

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
October 22, 2009

Call to Order:

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lorain County Rural Wastewater District was held at the LORCO offices, 22898 West Road, Wellington, Ohio. President McConnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

Trustees in Attendance:

Scott Grills	Jim Wright	Doug Edwards
Rick Hutman	Tom Seigerwald (A)	Howard Born
Ernest Hartman	Gerald Cowie	Louise Grose
Thomas Lahetta	Dorothy Collins	Cindy Kurpely
Neil Lynch	James McConnell	

Also in Attendance:

John Kniepper, Chief Utilities Executive, Avon Lake Municipal Utilities
Becky Haines, Special Projects Coordinator, Avon Lake Municipal Utilities
Dennis O'Toole, Legal Counsel
Helen Haddox, Office Manager
Fred Alspach, Executive Director

Old Business:

President McConnell presented to the board the Permit to Install (PTI) for both the LORCO collection system and the Avon Lake Municipal Utilities force main, which have been approved by the Ohio EPA and were received via certified mail this day. In addition the Section 401 Water Quality Certification was approved by the Ohio EPA and received via certified mail this day.

New Business:

President McConnell informed the board that LORCO, in conjunction with the efforts by the Avon Lake Municipal Utilities, is in discussion with the Ohio EPA-Department of Environmental Financing Assistance regarding the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act forgivable principal loan. This loan is imperative to minimizing the cost of the wastewater project to the benefited users.

President McConnell in consideration of an administrative contract called for an executive session at the end of this meeting to discuss personnel.

Other Business:

The floor was opened to public comment. Carlisle Township resident, Carl Denk, commented on the project.

Becky Haines, Special Projects Coordinator ALMU, announced that a pre-construction meeting will be held November 4, 2009. All of the bidders/contractors, funding agencies and regulatory agencies will be notified.

Executive Session

It was moved by Doug Edwards, with a second by Jim Wright to go into executive session at 7:15 p.m. to discuss personnel. A roll call vote was taken showing all fourteen board members present voting yea. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jim Wright, with a second by Ernest Hartman to return to regular session of the special meeting at 7:58 p.m. All board members were present voting yea. Motion carried

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-82 It was moved by Jim Wright, with a second by Ernest Hartman to authorize and approve the hiring of Rob Berner, as Executive Director, for a two-year period subject to contract approval of the full board. The vote resulted as follows: 14 Yea 0 Nay Motion carried.

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Tom Steigerwald, with a second by Ernest Hartman to adjourn at this time 8:05 p.m. The board will meet again in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2009 at the LORCO offices located at 22898 West Road, Wellington, Ohio 44090.

President

Secretary-Treasurer