

MEETING MINUTES

LAWRENCEBURG CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HELD AT 6:30 P.M. ON FEBRUARY 15, 2024

AT 225 EAST EADS PARKWAY, LAWRENCEBURG, INDIANA

THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS WERE PRESENT:

Jim Kittle, Chairman

Randy Tyler, Vice chairman

Dave Staab

Greg McAdams

Dennis Richter Absent

Tom Schneider

Andy Lyons

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

Paul Seymour, Superintendent

Jared Ewbank, Attorney

Steve Boone-online

Luke Johnstone-online

Present in the Audience were:

Chelsie Noel

Ryan Strickford

Administrative Issues

Kittle opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Kittle then asked for a motion to approve January's minutes

Staab motioned to approve the minutes and Schneider seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Tyler motioned to approve the agenda and Staab seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Kittle called for a motion to pay the monthly claims and vouchers.

Lyons motioned to pay the monthly claims and vouchers and Staab seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

New business

4h Rodeo

Ryan Strickford presented a proposal to allow the buckeye rodeo

Ewbank Presented a proposal that the riders would sign an indemnification agreement.

Staab made the motion to allow the 4H Rodeo subject to signing indemnification agreements and Lyons seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Reedy Report

Kittle-As we go through the year, the budget will be reviewed.

Superintendent's report Lawrenceburg levee

Mundell update

Luke Johnstone- Highlighted corps formal levee inspection will be in two weeks.

FEMA requirements:

Freeboard

Closures

Embankment protection

Embankment foundation stability

Settlement

Interior drainage

Other design criteria

Operation plans & criteria

Maintenance Plans & Criteria.

All of the real work is in the Embankment protection and the interior drainage.

Mundell Looking ahead 2024

March-Relief well rehabilitation report; emergency action plan update.

April-Interior ponding report; operation & maintenance Manual update.

May-June-Remaining FEMA Accreditation requirements; seepage and stability assessment.

3rd quarter- submit FEMA accreditation package; plan for improvements; grants.

ACE Formal Inspection

Mundell gave an update on the USACF Convention.

New fiber contract and various purchase and selling issues of equipment

Seymour stated that he signed a new internet contract.

Ewbank stated that bids were not required for this contract under the emergency situation exception and Data agreements exception in the special purchasing rules and that the agreement sounds more like a service contract than a purchase contract. However, to be safe Seymour needs to note these special purchasing exceptions in the purchasing file for internet.

Schneider motioned to ratify the agreement and Tyler seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

Sale of Items at Auction

Seymour asked to put some equipment up for auction.

Kittle stated that we did an audit on insurance and found items we are insuring, but not using.

Seymour stated there are no reserve if we use Lutz Auction.

Ewbank asked if the aggregate value of the auction lot is under \$5,000.00. Paul answered the items together may fetch a hundred or so dollars each, meaning the total value is believed to be under \$5,000.00.

Staab motioned to take everything to Lutz except for the turf tender and Lyons seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Seymour also stated that he is investigating a flail mower for the Aebi. Seymour stated that he talked to Zimmer and other companies locally, but only found the part in Iowa.

McAdams made the motion to purchase the Aebi flail mower from the company in Iowa and Schneider seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's report Greendale levee

JMT update:

Boone-thanks for signing the work agreement.

Conversations with FEMA for grants and FEMA said not through this cycle.

Boone-We have been working with Ashley Steve

Boone-Will check back in with FEMA about starting some early conversations.

Schneider-would you put in the table of contents your success rates in getting grants.

Boone- Stated he would have the packet by the next meeting

Boone- We expanded 811 footprint for the entire district.

Ewbank asked about how many plans have been supplied for the Greendale district.

CAP Report

Seymour-Update on scheduling

Seymour-Update on Lighting payment

Schneider-There was a meeting of Babe Ruth to have a meeting.

Finance Committee Report

-New Credit Card

Kittle-"We applied and received a new credit card. We have not activated the cards and will not until Ewbank, Seymour, and I have a chance to review the policy."

Kittle-I need to get with the Finance committee to bid out some CDs"

Personnel Committee Report

Update on interviews

Tyler-We have received 65 resumes and we have had 4 in-person interviews. "Before we could get them interviewed the person took another job."

Schneider-I am new I can't see the reason we have an HR professional. The people on this board all have experience with employee relations. I think there is enough experience that if there is a problem, we then could call a specialist.

Schneider-I can see a need [for an HR] but I can't see the need for whatever.

Attorney Report

-update on Lawrenceburg Ordinance

-update on interlocal agreement

Ewbank stated the contents of the interlocal and why the things are important and asked for permission from the board to talk to Mr. Weldon about the interlocal.

Seymour-"The check from Lawrenceburg was sent to ACE. Seymour stated that if they don't agree with it we won't sign the 408."

Schneider-They may have talked to Maxwell and have talked to a company about the river portion. I don't know how they intend to pay.

Seymour-The 408 permit has changed, we want plans before we approve. Now ACE has realized they can look at the plans.

McAdams-Have we seen everything ACE has seen

Seymour-Yes we have talked to O'Rourke. We need some comments to look at this.

Schneider made the motion for Ewbank to talk to Lawrenceburg and McAdams seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was then adjourned.