

Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District

Minutes of Meeting March 17, 2021

Board Members Present: Mickey Koehler, Rolando Chilian, Tom Kruse (zoom), Connie Hughes
Nancy Satterlee, Walt Breitinger, Christian Anderson
Board Members Absent: None

Consultants Present: Dale Brewer, Robert Minarich, Dave Hollenbeck

Audience: Tom Banaszak

Mickey called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

Nancy moved to accept the minutes. Rolando seconded it. Motion carried 7-0.

Christian moved to accept the annual meeting minutes. Nancy seconded it. Motion carried 7-0.

Mickey then moved to approve the claims and accept the financial reports. Connie seconded it. Motion carried 7-0.

Personnel committee – Rolando presented a hiring policy.

Insurance committee – Connie nothing

Stormwater Management – Walt – Discussed the 8 lots south of Kettle Lake.

The McAlpine conflict has been resolved with a letter from the County. Dave talked a bit about it.

Walt has set up a meeting with Reggie at 8 am on the 20th.

Public Liaison committee – Nancy – concerning OCRA Tina Mendelson will get hard copies from Mary Jane Thomas. Moving forward we are dinged 45 points for high income county. A 40 % match is expected. Could put a rate on the tax bills. Maybe downsize project.

Strategic Planning – Christian - Talked about the MOU. The updated Plan Rolando moved to accept it, seconded by Christian. Motion carried 7-0.

Engineering – Tom Brett reported that he, Dave and Bob M. walked Cardinal Lane from Whippoorwill Rd. to Burlington Beach Rd. Discussed how narrow the road is and hard to comply with 10 State Standards and the need for easements.

Attorney's report – Dave – Resolution 21-2 establishing time limits and pay back s for unbilled accounts. Walt moved to accept it. Rolando seconded it. Motion carried 7-0.

Stimulus money's regulations coming out Friday.

Resolution 21-1. Bad debt wrote off Policy explained. Recommendations for write offs sheet handed out. 59 on sheet. The easiest to write off - bankruptcy or died. Boils down to 8 accounts. Exhibit A. Walt moved to accept Exhibit A, rolando seconded it. Motion carried 7-0.

Covid Policy ready, however, The State/County keeps changing the plans. Will wait until the dust settles.

Hiring Policy – rolando is planning a meeting so as to move forward.

General Manager's report

Manholes good.

Cardinal lift and Ridgewood Creek lift station are still plagued by chlorine bleach wipes.

Pumps had to be pulled and cleared several times.

Nothing yet on Hillcrest storm sewer or two back yard drains in Ridgewood Creek.

Working on MS4 annual report.

Meet with most of the Board on MS4 requirements.

Matt is off work until 4/2/2021 stomach problems.

Kanoa passed written driver's test.

Updated Board on Medicare costs.

Committees

Strategic

Engineering and Stormwater

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Mickey adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.

Attest: Bob Minarich