# LIBERTY REGIONAL WASTE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**JULY 18, 2019**

The LRWD board meeting was called to order by President Steve Knote @ 7:00 p.m. Members in attendance were: Brent Devine, Steve Graves, Steve Knote, Bruce Reinke and Adam Sewell.

Others in attendance were: Office Manager Kathy May, Superintendent Jen-y Zearbaugh Bookkeeper Peg Selvey, Attorney Mark Abrell, Engineer Rick Miller, Joe Alberson, Garrett Moore, Lola Hall, Wanda Ray and Macon Shroyer.

Mr. Knote opened the floor for new business. New Business:

Mr. Knote recognized Wanda Hall. Wanda was concerned about water backing up in sink

& toilet. As it tumed out her sump pump was connected to our system, so she will get a plumber to fix that problem. She had no idea when she bought the property that it was hooked up illegally.

Mr. Knote recognized Lola Hall. Lola wanted to kriow if we had a discount for single elderly customers that are on wells. The Board told her that the only option we have is if she wanted to install a meter and measure her water and provide us with a reading each month.

Old Business:

Mr. Knote recognized Joe Alberson, representing the Selma Little League ball diamond. Mr. Alberson said they had a plumber come out and there were several issues with the restrooms and floor drains. The Board agreed to charge the League the rate that we pay MSD plus their regular average usage.

Mr. Devine made a motion to accept the minutes as written from last month's meeting. Mr. Sewell seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Claims totaling $189,718.50 were viewed and signed.

Mr. Devine made a motion to accept the claims as written. Mr. Sewell seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Knote recognized Peg Selvey, Bookkeeper, for the financial report. Peg repo1ied receipts for June 2019 were $137,852.96 with disbursements of$175,866.I 1 leaving

$38,013.15 in the red.

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As of today, 7-18-19 the billing office has collected $113,499.69 with disbursements of

$118,061.58 leaving $4,561.89 in the red. The Muncie Sanitary bill is included in this in the amount of$71,266.91 for June 2019. The next bill will be $66,789.32 for July.

The year to date is $908,025.72 with disbursements of $1,006,415.34, leaving $98,389.62 in the red.

Mr. Sewell made a motion to approve the financial report. Mr. Reinke seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Knote recognized Attorney Mark Abrell. Mark told the Board that the mediation hearings have been stalled and we need to hire a rate consultant to determine what needs to be done to settle the lawsuit with MSD. Mark suggested we hire Jennifer Wilson from

CroweLLP.. . . . . . . .

He said MSD will also hire a rate consultant to determine how MSD charges us and so

they can advise us how to determine what rate we should pay.

Mark asked the Board for approval and to authorize an engagement letter with Jennifer Wilson, a rate consultant to meet with MSD's consultant.

A roll call motion was taken to authorize Attorney Mark Abrell to send an engagement letter to hire Jennifer W'ilson as rate consultant and Mr. Devine, Mr. Graves, Mr. Knote, Mr. Reinke and Mr. Sewell voted all ayes, no nays, motion can-ied.

Mark told the Board that the IURC had approved MSD could have exclusive sewer service within a 4 mile radius of Delaware County but Delaware Regional ha .requested the case be re-opened since all the issues that the FBI has uncovered and possibly change the order.

Mark told the Board that the Delaware Regional meeting was held on 7-3-19. They discussed the Inter-local agreement. The agreement would be 50-50% on principal and interest, and flow wouldn't be 50-50 but based on the amount of metered flow per entity. Mark said the two districts need to get together and hash out the details. We haven't heard anything from Delaware Regional and on 5-23-19 we asked to extend the deadline for the final decision on funding and as of today we haven't heard a thing from them.

Mr. Knote recognized Engineer Rick Miller. Rick didn't have anything to discuss.

Mr. Knote recognized Superintendent Jen-y Zearbaugh. Jerry asked the Board about repairing or replacing the 5Hp pump for lift stations.

Mr. Devine made a motion to repair the 5Hp pump. Mr. Sewell seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Jeny told the Board that emergency stop push button on the generator at #1 lift station did not work. He asked if the Board wanted to order the repair for the motherboard.

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Mr. Sewell moved to buy a new board subject to Jerry asking if it can be repaired can we return the new one. Mr. Devine seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Jerry's minutes are attached.

Mr. Knote recognized Macon Shroyer. Macon was asking questions concerning the joint treatment plant. Macon works for Yorktown treatment plant. He graduated recently with a degree in environmental science. He was very interested in the progress of the proposed treatment plant.

Mr. Knote recognized Office Manager Kathy May. Kathy had nothing to report.

Mr. K-note .seeing no further. busin. ess adjourned th.. e mee. ting. Liberty Regional Waste District

Kathy May / Office Manager July 18, 2019

Meeting adjourned @ 8:50 p.m.

**Notes for LRWD Board Meeting**

**July 18, 2019**

1. BBC delivered the new pump we ordered in May and it was installed on 6-19-19 at our Whitney Road Lift Station.

Hydromatic HPGHX750ED 7.5 HP Explosion Proof pump H51434-042-7 Stainless Guide Kit Assy

08543-025-5 Stainless Discharge Assy

1. We sent BBC a 5 horsepower pump (model HPGHX500ED) from our Northwood Lift station to be rebuilt due to a seal fail fault. **We did not have a spare 5 horsepower pump.** The pump has severe damage and the repair quote is

$5268.50. The cost of a new pump is $6791.00. The 5 horsepower pump is used at Neal Road, Northwood, and Country Knoll lift stations. Glen Hills, Whitney Road use the same model of pump, however it is 7.5 horsepower. At the present time we do not have any spares. We have a 7.5 horsepower pump from Whitney Road that needs to be sent in for repair. **Do we want to repair or replace the 5 horsepower pump OR do we want to standardize on the 7.5 horsepower pump and keep one spare instead of two spare pumps? Have the 5 Hp pump repaired.**

1. In May we had the front panel replaced on the generator at #1 lift station and the service rep from Buckeye Power found that the Emergency Stop push button did not work and that it cannot work due to a terminal connection on the motherboard. We obtained a quote from Buckeye Power in the amount of $2057.69 for a DEC550 interconnect module. **Does the Board want to order this repair? Yes, but see if the service rep can repair the existing PCB before replacing it.**
2. On June 151

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during the rain storm, #2 lift station failed and both pumps would not

work. We found that on pump #2 - the 480 volts on phase "C" motor overload block had shorted to the 120 volt control circuit and took out the printed circuit board. We made a temporary wiring change to get one pump to work. The next day we replaced the faulty overload relay. We then had two pumps that would work. We also changed the printed circuit board with a new one we had in stock. **The new printed circuit board did not work.** We replaced it again with and older board we had in stock and everything is now okay. We consulted BBC about the faulty circuit board and they brought us a replacement because the original PBC's are obsolete. The

cost of the updated PCB is $350.00 each. All of our printed circuit boards are obsolete..

1. The fence at our Whitney Road lift station was damaged during one of the storms that had some high winds. We asked for an estimate to place the fence only in back

of the generator and lift station -the estimate was $1300.00. Does the Board want us to proceed with the installation of the fence or just have is removed? **This was tabled until next month and we need to get an estimate to put the fence back as it was and file an insurance claim.**

1. On July 1st we got a communication alarm from #1 lift station. We found the Micro Logic 1100 controller had an internal fault and need to be changed. We had our spare installed with the assistance from Precision Control. We then ordered another spare for our stock.
2. Our sales representative from BBC has started a new company (Indiana Pump Works) and joined forces with a service group out of Bloomington to handle pump and lift station repairs. He has introduced a replacement line of pumps.
3. I will be on vacation from August 2nd to the 1i h .

Submitt ed,

Jerry D. Zearbaugh, Supt