

MEETING MINUTES
LAWRENCEBURG CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD AT 6:30 P.M. ON August 15, 2024
AT 225 EAST EADS PARKWAY, LAWRENCEBURG, INDIANA

THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS WERE PRESENT:

Jim Kittle, Chairman	Dennis Richter
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 asked for a motion to approve the July 18, 2024 minutes. Richter motioned to approve the minutes and Staab seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Kittle asked for a motion to approve the July 18, 2024 minutes. Lyons motioned to approve the minutes and Staab seconded the motion. The motion carried with McAdams abstaining.

Kittle asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of discussions on MPGI pest control, Riverfront Project Update and Soccer Goals. Staab motioned to approve the agenda with those changes and Richter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

New Business

There was a discussion on the 2025 budget timing and line items. It was determined the Water, Electric & Sewage line will be increased to \$280,000 to account for likely rate increases.

There was discussion on the presentation made to the Dearborn County Commissioners and a request for participants in the grant pursuit and upcoming projects. Kittle commented there was a good turnout and is hopeful the county councilmen will participate.

Unfinished Business

There was discussion on the restrictions included in the proposed Flood Control Ordinance. It was noted the City of Lawrenceburg has the document draft for review, Lyons and Ewbank are willing to meet with the City to go over the document and answer questions. McAdams made a motion to table the discussion and vote until after the City's review, Staab seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Superintendent's report Lawrenceburg levee

Hrezo gave an update that the billing for the sluice gate repair is complete. He has reached out to the Corps to request something in writing confirming the project is closed. For the Evacuation Plan, Hrezo and Seymour will begin to go over the maps and prepare for next steps. He noted for the seepage drains, a meeting will be set up with MPG, Seymour and Mundell. Rain is needed to determine if the seepage drain can be abandoned or needs repair based on seeing what other water inputs exist for the drain. Hrezo plans to present next month which option to go with.

Mundell didn't present as the special meeting covered through current events.

Seymour presented a bill for the Tanners Creek gauge, included on the claims docket, noting the gauge is very useful.

Seymour reminded the Board of the special meeting planned for them to present to the Dearborn County Council for representatives to participate in the grant pursuit and related projects.

Seymour presented a proposed agreement with Toric wherein the LCD can receive a discounted rate and priority response for agreeing to a certain number of hours. After discussion regarding carryover and Toric's ability as a going concern, Lyons made a motion to accept the agreement at 150 hours, pending confirmation the hours will carryover until used. Staab seconded the motion and it passed with McAdams opposing.

Seymour discussed a request by MPGI to use LCD equipment to combat groundhogs. After discussion of potential liabilities, it was determined the LCD will offer to show them the equipment used and how to use it.

Regarding the Riverfront Project, Seymour indicated he told Structurepoint they will need to provide plans and drawings that are complete before LCD and USACE can be confident of the project's impact on the levee system. It was discussed whether engineering oversight should be added to the maintenance agreement in process.

Superintendent's report Greendale levee

JMT reported on the progress of the Grant Funding Team, including receipt of a variety of information and areas of continuing progress. There will be a meeting August 20 between LCD, JMT and the Grand Support Team for planning the stakeholder kick-off meeting, which will be an approximately 4-hour workshop-style meeting on September 9 or 16 and include Mundell. The goals of that meeting will be determining action items and gaining more support

JMT is doing a final review of the Emergency Action Plan draft for Greendale and will provide it to LCD August 19, have a follow-up meeting with Seymour and have it completed by the end of August.

JMT reviewed plans for a development at U.S. 50 and Senitza Way for Hoosier Stash, a multi-phase project to include asphalt paving and storage buildings. JMT will review the plans to determine if they are in accordance with Ordinance 2023-1 and follow up with Seymour. When asked, JMT confirmed the plan will not work if the requirements of the ordinance are not met. There was also discussion regarding permit requirements, noting Greendale's standards don't meet the 100-year water event standards.

Seymour reported the repairs to Pump Station #5 are complete, noting a high river level event is needed for a final test of the system and the final \$2000 payment to Tech-Line.

Community Athletic Park

Seymour said the Summer help has been a great group, noting the last guy will be finished in a week. The supervisor will finish just as the employee on leave returns.

Seymour said the park fields have been scheduled and used more than in recent past, noting the soccer goals are in bad shape. He presented a price for 2 new medium grade goals. Schneider made a motion to purchase the goals, seconded by Staab. The motion carried unanimously.

Secretary Report

Shaut presented an Accounting Policies and Procedures for Internal Controls (Resolution 2024-9), noting it should be satisfactory to the SBoA. Schneider made a motion to pass the resolution, seconded by Tyler and passed unanimously. Shaut said should there be any questions on the SBoA engagement reports sent to the Board via email, to ask in a non-public setting until the Report is made public by the SBoA.

Shaut presented a proposal from Epop Studio to update the backend of the website to reestablish LCD ability to make changes and to update the design to encourage more community interaction.

Finance Committee Report

Kittle reviewed the monthly financial report, noting the remaining budget is reasonable and the review of the reconciliations was signed off. He presented and discussed Reedy's billable hours to date. A meeting of the Finance Committee was scheduled to take place the following week, following receipt of bid requests from banks.

Attorney Report

Ewbank discussed the voting rules, highlighting some sections regarding the Secretary and in-person voting, noting his plan to compile vital statistics for the election. He asked the Board to review the election rules and comments to date and to provide any additional comments or questions ahead so the new rules can be voted on at the next meeting.

Regarding the Maintenance Agreement, Ewbank and Seymour will meet to confirm it fully indemnifies the LCD and provides full access to inspect for LCD and USACE. Ewbank will send the Agreement to USACE for review once all other reviews are completed.

There being no more business, Kittle adjourned the meeting.

Sept 19, 2024

Jim Kittle, Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim Kittle", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.