adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Sue Schroeder, Secretary