

MEETING MINUTES
LAWRENCEBURG CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD AT 6:30 P.M. ON June 20, 2024
AT 225 EAST EADS PARKWAY, LAWRENCEBURG, INDIANA

THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS WERE PRESENT:

Jim Kittle, Chairman	Dennis Richter - Absent
Randy Tyler, Vice chairman	Tom Schneider
Dave Staab	Andy Lyons
Greg McAdams	

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

Paul Seymour, Superintendent
Jared Ewbank, Attorney
Heather Shaut, Administrative Assistant

Administrative Issues

Kittle opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Ewbank called Roll.

Kittle then asked for a motion to approve the May 16, 2024 minutes. Staab motioned to approve the minutes and Tyler seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Kittle then asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of discussions of the wiring of the lights at Babe Ruth, Indiana Hoosier START Deferred Compensation Plan and Proximo. Staab motioned to approve the agenda with those changes and McAdams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Seymour explained the need and reviewed the bill for a second payment of \$343.66 to the credit card this month that didn't get onto the claims docket due to timing. After review and discussion, Kittle called for a motion to pay the monthly claims and vouchers, including the second credit card payment. Lyons motioned to pay the monthly claims and vouchers and Staab seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. McAdams requested a rolling balance on the Mundell Lawrenceburg Levee Seepage Evaluation. Shaut said she will provide it.

Superintendent's report Lawrenceburg levee

Hrezo gave an update on the Station #3 sluice gate replacement, stating the work is 100% complete. Remaining is to get the final documents to LCD, Mundell and USACE. Hrezo also spoke regarding the Hazard Mitigation Plan indicating he met with Jason Sullivan, County Emergency Management. Hrezo determined LCD should be able to adopt the County's Hazard Mitigation Plan with few changes. Hrezo will get the Emergency Action Plan for Lawrenceburg from Mundell and will then meet with JMT for Greendale. With respect to Proximo, Hrezo said the stream monitors need to be relocated for IDEM. The plan will be to add 2 meters in the vicinity of Pump 2A. The meters will need to be hung and power will need to be run to them. The conduit to them might require easements. He requested the Board to consider the ideas and a special meeting, if needed. The Board members agreed.

Seymour gave an update on the Riverfront wall repair, showing cost estimates for two different approaches to the repair. There was discussion of the cost of the options and the life of each. Staab proposed waiting to decide while other options could be considered, Tyler seconded. The motion was agreed to unanimously.

Seymour reported the removal of the trees on the school's property is completed, noting he asked the school to keep that area clear moving forward.

Seymour provided examples of Aebi tractors for sale to use as a basis for listing the LCD used tractor at auction. After discussion of the current Aebi LCD plans to sell vs those in the listing, Staab made a motion to set the reserve price on LCD's Aebi at \$12,000. Lyons seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Forrest Kunkel from Mundell spoke on the Riverfront Development Review, noting they have reviewed the Corps permit application prepared by Structurepoint from December 2023, which included 30% Construction Plans. Mundell has submitted comments to Structurepoint in May and the continued review is on hold for responses to those comments, as well as additional design documentation. Regarding the Interior Ponding Update, Kunkel noted they are reviewing calculations and finalizing the analysis in the next couple of weeks and the most recent work is focused on Pump Stations 2, 2A and 3 to demonstrate to FEMA adequate capacity. Mundell also presented a list of meetings and deliverables for the remainder of the calendar year, highlighting the Interior Ponding and Relief Well Rehabilitation reports, stating they should be available for the next Board meeting and Mundell recommends a special meeting for that due to the length of the reports. Mundell will meet with Seymour for continued work on the manual. Kunkel also mentioned the Seepage & Stability Assessment Report as the last item needed for FEMA Accreditation and should be complete in December. Mundell will be working with County Emergency Management on a Tabletop Exercise for the Emergency Action Plan. Ewbank commented regarding the Flood Control Ordinance, the cities have had time to review and comment on the work thus far, but their cooperation isn't required for LCD to adopt the ordinance.

Seymour spoke about the annual testing of the generators By Buckeye Power Sales, noting in the report BPS will send to USACE, they recommend replacing all batteries. Seymour said all the batteries are working, some having been replaced just a year and a half ago. Seymour recommends waiting until they are needed, explaining the LCD Crew bump the generators frequently enough that there won't be a

surprise issue and the generators are on tenders and aren't on everyday. Seymour said the total cost of replacing all the batteries is \$3,000-4,000, if the Crew does the work. There is still additional work to do on the generators. The Board members agreed waiting on the batteries is reasonable.

Lyons reported the Electrical Connection looked at the wiring for the Babe Ruth lights and said the proposed rewiring wouldn't be straightforward due to the currently unorthodox configuration. The cost would be \$18,000, but is contingent upon the utilities changing their rates, which they seem reluctant to do.

Superintendent's report Greendale levee

JMT spoke on the progress on Phase 1 of Grant funding, saying they're currently looking at who the stakeholders are and plan to visit the Lawrenceburg/Greendale area in a few weeks to gather information and to coordinate with local partners in the project. JMT presented a proposal on the Emergency Action Plan, noting they expect to follow Mundell's template and will be coordinating with them. They will also be reviewing the GIS to be sure the plan makes sense. Kittle recommended moving forward with the proposal. Staab made a motion to have JMT move forward with their Emergency Action Plan proposal, Schneider seconded and the motion passed unanimously. There was confirmation the project will be complete in 8 weeks and LCD will meet with JMT prior to meeting with Greendale.

Seymour spoke about his presentation at The Oxbow Reserve mentioning there were 24 people in attendance. The audience was engaged with good questions and participation. He appreciated the opportunity for continued community education.

Seymour discussed the GIS Award he accepted on behalf of the LCD Crew for their project with Banning Engineering and commended them on the project, noting the project is a living, breathing project to continue. Kittle commented it was a good article in the paper.

In discussion on the Grant Committee, Kittle expressed the importance and necessity of getting the support of the stakeholders. Ewbank is working on getting the county involved. There was discussion of getting on the agenda for a meeting of The City of Lawrenceburg Council and, if denied, going to make an appeal as part of the public time to request the City have a couple of people participate on an on-going basis in the pursuit of grants. Ewbank said depending on the number of the LCD Board attending, it could be considered a Special Meeting, requiring advertising.

Community Athletic Park

Ewbank discussed the dissolution of the Community Athletic Fields (CAP) organization and its gift of their remaining cash balance of approximately \$28 thousand to the LCD. Ewbank is wrapping up tax protections for the CAP Board.

Secretary Report

Shaut said she has provided the requested payroll information to the State Board of accounts representative and expects that to be the final information requested. She also expects the Board should get a report from the SBOA in approximately a month or two followed by meeting with them to go over their report. Reedy will be at that meeting, as well. Following that meeting, a new policies and procedures document will be created to incorporate any necessary changes based on the meeting with the SBoA.

Kittle noted the plan to have Shaut bonded.

Finance Committee Report

Kittle reviewed the monthly management report, noting the remaining budget is reasonable. He also stated he reviewed and approved the monthly bank reconciliations.

Attorney Report

Ewbank discussed a new purchasing policy, highlighting limits for purchasing by Seymour the purchasing agent of \$5,000 and by the crew. A change in the proposed policy was made from \$500 to \$1,000 for crew purchasing authority. McAdams made a motion to pass the ordinance with the change, Staab seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ewbank discussed the annual authorizing of Directors' salaries requirement for a resolution and a court order each year, noting they have all been done timely, with the exception of 2022. He was able to get that signed by the judge recently and it was provided to the SBoA.

Ewbank inquired whether there were any questions or comments related to the upcoming election, noting topics he's currently considering are the requirement to sign to vote and who can sign for whom, reissuing of returned ballots and being the catalyst to have proper addresses recorded. There was discussion of what a freeholder is with Ewbank stating his opinion is if a person or entity can be sued in its name, it is a separate entity/freeholder for voting purposes.

There being no more business, Kittle adjourned the meeting.

July 19, 2024

Jim Kittle, Chairman

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Kittle', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and somewhat abstract, with long, sweeping strokes.