

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 18th of April 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.

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

PRESENT

Robert Dumford
Brad Fishburn
James Boone
James Young
Jeff Herdrich

ABSENT

Dan Mikolajczak
Donald Dewitt

Also present were Andy Boxberger of Carson LLP, John Magsam, Anthony Carrier and Jeff Hersha of Jones and Henry Engineering, Jane Bauer, Assistant Office Manager, Pam Johns-Office Manager, Timothy Woodward, District Superintendent, Deb Patterson of The Paper and Michael Williams of Microbyte Inc.

President Boone verified that each Board Member had a copy of the minutes from the March 21, 2022 regular meeting. A

motion was made by Trustee Dumford to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee Herdrich carried.

After reviewing the claims Trustee Young made the motion to pay claim # 3613 from the Water Fund, plus claim #'s 3584-3614 and 3689 from the Sewer O & M Fund. Also approved were check #'s 2359-63 from the Water Fund and check #'s 18934-19120, 3552EFT-3560EFT and 3562EFT from the O & M Fund. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dumford and carried.

President Boone made sure that all the Board members had a copy of the service agreement Sunset Harbor Condos have entered into to maintain their lift station. Tim asked that Attorney Boxberger review the contract to make sure it covers everything the District had requested.

Attorney Boxberger reviewed House Bill 1245 which could be a "game changer" for Regional Sewer Districts in Indiana. The bill addresses capacity fees which at this point do not affect the Districts current projects or exemptions. It could however affect the Districts future projects. Currently a property owner may qualify for an exemption if the septic system is less than 10 years old and passes inspection by the County Health Department and is approved by the Sewer District. It is in effect for a total of 10 years from installation at which time 2 five year exemptions can be requested for a total of 20 years after installation. Under the new law if the current system is inspected and deemed to be "not failing" (defined by the state) and if it was permitted and new when installed it will qualify for a full 10 year exemption regardless of the age of the system. After 10 year the owner can apply for two 5 year exemptions.

Attorney Boxberger had sent letters to the property owners in the Vawter Park area two days before he was notified of the changes. He has done a revised letter and suggested that it go out to explain the possible changes. After discussion it was decided to send an updated letter to the Vawter property owners in the proposed expansion area.

Anthony Carrier the onsite engineer for the Northshore/Eastshore project reported that the construction has been going well. Construction is just past manhole 21. Approximately 400-500' and 10 taps have been installed along with part of lift station #1. President Boone verified that both sides of the road are being done at the same time.

The dewatering should be done in approximately another 1000' at which time pipe installation will move along more kly.

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John Magsam presented pay request # 2 from Selge in the amount of \$406,000.00. The request includes work on pump station #1, the wet well, valve and some piping. After discussion the motion was made by Trustee Dumford to submit pay request # 2 to the SRF. The motion was seconded by Trustee Young and carried.

John reported on the CSX crossing work. It will be going out for quotes April 19, will be opened May 11 and presented to the Board at the May 16 meeting.

John responded to the IDEM questions that they requested for the Vawter Park extension plan and he should hear back within the next two weeks at which time he will send it out for quotes.

John stated he and Tim would like to get a list of contractors that have previously done work in the District sent out to the Northshore/Eastshore property owners so they can get them lined up if they want. There has been concern that with the material shortages and increased cost there could be delays when the line is ready for connections. After discussion the motion was made by Trustee Young to send out a letter to the property owners listing contractors and stating that the owners will have 180 days to connect once service is available. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dumford and carried.

Jeff stated that since the District is getting funding thru Indiana Finance Authority and SRF they have to comply with the American Iron and Steel Requirement which states that recipients use iron and steel products that are produced in the United States. The project contractor has indicated he is having trouble sourcing the mega lugs needed. The District will be filing for a waiver. It may qualify under de minimis which is a national waiver but requires EPA approval. Jeff will keep the Board updated as to what type of waiver will work best.

Tim reported he is still waiting for the valve and meter box for the water tank and will keep the Board updated.

Tim asked about House Bill 1245 and its affect on any future project since going into funding you would not be able to determine the divider. Attorney Boxberger stated that the Indiana Rural Alliance will be working with the lobbyist to review some of the issues that had not been anticipated, including higher rates for all customers.

Tim reported on the new check valves he had installed in the ras pit. It is the same valve that was installed in the surge tank. They seem to be working well and he will keep the Board updated.

Tim reported that he had a new weather reporting system installed at the plant. It includes a new rain gage and reporting system. All the information will be collected from outside the lab and will be able to be viewed on a lab monitor at all times. It can also be sent directly to IDEM.

As discussed at the last Board Meeting Tim is having a load of alum delivered to the plant and will be replacing the ferric chloride with it. He will keep the Board updated as to how it compares to ferric.

Tim reported on the cost of pumps and the difficulty of getting parts for repair. He has ordered a pump and repair parts from Flyte. The pump could fit into a number of lift stations and could be used while repairs are being made on the original.

Tim reported on alternative plans if rain keeps the fields too wet for sludge application. He explained he can bag (30,000-40,000 gal per bag) it and hauled to the landfill or the septic holding tank at the plant could be used. He will keep the Board updated as to which option is used.

The impellers at the Crowdale Lift Station are being replaced this week. All but two of the lift stations have been cleaned and the siphon lines will be cleaned before Memorial Day.

He reported that a company has been hired to do root removal and repairs on an Ogden Island customer's tank which was found to be plugged up.

Trustee Dumford asked about the questionnaire that was to be sent to customers being charged multiple edu's. Attorney Boxberger stated that he is working on the letter and should have it ready this week.

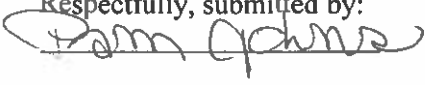
There being no further business to bring before the Board, Trustee Young made the motion to adjourn.

Trustee Herdrich seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

May 16, 2022


James Boone, President

Respectfully, submitted by:


Pam Johns, Office Manager