

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
May 10, 2018**

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lorain County Rural Wastewater District was held at the LORCO offices, 22898 West Road, Wellington, Ohio. Board president Korpely called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Roll Call (by Secretary-Treasurer Brubaker):

Will Schlechter (arr @ 7:04)	√	Michael Koch	√	Neil Lynch	√
Doug Gardner		Karol Cornelius	√	Jim McConnell	
Jerry Cowie	√	Rick Hutman	√	Patti Brubaker	√
Jed Lamb	√	Cindy Korpely	√	Del Roig	√
Tom Steigerwald	√	Tom Lahetta (arr @ 7:10)	√	Jim Wright	√
		Tom Berry	√	Jim Woodrum	

Also in Attendance:

Eugene M. Toy, Executive Director; Jon Ciarrone, candidate for Lorain County Commissioner

Changes or Additions to the Agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Cowie, with a second by Lamb to approve April 12, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

President's Report:

Informed board members of positive feedback received from Ryan Homes representative regarding LORCO Executive Director and LORCO organization.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-14 Approval of non-LMRE & RLCWA-related April deposits and payments. It was moved by Lamb, with a second by Brubaker to approve the resolution. Lynch asked question about Clemans-Nelson invoice. Toy responded. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-15 Approval of RLCWA-related April payments. It was moved by Steigerwald, with a second by Schlechter to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 11 Yeas. 0 Nays. Brubaker, Korpely and Lamb abstained. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-16 Approval of LMRE-related April payments. It was moved by Lamb, with a second by Lahetta to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-17 Approval of 2018 rates. It was moved by Steigerwald, with a second by Brubaker to approve the resolution per the finance committee report and recommendation at the April LORCO board meeting. Lynch asked if a notice of the rate increase would be sent to customers. Toy confirmed that a draft notice had been prepared pending official board action and that a notice would be included with bills mailed at the end of this month. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

1. Attended 208 Plan Chapter 4 Update Focus Group meeting at NOACA in Cleveland 4/30/18 from 1:30 pm until 3:30 pm. Should maybe have 1 or 2 more meetings before our work wraps up.
2. Filed FPA change with NOACA on April 17th. Notified county, Columbia Township and Avon Lake Regional Water on that same date. Have heard back from everyone except Lorain County and letters of support either have been received or are in the works. Have not heard back from Lorain County, or received an acknowledgment of receipt. Re-sent 4/17 email on 5/7.
3. Received draft PPM revisions and position descriptions this week from consultant.
4. Deferred debt – will monitor revenues and expenses over the next month or two and schedule a deferred debt payment in accordance with the adopted budget.
5. Cinnamon Lake – experienced several pump failures at Lift Station 4 over the last month, primarily during significant storm events. Had to call in an outside firm to bypass the lift station when both pumps failed at once. Believe foreign objects are getting into the system. Sent out “notice” letters to all homes served by gravity by LS-4. Going to have system TV’d. Purchased a backup pump. Working with engineer to possibly go with an alternative pump design.
6. Palmer Development/Mallards Edge currently in Phase 4 (final phase for Royalton Road portion of development). Starting to look at possible development north of the golf course with access from Cooley Road.
7. Springvale Development/O’Donnell Farm. Attended county planning commission meeting on 4/26. Developer seeking zoning change from R-1 to R-3 with cluster overlay. County planning commission recommendation was to deny the change. They are a recommending body to the township who has the final say. The change in zoning would allow approximately an additional 100 homes.
8. Customer on Avon-Belden Road owes almost \$200 in past due amounts and late fees for two underpayments and associated penalties dating to mid-2016. Customer paid what he felt he owed versus what he was billed. The disputed amounts were approximately \$10 each time. The customer has called the LORCO - Avon Lake billing office numerous times and called the Wellington office today. He was told that board policy did not allow for an adjustment. Customer was informed of LORCO’s meeting location, dates and times. Customer asked LORCO Executive Director to discuss his situation with the board. Board confirmed that policy should be followed and that no adjustment was warranted.

Other Business:

Jon Ciarrone, candidate for Lorain County Commissioner addressed the board and stated that he was attending meetings throughout the county to introduce himself.

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Lamb and seconded by Koch to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm and meet again on Thursday, June 14, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Voice vote to approve was unanimous.

President

Secretary-Treasurer