

**STEUBEN LAKES REGIONAL WASTE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2011
11-12R**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Coder
Bill Heckley
Jim Kidd
Harry Krebs
George Pifer
Lyndon Tucker
Jim Van Vlerah

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Also Present

--- Bruce Boxberger – District Attorney

Bill Heckley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 10, 2011 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES CHANGES OR ADDITIONS.

The Board presented minutes of the November 10, 2011 meeting for review and approval. Upon motion made by Jim Kidd and seconded by Bob Coder, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the November 10, 2011 meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The financial reports, check register, project check register, bank account report, and claims, were presented for review. Harry Krebs moved and George Pifer seconded the motion to accept the Financial Reports as presented, which motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Orland Project -

SCADA - Tim Frederick stated that SCADA is functioning but he is not receiving proper graphs for lift station 2.

Change Order CO-9 Balkema - Tim Frederick stated that Change Order 9 of Contract A-5 calls for an increase of \$2,473.75 for outstanding electrical issues requiring documentation. Jim Van Vlerah moved and Bob Coder seconded the motion to accept and approve Change Order CO-9 for Balkema, which motion was unanimously approved.

Finish Using Grant Funds From USDA-RD - Tim Frederick stated that pay request #12 is for Balkema in the amount of \$2,473.75. Jim Van Vlerah moved and Lyndon Tucker seconded the motion to pay Balkema the amount requested per pay request #12, which motion was unanimously approved.

Tim Frederick stated that approval is needed for bills that have been paid and some that have not been paid. He would like to use grant money for these items since that money is still available to the District.

Jim Van Vlerah moved and Jim Kidd seconded the motion that the project expenditure report be approved as stated, which motion was unanimously approved.

Lyndon Tucker moved and Harry Krebs seconded the motion to allow Tim Frederick and Jim Kidd to work together to disperse the balance of grant funds totaling approximately \$18,045.25 for capital equipment, (items such as dissolved oxygen meters and liberty pumps) which motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Morrison, 255 LN 290 W. Otter - Constructed Porch over Sewer Lateral Line - Mr. Morrison discussed the situation regarding construction on sewer lines. Mr. Morrison is willing to move the deck five feet to accommodate the District. Mr. Boxberger suggested a meeting take place between Tim and Mr. Morrison for resolution.

1140 LN 110 W. Otter - Steps in Easement - Tim stated that he needs to visit the property.

3570 Bay View Road - Request to Construct Block Wall over Easement - Tim stated that there are four properties involved and additional information is needed.

6260 W. Orland Road - Constructed Addition Too Close to Low Pressure Sewer Lateral Line - Tim Frederick has the information available to him to rectify the problem.

Construction in and Over the SLRWD Utility Easement - Tim Frederick stated that the discussion is ongoing regarding these issues.

DISRICT BUSINESS AND OTHER GENERAL MATTERS

Jim Salway to Address the Board Concerning:

- Article 1, Sections 9 and 25 of the Indiana Constitution - Mr. Salway explained the Constitution to the Board.
- Indiana Code 410-IAC-6-8.2, Section 31 as Used on the Steuben Lakes Regional Waste District Website - Mr. Salway would like the website to comply with Indiana Code.
- Water Quality in the Proposed Expansion and the Expansion as Shown on the Current Steuben Lakes Regional Waste District Pages and Related Questions - Mr. Salway made clear to the Board that no sewer is needed in his neighborhood.

Lift Station 26 Treat Hydrogen Sulfide and Mercaptans in Wet Well - Tim pointed out to the Board the project expenditures report.

Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report RFP's Update - Tim stated that he has reviewed the report and a meeting is scheduled with the executive committee for further review on January 5, 2012.

Bill Heckley re-iterated the fact that the sewers were formed for the purpose that the soil is unsuitable for dwelling sites and septic tank absorptions, with low strength in organic materials and ponding. Mr. Van Vlerah stated that pollution is put into the ground through a septic system and then leaching into the land, but

with the District sewer plant, the water is treated and properly dispersed. The Board agreed that everyone needs to be heard regarding their concerns.

Holiday and Meeting Schedules for 2012 - Tim Frederick stated that the two schedules need to be approved. Jim Van Vlerah moved and Jim Kidd seconded the motion to accept and approve the holiday schedule for 2012 as printed, and the meeting schedule for 2012 as printed, which motion was unanimously approved.

Lab Excellence Award and Plant Safety Award - The District was awarded the Lab Excellence Award and Plant Safety Award from the Indiana Water Environmental Association. A hearty applause was given to the District.

Tim affirmed to the District that he was been elected to the Board of Directors for the Alliance of Indiana Rural Water Association.

Election of Officers for Steuben Lakes Regional Waste District Board of Trustees - The Executive Committee will remain. Bob Coder moved and Jim Van Vlerah seconded the motion that Bill Heckley, Jim Kidd and Jim Van Vlerah be retained to serve on the Executive Committee, with 2 in opposition, and one abstention, the motion was approved. Mr. Pifer appraised the Board for their expertise in matters but would like new members to be involved in this committee.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mr. Heckley asked for a motion to adjourn. Such motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.