

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
February 11, 2021**

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 Kurpely called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Roll Call (Board secretary-treasurer Wesemeyer):

Will Schlechter	√	Michael Koch	√	Neil Lynch	√
Doug Gardner		Karol Cornelius	√	Jim McConnell (Zoom)	√
Adam Mourton	√	Rick Hutman	√	Andy Gulish (Zoom)	√
Jed Lamb (Zoom)	√	Cindy Kurpely	√	Del Roig	√
Carl Wesemeyer	√	Tom Lahetta	√	Jim Wright	
		Tom Berry	√	Jim Woodrum	√

Also in Attendance:

Eugene M. Toy, Executive Director

Changes to agenda:

None

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Koch, with a second by Roig to approve January 14, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

President's Report:

Kurpely reported that the Executive Director had recently received a copy from the Lorain County administrator's office of a 2018 study completed by the firm KE McCartney for providing sanitary sewers to Columbia Township. LORCO was not contacted about the study and LORCO's collection system was not mentioned in the study as a possibility of receiving any flow from sewers proposed by KE McCartney for Columbia Township. The study proposed that all flow from Columbia Township be directed to the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) collection system in northern Columbia Township. The study proposed to construct sewers that are in proximity to and, in some cases, redundant to LORCO's system. As LORCO was never contacted to provide data for the study and the

study was apparently being completed by KE McCartney while negotiations were going on between LORCO, Avon Lake Regional Water, and Lorain County beginning in 2018 on a proposed sanitary sewer service agreement for a portion of Columbia Township, Kurpely recommends that a resolution be prepared for the March LORCO board meeting to rescind LORCO's previous approval of the proposed sanitary sewer service agreement. This agreement was never approved by Avon Lake Regional Water so it has never gone into effect. The board agreed with Kurpely that a resolution should be prepared and discussed at the March 2021 meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-6 Approval of non-LMRE & RLCWA-related January deposits and payments. It was moved by Berry, with a second by Roig to approve the resolution. Lynch asked a question about whether any cash payments are ever received from Phase 1 or Barrington customers. Toy answered. The vote was as follows: 15 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-7 Approval of RLCWA-related January payments. It was moved by Koch with a second by Lahetta to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 12 Yeas. 0 Nays. Kurpely, Lamb, and Wesemeyer abstained. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-8 Approval of LMRE-related January payments. It was moved by Koch, with a second by Berry to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. McConnell abstained. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-9 Reauthorization of Funds. It was moved by Berry, with a second by Cornelius to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 15 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-10 Approve Then & Now Purchase Order. It was moved by Berry, with a second by Lahetta to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 15 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

- 1) Distributed hard copy status report for the following projects:
 - a. Eaton Crossings
 - b. Woods at Eaton – Phase 1
 - c. Timber Creek
 - d. Pine Brook Golf Course
 - e. Still Meadows
 - f. Barrington -Phase 10
- 2) Met 1/26/21 with county administrator Tom Williams. Discussed:
 - a. Pine Brook golf course
 - b. Hawke Road – undo flow agreement & replace with FPA change
 - c. SR 57 FPA change
 - d. Columbia Township flow agreement/Fetchet parcels

- 3) OMDP Law – researching tap fee owed to ALRW issue
- 4) Phase 1 – new customers: 2019 = 19; 2020 = 31
- 5) Cinnamon Lake – West Salem force main
 - a. CDBG funds released 2/1/21 by Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Community Development.
 - b. WPCLF application was submitted to EPA-DEFA a couple of weeks ago.
 - c. Have shared CDBG environmental documents with the EPA Planner for their environmental process.
 - d. Working with the Planner and Project Coordinator to move their process along so the project can be advertised for bid as soon as possible.
- 6) Have received notice from Cinnamon Lake Utilities Association that Tom Berry will be replaced as the CLUA representative on the LORCO board when his current term expires 3/27/21.

Other Business:

None.

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Schlechter and seconded by Koch to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm and meet again on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Voice vote to approve was unanimous.

President

Secretary-Treasurer