MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
APRIL 14, 2016

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 (by Secretary-Treasurer Lahetta):

Howard Born		Bill Donges	√	Neil Lynch	√
Doug Gardner	√	Karol Cornelius		James McConnell	√
Gerald Cowie	√	Rick Hutman	√	Patti Brubaker	√
Jed Lamb	√	Cindy Kurpely	√	Del Roig	√
Tom Steigerwald	√	Tom Lahetta	√	Jim Wright	
				James Woodrum	√

Also in Attendance:
Eugene M. Toy, Executive Director; Dave Rickey, Avon Lake Regional Water

Changes or Additions to the Agenda:
Roig requested that there be discussion regarding future relations with the county under "Old Business".

Approval of Minutes:
It was moved by Steigerwald, with a second by Brubaker to approve March 10, 2016 regular meeting minutes. Voice vote for approval as amended was unanimous with Gardner and Lamb abstaining.

Old Business:
Roig read a prepared statement titled "April 16, 2016 – Partnering with the County." The statement dealt with the LORCO/Avon Lake Regional Water cooperative agreement; custodial fund; tap fee; Section 8 of the agreement; viability; and number of current Phase 1 customers. Mr. Rickey agreed with the numbers presented by Roig and stated that Avon Lake Regional Water was behind LORCO for the long term but wanted to make sure progress was being made towards viability. McConnell stated that he believed Roig had overstated the amount of opposition to the Phase 1 project and that LORCO did not have much choice other than to accept the language in the cooperative agreement.

New Business:

President's Report:
Announced that Dorothy Collins (former Kipton board member) had been in the hospital but returned home yesterday.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-13 Approval of non-LMRE-related March deposits and payments. It was moved by Roig, with a second by Brubaker to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 12 Yeas. 0 Nays. Lamb abstained. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-14 Approval of LMRE-related March deposits and payments. It was moved by Cowie, with a second by Steigerwald to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 11 Yeas. 0 Nays. McConnell and Lamb abstained. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

- Reported on letter received from Terrence Tessaro, East Royalton Road. Homeowner had paid $1,000 application fee in 2005 to participate in LORCO's Voluntary Participation Program (VPP). According to a recent letter, Tessaro was selling his property and wanted a refund of his $1,000 VPP application fee. The board concurred that the $1,000 was not a deposit as termed by the property owner but rather an application fee and that requirements of the VPP had not been adhered to by the property owner. In addition, others in similar situations had forfeited their application fees when projects fell through or required timelines were not met.

- Reported on letter received from Island Road resident. Resident had a water leak in his house that eventually got into the sanitary sewer. LORCO has a leak adjustment policy for high water usage but only when it can be demonstrated that the leaked water does not enter the LORCO sanitary sewer. Once it enters the sewer, it eventually ends up at a treatment plant and we pay for having it treated.

- County commissioners passed Resolution 16-219 on April 13, 2016. This resolution authorizes execution of the Hawke Road flow agreement.

- Along with Board President Kurpely, will be attending on Sunday afternoon an informational meeting being hosted by the Cinnamon Lake Utilities Association board.

Other Business:
None.

Adjourn:
With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Steigerwald and seconded by Brubaker to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm and meet again on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm. Voice vote to approve was unanimous.

President   Secretary-Treasurer