

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT**  
**June 10, 2010**

**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. President McConnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

**Trustees in Attendance:**

Secretary-Treasurer Lahetta called the roll with the following trustees shown in attendance:

<b>James McConnell</b>	<b>Neil Lynch</b>	<b>Thomas Lahetta</b>
<b>Gerald Cowie</b>	<b>Cindy Kurpely</b>	<b>James</b>
<b>Woodrum</b>		
<b>James Wright</b>	<b>Dominic Ferritto</b>	<b>John Piwinski</b>
<b>Dorothy Collins</b>	<b>Louise Grose</b>	<b>Rita Canfield</b>
<b>Don Damyanic (Arrived at 7;27 pm)</b>		
<b>Absent:</b>		
<b>Ernest Hartman</b>	<b>Howard Born</b>	<b>Rick Hutman</b>

**Also in Attendance:**

**Dennis O'Toole, Attorney**  
**John Kniepper, ALMU-Chief Utilities Executive**  
**Becky Haines, ALMU-Special Projects Administrator**  
**Robert Berner, Executive Director**

**Approval of Minutes:**

President McConnell stated that the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 11, 2010 had been mailed to all the trustees and called for any additions or corrections. Motion was made by James Wright with a second by John Piwinski to approve the minutes as written. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Old Business:**

**There was no old business to come before the board.**

**New Business:**

President McConnell thanked Helen Haddox for her years of service to LORCO and introduced and read a Resolution of Appreciation which was moved by Cindy Kurpely and seconded by Tom Lahetta. The motion was unanimously approved. The board applauded Helen Haddox's efforts to the board.

**President McConnell discussed the system tour and postponement until August or September. A suggestion was made to hold the August Meeting early and hold the system tour following the August Meeting. Executive Director Berner will be contacting the Lorain County Metro Parks to see if the regular meeting for August 12<sup>th</sup> can be held at the Metro Parks beginning at 6:00 pm followed by the system tour. Final decision to be discussed at the regular July board meeting.**

**President McConnell scheduled an Executive Committee Meeting for the fourth Thursday of June (June 24, 2010) at 7:00 pm at the LORCO offices.**

**Attorney O'Toole updated the board on the current easement takings. Trial date for any easements not received through negotiation is set for August 3, 2010.**

Attorney O'Toole discussed the settlement agreement with the law suite between LORCO and the City of Elyria. The board agreed the settlement was acceptable. Motion was made by Cindy Kurpley and Seconded by James Wright to approve Resolution 2010-11 agreeing to the settlement. The motion was unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-10 for payment of payroll and bills was moved by Dominic Ferritto a second by Tom Lahetta. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Policy Committee Chairman Lynch reported on the amendment of the LORCO Bylaws, Article III Section 7 "Meetings of Board Members" the committee is recommending a language change which will be presented to the entire board for consideration at the July regular meeting.**

**Finance Committee Chairman Piwinski reported the Finance Committee met prior to the regular board meeting to review the rate plan presented to the Policy Committee. The Finance Committee voted to recommend to the board a single rate plan which will be presented to the entire board for consideration at a future meeting.**

**Executive Director Berner brought before the board information concerning a Douglas Linn and his request for consideration of a grinder pump in lieu of a gravity connection. After considerable conversation from the board it was decided this is an administrative decision to be made by the executive director. For this decision and future decisions the executive director will report to the board concerning decisions and rational for such decisions.**

**Executive Director Berner updated the members on current efforts.**

Executive Director Berner stated that he and President McConnell have completed their visits to the member communities.

Executive Director Berner discussed the financial report, news articles and public information included in the board packets.

**Executive Director Berner reported that LORCO has been invited to the annual meeting of LMRE on Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm at the Lorain County Fairgrounds. He extended an invitation to all board members who would like to also hand out information at the meeting.**

**Executive Director Berner updated the board on the status of Senate Bill 110 which has been passed by both houses and is awaiting the governor's signature.**

**Executive Director Berner informed the board of the designation of Jack Gaydar of ALMU as the designated engineer of record for the LORCO system.**

**Executive Director Berner informed the board of the latest efforts with First Merit Bank and the extension of the letter of credit concerning the note due.**

**Special Projects Administrator for Avon Lake Municipal Utilities, Becky Haines, gave an update on the Phase-I construction. Over 30 miles of pipe line is in the ground.**

**Ms. Haines stated contractors are focusing on storm water stabilization and also updated the board on the status of pump station installation. She also mentioned that contract 5A has started construction.**

**John Kniepper updated the board on the latest efforts with URS concerning the wetland permit.**

**Other Business:**

**Member Damyanic questioned the Geo testing at Chestnut commons.**

**Audience member Carl Denk commented on E-One pumps concerning the voltage requirements.**

**Adjourn:**

**With no further business to come before the board, motion was made by Dominic Ferritto with a second by Cindy Kurpley to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**The board will meet again in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 8, 2010 at the LORCO offices located at 22898 West Road, Wellington, Ohio 44090.**

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**President**

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**Secretary-Treasurer**