

MINUTES
TRI-LAKES REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT
August 10, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Linda Parker, Secretary, called the meeting to order at 5:00 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, Tom Wise, Ruth Orr, Bill Brice, and Jerry Burns. Carol Martin, Cliff Creason and Heather Palan were also in attendance.

GUEST AND CUSTOMERS INQUIRIES DIRECTED TO TRUSTEES

A local farmer called in while mowing roadside about black water on top of where our sewer line runs along State Road 9. Water samples will be taken tomorrow since they are accepted at the county on Tuesdays.

MINUTES & REPORTS

The Minutes and Financial reports were emailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. And the Trustees approved. Priscilla motioned to approve the minutes as written and Ruth Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0). Tom motioned to accept financials and Priscilla Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0).

NEW BUSINESS

Tim Brower had resigned from the board on July 29th. After much discussion, Tom Wise was appointed President, Priscilla motion to appoint Tom and Jerry Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried five (5) to zero (0), as Tom did not vote. Tom will also take Tim's position on the Executive Committee.

Heather received a call from IDEM of a Complaint filed by the family who had the German Shepherd that was on reported to be on the property at Station E at Big Lake. Heather explained to IDEM what she did know since she did not personally see the dog. IDEM closed the case and was notifying the family of the dog since it was on our property and we did have Strombeck Brothers Suck Truck on site, caution tape up, etc.

Evapar was out to install thermostat at the Station I – School, while doing so it was recommended, we replace radiator hoses, a coolant sensor, belt, etc. the quote came in at \$1,626.49. Tom motioned to use the recommendation and replace parts, and Ruth seconded it; verbal vote of the motion carried six (6) to zero (0).

Mike Seigel let Heather know that the D Valve on Goss Rd is extremely difficult to close and he is worried about the brass rod breaking off and causing the valve to shut. He recommends it being replaced. It is unknown what brand of valve is in there. Mike reached out to Core and Main and EJP and it has been narrowed down to three (3) brands of valves. After much discussion, all three (3) brands will be purchased to be able to repair the D Valve when it is dug up. The remaining valves will be used at the ponds for the reroute project. Ruth motioned to order all three (3) brands, Priscilla seconded; verbal vote carried six (6) to zero (0).

Heather discussed with the Trustees about past due accounts and that at this time the disconnection executive order is to end on August 14. Heather will begin yellow tagging and disconnects when the executive order allows.

OLD BUSINESS

Received updated information from GRW Engineering regarding development on 109. They recommended having low pressure grinder system put in with mains coming in off 109. Heather will present to owners.

No update on suit filed between insurance companies regarding Gerdes backup.

No news on land next to school.

The paperwork has been turned into IDEM for the area Noble County granted.

Northland Estates permit has been turned into IDEM, but we have not heard back yet. GRW Engineers confirmed IDEM had received our paperwork.

No new news on Lots on backside of Big Lake.

ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

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Heather let Trustees know that she has posted on the website that the district is looking for a Noble Township board member. She also reached out to Scott Zeigler, Noble Township Trustee, but has not received a call back.

With nothing more to discuss, Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ruth seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried by six (6) to zero (0). Meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.

Linda Parker, Secretary