

# Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District

## Minutes of Meeting May 16, 2018

Board Members Present: Mickey Koehler, Nancy Satterlee,  
Walt Breitinger Connie Hughes,  
Christian Anderson

Board Members Absent: Thomas Kruse, Rolando Chilian

Consultants Present: Dale Brewer, David Hollenbeck, Robert Minarich,

Audience: Tom Banaszak, Dennis Harrington

Mickey called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm

Walt asked that the minutes reflect that he did not refuse to chair the engineering committee, only that he was uncomfortable with it. Christian moved to accept the minutes with that request. Nancy seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

Mickey then moved to approve the claims and accept the financial reports. Nancy seconded it. Motion carried 5-0

### General Manager's Report

Manholes are good.

Sapphire drain is about 60% down.

Hillcrest pump in the other pump is down. Hillcrest quotes are coming in.

Customer Appreciation Day June 9<sup>th</sup>.

NISWAG in LaPorte. June 21<sup>st</sup>.

Brett and I met with city officials about the Burlington Beach road storm water project and expressed our concern. We have not heard back on this yet.

The sediment pond has finally got some sediment in it. I will meet with Brett and get a plan of action to bring back to the Board.

Attempt at beaver deceiver in Flint was too small. Matt prefers the small screens as they are easier to clean. Dennis Harrington asked to be recognized. Mickey agreed.

Dennis kayaks back there. The tight screens clog up too easily. There was discussion on the effectiveness of what we are doing. Mickey sent this to Connie's committee.

MS4 annual meeting was fine. Will get a certificate about us participating with the NISWAG poster.

Website is up and running. Wrong address was used.

Public Liaison met.

### Strategic Plans Items

Test bench outrageous. Bob M. will continue to look.

Walden Loop Dave's report

Boat and trailer still looking.

Lake test – 1<sup>st</sup> round completed for Volunteer monitoring with the State.

Storm mapping –

Hillcrest upgrade.

Hollenbeck Nature Greenway – no report yet.

#### Maintenance Report

Capacitors replaced at Cardinal lift. Pump 2 volute was installed.

At Island Road, rags and baby clothing wrapped up in impellers.

2 water samples taken and passed.

3 sprinkler meters added

0 meter change outs

14 Delinquents

35 locates

4 Seasonal turn ons.

Rolando asked me to dig out of our history files a Court Order listing our purposes.

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#### Committee Reports

Personnel

Tom - absent

#### Insurance Report

Rolando – absent

#### Environmental Committee

Christian – notice to everybody about Environment Conference June 8<sup>th</sup> at Blue Chip.

#### Liaison Committee

Connie – May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting with Colomb. Dave spoke on the outcome of the meeting. Colomb offered to pay \$1557.57 or 50-50 of \$3115.14. Sold 3 properties and asked that these be written off with one current tenant living elsewhere in the District owning \$2007. Christian moved to write off the balance and accept the 50/50 payment of \$1557.14 Connie seconded it. Motion carried 5-0. Walt asked that a statement should be available for the Board to review.

Bob will provide a monthly report for the Board.

#### Strategic Planning Committee

Nancy - Nothing

#### Engineering Committee

Walt- no report

No accounts receivable report

Attorney's report

Walden Loop – plans and specs should be out next month. Need to get our engineers to survey the roadway and has a call into Brett to do so,

Kilmer – Frazier properties Plan B. Allow properties go to tax sale. Hopefully the Commissioners will deed them to us.

The employee handbook process is ongoing. No news.

Fence in back yard had been shot by air rifle or BB's. Getting quotes.

Bicentennial Nature Trust also awaiting survey work.

Dennis Harrington from 1413 Island Road was given the floor. He spoke of the problems he had with the last flooding of Flint lake during the rain fall, snow melt and frozen ground. Has questions for Board. Who controls lake level? Is level recorded? Drain tubes checked daily? Money for beaver control? So, if I get flooded I can sue VLACD.

Floor to Tom.

County and State not responding to inquiries. Mentioned Adam asking us to sign off of Burlington Beach Road project.

Mickey closed the meeting at 6:20 pm.