## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

## OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF TURKEY CREEK REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees of the Turkey Creek Regional Sewer District met in the Office of the said District, 4852 North 1200 West, Cromwell, Indiana, on the 17th of January 2022. Such meeting pursuant to annual notice in accordance with the rules of the Board of Trustees and I.C. 5-14-1.5.

President Boone read the following: Public comments or questions will be addressed during the "General Public Business" section of tonight's agenda. Therefore if anyone has a comment to present which has not already been presented, or a question to ask which has not previously been asked please do so when acknowledged by the Board. State your name and you will be allowed 2 minutes for your comment or discussion of you question.

The meeting opened with the election of officers for the year 2022. Trustee Mikolaczak made the motion to maintain and keep the officers in the same positions in 2022 that served in 2021. The motion was seconded by Trustee Herdrich and carried. The officers for 2022 are President-James Boone, Vice President-Robert Dumford and Secretary/Treasurer-Donald Dewitt.

President Boone called for the roll of members of the Board shown to be present or absent is as follows:

**PRESENT** 

James Boone Robert Dumford Brad Fishburn Jeff Heirdrich Dan Mikolajczak **ABSENT** 

James Young Donald Dewitt

Also present were Andy Boxberger of Carson LLP, Jane Bauer, Assistant Office Manager, Pam Johns-Office Manager and Timothy Woodward, District Superintendent and Chelsea Los (phones in). There were also one individual from the public in attendance.

President Boone verified that each Board Member had a copy of the minutes from the December 20, 2021 regular meeting. A motion was made by Trustee Dumford to approve the minutes as amended (James Young was not at the meeting). The motion was seconded by Trustee Mikolajczak and carried.

After reviewing the claims and verifying the charge from Wallace Plumbing Trustee Dumford made the motion to pay claim #'s 3363,65,68,78 and 3380 from the Water Fund, plus claim #'s 3347-8, 50-3, 55-84 and 3386-87 from the Sewer O & M Fund. Also approved were check #'s 2333-35 from the Water Fund and check #'s 18812, 18689, 18855-84 and 3329-3345 EFT from the O & M Fund. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mikolajczak and carried.

President Boone stated that Jeff Hersha had asked that the Board approve the payment for the project going under the railroad. The \$2500.00 application fee needs to be approved along with the \$15000.00-20000.00 permit fee for working with the railroad. Trustee Mikolajczak made the motion to pass the \$2500.00 application fee and the \$15000-20000.00 permit fee. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dumford and passed.

Tim stated that approximately 119 (63%) stakes have been set along the Northshore/Eastshore area marking locations for taps.

Attorney Boxberger reported that the District received a response to the county from ARPA funds requested (\$800,000.00) for the repaving of the road in the Northshore/Eastshore area after the project has been completed. The county response states that they are tabling all requests until they find what monies may be available from the Infrastructure Bill. Attorney Boxberger will keep the Board updated. Attorney Boxberger stated the Chris attended the preconstruction meeting which went well. The next construction meeting is set for Feb 10<sup>th</sup>. Selge will set a construction trailer at the plant and will be storing material and equipment at the plant.

Tim reported that he has given the District's contractor the information regarding what the District agreed to do for the Whitehead property in order to keep it in service while construction is taking place. Tim also stated that he has been surprised at the number of septic systems that he is seeing lakeside, which does reinforce the need for sewer service in the area.

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Tim reported on the well at the water plant that quit working. It has now been rebuilt and it now has a whole new column. It is the well that had a problem in Oct and was working at 40%. Tim reported that we may want to get a backup pump at a cost of approximately \$3500.00. If water is not available from the wells the District must by law supply 3 gallons per person per day. After discussion the motion was made by Trustee Dumford to order a backup pump for well #1 at a cost not to exceed \$3500.00. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mikolajczak and passed.

Tim discussed the idea of getting a company credit card that would cover the cost of water if necessary and also for purchases from companies where the District does not have an account. After discussion Trustee Dumford made the motion to get a company credit card with a limit of \$25000.00 with Tim and Pam as the only authorized users. The motion was seconded by Trustee Herdrich and carried.

The screener building has had a freezing problem and we will have Jones and Henry Engineering review the specs but in the meantime we are running it 24 hours a day in order to keep it from freezing.

The plant has 4 pumps (one for each tank) and the check valves have been sticking. This is a similar problem that the District had with the surge tank. Tim is recommending that all 4 check valves be replaced.

He is reviewing procedures for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday and will report back to the Board with his recommendations. All the generators were checked and fuel tanks topped off. A leak was discovered at one generator site. It was on the NIPSCO side and they had it fixed within 2 hours.

Tim is still working on the valve schedule and will have a report this spring.

There was a property owner in attendance who was inquiring about a sewer permit so he could get a building permit from the county. Attorney Boxberger stated that he had already contacted the county and the property owner could get his sewer permit tonight if he wanted.

Tim stated that 4 property owners have decided to forgo their exemptions and have decided to hookup and not have to tear up the road after the exemption expires.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, Trustee Dumford made the motion to adjourn. Trustee Mikolajczak seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

February 21, 2022

James Boone, President

Respectfully, submitted by:

Pam Johns, Office Manager