

**Minutes of Blue Lake Conservancy District Sept 14, 2020**

**Meeting was held Sept 14 due to holiday falling on previous Monday**

**Meeting was called to order 7:04 pm by Darlene Ramus. In attendance were directors Vince Simmers, Counsel/Andrew Grossnickle and Finance Clerk (FC) Randy Grawcock CPA, Maintenance Supervisor/Rick Hamilton (MS). Steve Shrock (incoming director to be sworn in) and guest and freeholder, Cary Zeigler,**

**Steve Shrock Oath of office administered, signed and notarized by Kirsten Waterman ( notary)**

**The minutes of the August 3 meeting were presented and reviewed. Motion by Simmers, seconded by Steve to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed**

**The Treasurers Report was then presented by Treasurer Ramus. The Accounts Payable Voucher Register was presented for \$20298.45**

**Motion to approve the Accounts Payable Voucher Register by Simmers and seconded by Shrock. Motion Passed**

**Ramus then presented the Monthly Recap showing \$213,720.18 as the beginning balance in the BLCD checking account with \$25,544.18 and \$9.97 other incoming receipts. This was then offset by \$20,298.45 in disbursements leaving a bank balance of \$222,975.88. The CD at Farmers & Merchants Bank is at \$102,229.86 giving the BLCD current funds of \$ 325,205.74 The Bond Balance stands at \$769,987.11**

**The 2020 Disbursement Report was reviewed and shows YTD total disbursements at \$260873.40 to receipts of \$ 298,221.71 leaving an expense budget of \$123,801.60. Motion made by Simmers, seconded by Shrock to approve the Treasurers Reports including the Monthly Recap and the 2020 Disbursement Report. Motion Passed**

**FC Grawcock then presented the Wastewater Adjustment Report detailing penalty adjustments of \$1842.50. The various adjustments on this report represent administrative errors only and no true credit or debit to a Freeholder account. Instead, these adjustments are required to correct incorrect postings, particularly those dated to a report run in Sept 2017 when various accounts were assessed erroneous late fees. FC Grawcock is closing in on the final account adjustments and has reviewed each account in detail. Motion made by Simmers, seconded by Shrock to pass the Wastewater Adjustment Report for \$1842.50.**

**Motion passed.**

**MS Hamilton presented his monthly report of activity showing a few notable activities. The storm that came thru on August 10 wiped out power to city lift station. Stockert Septic pumped out 25,000 gallons – came out 3 times. Flow meter at Blue Lake campground was hit**

by a camper and knocked out of service. Talking to Campground – was decided to use the meter reading from July as the meter reading for August – this was agreed upon by Rick and Campground. Lost power to 22 locations by Harrold Rd. /Harrold Place – transformer blew – I & M had to repair a wire. Rick handed out information received regarding generators for city lift station for directors to look over.

Moved Cary Ziegler / CRZ properties to the top of the agenda as he was the only freeholder present. Mr Ziegler came to the meeting from concern he received a letter from BLCD charging him \$8030 plus some change for damaged pumps. Mr Ziegler stated previously in 2017 he brought his concerns to the BLCD asking questions he never got answered. Mr Ziegler provided copies of this letter to the directors stating he is looking for where does it lay out the responsibilities or distribution of monthly fees he pays to the BLCD. How does he know we put in brand new pumps and not refurbished pumps in his grinder as he previously asked for age/ service records/pictures of damaged pumps/serial numbers/ make/model of pumps. MS Hamilton stated to Mr. Ziegler that he has pictures of all the debris pulled up that damaged the pumps. Vince stated that the previous board may have made mistakes in what they did. Ramus stated that she was not on the board back in 2017 as she has only been on the board 1 year. She will never fault the old board for serving and doing the best with what they had for the time they served as others hadn't stepped up to do so. Ramus stated that the current board can look into his questions and as Legal Counsel was not present tonight – I do not know what legally we can give him but would find out and get him an answer to his questions. Thanked Mr. Ziegler for his time.

DISCONNECTION ORDINANCE-- Moving to unfinished business,

Disconnection Policy was presented as a finished Policy. Motion was made by Simmers to accept this policy as and second by Shrock. Motion Passed

I & I update – scoped 500 – 5 hours – report

Town of Churubusco Capacity / Development – put on hold as Lisa and Andrew not present

NEW BUSINESS

Campground Review – Davis Campground Refund Request – on hold as the directors present didn't have information enough to work on without legal counsel

Blue Lake Billing Review – Waterman/Ramus/Grawcock to get together to look over numbers

On hold

Simmers mentioned Elliots have two bills for house at the bottom and a house at the top of the hill – Vince said he thinks the top house never had service (connection) Ramus stated that we cannot just rule on he doesn't have to pay a second bill until they look into whether back when the system was put in – there was a line going to the pump – bc if there was – they have to pay debt service – cannot just be eliminated - Rick and Simmers said they would go look as the pump service in that area is different than others ( duplex station) not as big as campground stations but bigger than others – has 2 pumps same location.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Ramus, Treasurer

Approved this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020 by

Steve Shroer

ABSTENTION:

Ram. Waterman

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Darlene Ramus

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