# MEETING MINUTES LAWRENCEBURG CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## HELD AT 6:30 P.M. ON MARCH 16, 2023 AT 225 EAST EADS PARKWAY, LAWRENCEBURG, INDIANA

## THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS WERE PRESENT:

Mike Noel, Chairman Randy Tyler, Vice-Chairman

Jim Kittle Dave Staab
Mike McCabe Greg McAdams

**Dennis Richter** 

#### THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ABSENT:

Jared Ewbank, Attorney

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT:

Paul Seymour, Superintendent

Chelsie Noel, Secretary

#### Administrative Issues

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Noel.

The Directors (and others) recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon the motion of Mike McCabe, seconded by Dennis Richter, the minutes of the February 16, 2023 regular meeting were approved.

Upon the motion of Jim Kittle, seconded by Greg McAdams, the claims and vouchers were approved.

#### **New Business**

Accounting overview from Reedy Financial Group was reviewed and discussed.

Paul Seymour shared that John Johnson from the City of Lawrenceburg, has requested use of the USGS Tanners Creek Gauge. Chairman Mike Noel requested that LCD has attorney Jared Ewbank draft an agreement that would cover liability if City uses the gauge and also wants to make sure LCD won't incur an additional cost. Paul will let John Johnson know this plan.

Matt O'Rourke with American Structurepoint was present to ask for permission to initiate USACE review of the Lawrenceburg Riverfront Development project. He confirmed he is not looking to submit a 408 just yet. Rather, after he spoke with Andrew Brooks at USACE, Brooks suggested sharing the preliminary plans so that USACE can provide an MOA estimate. After much conversation, Paul shared feedback on current design plan. O'Rourke said he will take the feedback to his team and they will update plans as necessary prior to sharing with USACE for a preliminary review.

Dustin Ketcham and Nick Tipple, from Lightstone Generation, were present to request permission to use the aquifer for the Lawrenceburg Power Plant's water supply. After much conversation, it was determined that they should speak with IDEM or IDNR, as this is outside of LCD's jurisdiction. John Mundell offered to plug data into his model to see if there would be any impact.

#### **Superintendent's Report – Lawrenceburg Levee**

Superintendent Paul Seymour reported on various matters.

John Mundell gave an update on his projects. The ponding area analysis is almost complete. Mundell would like to first review with LCD and then would like to schedule a meeting with the City of Lawrenceburg to walk them through it as well. Will schedule before next meeting. Mundell submitted a proposal for drafting a city ordinance in the amount of \$10,504. Upon the motion of Greg McAdams, seconded by Dave Staab, it was unanimously approved. Mundell is also working on a proposal for relief well inspection/rehabilitation.

Paul shared that Hrezo is still working on sluice gate replacement.

Paul shared that the John Deere tractor was re-listed on the auction site but did not end up meeting the reserve bid. Highest bid received was for \$37,108. Paul recommended the board accept the bid. Upon the motion of Mike McCabe, seconded by Randy Tyler, it was unanimously approved to attempt to close the sale with the highest bidder.

Paul shared quotes to have pump station #5 repaired and asked permission to move forward. Quotes were from Toric Engineering and he recommends the cheaper option, \$37,896. Mike Noel asked Paul to get an updated bid, in case this one is outdated, and check with Jared Ewbank to confirm if additional bids need secured. Paul will share his findings next month.

Paul shared two quotes on a security camera system for LCD building. He is awaiting a third quote.

Paul shared he is still working to find applicants for summer help positions.

#### Superintendent's Report – Greendale Levee

Superintendent Paul Seymour reported on various matters.

Andrew Birmingham from JMT shared an update on Greendale levee accreditation work. Work on the ordinance is ongoing. JMT is also continuing to look into funding opportunities and hope to provide a matrix next month.

Jim Kittle shared that he and Paul have been looking into other potential alternatives for paying for accreditation projects, such as taxing, bond issues, tif, etc. Will share a proposal from Reedy Financial Group when ready.

#### **Community Athletic Park (CAP) Report**

Secretary, Chelsie Noel, shared that field scheduling is going smoothly.

## **Secretary Report**

Secretary, Chelsie Noel, reported on various matters.

Directors' quarterly reports are due 3/31.

Asked directors to decide if LCD wants to participate in the 2024 community calendar project. Upon the motion of Jim Kittle, seconded by Dave Staab, it was unanimously approved to contribute up to \$2500 towards the calendar initiative.

#### **Finance Committee Report**

Jim Kittle shared his review of January and February reconciliation reports.

Kittle shared that he dropped off LCD financials to Mayor Mollaun.

Kittle shared that the finance committee recently re-invested \$3 million.

#### **Personnel Committee Report**

Jim Kittle shared that Leasure, the payroll firm, found that there was a small, very minor discrepancy in the calculations for the union supplemental agreement. That said, Scott Rich drafted a corrected agreement. Upon the motion of Greg McAdams, seconded by Dennis Richter, the corrected agreement was unanimously approved.

Kittle also shared that he is working on a company truck policy.
Randy Tyler shared that LCD's new HR partner, Janine Cummings, is compiling feedback and recommendations coming out of her meetings with all employees and directors and should be sending to Randy next week.

#### **Additional Items**

Paul Seymour handed out iPads to each director, loaded with everything that might be applicable or useful for reviewing LCD documents, maps, files, etc. Directors are asked to schedule time to come pick up iPads if they would like to take them home, so that an employee can help them set up their unique accounts.

Greg McAdams asked for an update on finding a new cleaning person for LCD building. Paul felt there was not any reason to hire it out. Mike Noel mentioned asking Jared Ewbank for his contact that cleans his office building. After much discussion, Paul will bring quotes to the next meeting.

Greg McAdams stated he heard that State Board of Accounts visited the LCD this week and asked for confirmation of that. Mike Noel confirmed they did visit and stated they just had a couple questions regarding some accounting line items and that was the extent of it. Much conversation was had.

Full audio recording of this meeting can be accessed at <u>LCD Regular Meeting - 3.16.23 - AUDIO.m4a</u>

There being no further business, Chairman Mike Noel adjourned the meeting.

Approved by:

LCD Chairman, Mike Noel

LCD Vice Chairman, Randy Tyler