

**LIBERTY REGIONAL WASTE DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 18, 2021**

The LRWD board meeting was called to order by President Steve Knote @ 7:00 p.m. The meeting was an open meeting.

Members in attendance were: Marla Cook, Brent Devine, Mark Dennis, Jeremi Dobbs, and Steve Knote.

Others participating was: Office Manager Kathy May, Superintendent Jerry Zearbaugh, Bookkeeper Peg Selvey, Attorney Mark Abrell, Rick Miller was available by phone & Jerry contacted him for information for Keystone lift station upgrade.

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

Claims totaling \$92,838.39 were viewed and signed.

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

Mr. Knote recognized Bookkeeper Peg Selvey for the financial report.

Peg reported receipts for January 2021 were \$105,984.46 with disbursements of \$84,313.21 leaving \$21,671.25 in the black.

This is not the final report for January. Year to date figures include 2020 since annual report has not been submitted

As of today, 2-18-21 the billing office has collected \$80,117.41 with disbursements of \$62,229.86 leaving \$17,887.55 in the black. This includes the MSD bill in the amount of \$21,386.22. March MSD sewage bill is \$26,224.29

Peg mailed the W-2's & 1099's. They were received by SSA & IRS. Peg will submit the annual report next week which is due by 3-1-21.

Peg told the Board that the CD is coming due 3-14-21 in the amount of \$100,000.00. She would like a motion to roll it over.

Mr. Devine made a motion to allow Peg to roll over the CD. Mrs. Cook seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Devine made a motion to approve the financial report. Mrs. Cook seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Knot recognized Attorney Mark Abrell. Mark told the Board that MSD is required to give us information as to how they calculate our rate. The data finally came & Jennifer Wilson has it. She will have the results by next meeting. Mark will let MSD know that we are aware of the results.

Mark said Delaware Regional lost the appeal in court to keep MSD from extending their territory and overlapping with each other. Delaware Regional will have to come to MSD if they want to add new customers.

Mark told the Board that he has to file different lawsuits in the Sarig case to 7 different LLC's.

Mark & Mrs. Cook have been working on the benefits and job descriptions for the employees.

Mr. Knot recognized Engineer Rick Miller. Rick was absent but they contacted him by phone. Rick reported that the 3hp Liberty pump matches up with the curves of the present pump.

Rick said if the Board decides to proceed with the Keystone rehab project the quotes are as follows: \$37,725.00 Equipment from Indiana Pump- 2 pumps single phase, valve vault, fog rod & control panel. \$10,900.00 Culy Construction to rebuild & installation totaling \$48,625.00 plus \$15,000.00 miscellaneous \$63,625.00. Gravel for drive approximately \$1,000.00.

Natural gas & AEP might charge and a gas generator is around \$8,000.00.

Mr. Devine made a motion to proceed with the project up to \$70,000.00. Mrs. Cook seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Knot recognized Superintendent Jerry Zearbaugh. Jerry told the Board that on 1-28-21 he received a quote from Indiana Pump Works for the repair of pump #2 (Serial #100C45.5-CR) at our Hyde Park lift station in the amount of \$3,340.00 which was approved by the Board on 2-5-21.

Jerry said on 2-10-21 they had a severe clog in #1 pump at the Truitt Rd lift station. Jerry had a new impeller and wear ring installed. He noticed that the volute had some serious grooves and should be replaced. #1 pump run timer = 6032 hours.

Jerry showed the Board what a volute is & showed them the grooves in it and also showed them what a new one looked like.

Jerry does not have anymore impellers or wear rings in stock. He asked the Board "do we want to order some replacement parts or consider upgrading to a Shredder pump"?

Mr. Devine made a motion to buy a shredder pump for \$6,760.00. Mrs. Cook seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Jerry said everything seem to be running normal.

Mr. Knoté recognized Office Manager Kathy May. Kathy told the Board that the charge card machine really paid off the past year. We collected \$278,693.48 in charge & debit monthly payments.

Kathy told the Board that the customer @ 9904 E Railroad St hasn't kept their arrangements & is 3 months behind again on their bill. Mark Abrell text them.

Kathy told the Board that a house @ 9706 E Miller was purchased by HUD and now it sold, but there is a balance on the sewage bill that HUD doesn't pay. Kathy asked the Board if they would write-off what HUD didn't pay. HUD sold the house to a contractor from Indianapolis and I was able to collect \$484.12 when the contractor sold the house. The amount left by HUD is \$1,028.25 and the house has been empty since 2010.

Mrs. Cook made a motion to write-off what HUD didn't pay in the amount of \$1028.25. Mr. Devine seconded the motion, all ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Knoté seeing no further business adjourned the meeting.

Liberty Regional Waste District
Kathy May / Office Manager
February 18, 2021
Meeting adjourned @ 9:30 p.m.