



**VALPARAISO LAKES AREA CONSERVANCY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES**

**November 20, 2024**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Chairman**  
Christian Anderson

**Vice-Chairman**  
Kyle Hauber

**Members**  
  
Connie Hughes  
  
Walt Breitingger  
  
Michael Cantieri  
  
Richard Tegt  
  
Chad Kuehl

**CONSULTANTS**

**General Manager**  
Alicia Barber

**Financial Secretary**  
Dale Brewer

**Attorney**  
David Hollenbeck

The Board of Directors of the Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District met in the Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District Board Room at 1805 Burlington Beach Road, Valparaiso, Indiana on November 20, 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Board members present included Kyle Hauber, Connie Hughes, Walt Breitingger, Michael Cantieri, Richard Tegt and Chad Kuehl. Board members not present were Christian Anderson. Consultants present included Alicia Barber, Dale Brewer, David Hollenbeck, and Jacob Ballah of BF&S.

Vice-Chairman Kyle Hauber called the board meeting to order.

**Approval of Minutes**

- Connie made a motion to approve minutes from October 16, 2024. Mike seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote.

**Approval of Claims**

- Richard made a motion to approve claims. Chad seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote.

Kyle requested a short term ethics committee be formed and appointed Chad, Mike, and Connie with assistance from David.

Kyle asked the board to state why they sit on the board. Mike said for the conservation of natural habitats, Connie is happy to see kettle lake project underway, Chad cares about VLACD and the health of the lakes for his family, Richard said stormwater management and Kettle Lake project were important to him, and Kyle also said Kettle Lake project and the impact it is making.

**Reports from Standing Committees**

- Personnel-Kyle Hauber – Nothing to report
- Insurance- Michael Cantieri - Nothing to report
- Stormwater-Walt Breitingger – Nothing to report
- Public Liaison- Connie Hughes – Nothing to report
- Strategic Planning- Connie Hughes – Nothing to report
- Engineering- Richard Tegt – Nothing to report

**Engineers Report-**

- Contracts are signed for Kettle Lake and project will begin soon.

**General Managers Report**

- Letters to Santa will be accepted until December 16<sup>th</sup>
- The office will be closed from 11AM-12PM for lunch

- Decision on the LARE grant. Richard motioned that VLACD sponsor the LARE grant with the understanding there is no financial obligation on VLACD's part and Friends of Lake (representative Richard Tegt) as the applicant. Some discussion followed. No second. Motion died for lack of second.
- Alicia asked that any committee meetings be scheduled soon so it can be advertised.

#### Attorneys Report

- Dave has been working with the property owners of the area around Kingsridge North Pond. One solution was to form a POA and convey the pond to that organization. Another solution was to convey the pond (undivided) to the property owners surrounding the lake.
- Dave spoke about Directorship Area 4 having a contested election and possibility of a contested election in Directorship Area 1.

#### Public Participation

- Stu Summers asked if Christian has filed for reelection. Alicia responded yes. He asked if the board would adopt rules for the election by the December meeting. Alicia explained the process of absentee ballots. Stu asked about return postage and the board explained VLACD has never paid for return postage.

Next Meeting: December 18, 2024

Attested by Alicia Barber, General Manager

