MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
October 14, 2010

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lorain County Rural Wastewater District was held at 22898 West Road, Wellington, Ohio. Vice-President Lynch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

Trustees in Attendance:

Secretary-Treasurer Lahetta called the roll with the following trustees shown in attendance:

Thomas Lahetta	Gerald Cowie	Cindy Kurpely
Neil Lynch	James Wright	Tom Steigerwald (A)
John Piwinski	Howard Born	Rita Canfield
James Woodrum	Louise Grose	Ernie Hartman
Bob Meilander (A)	Jason Richardson	

Absent:

James McConnell, Rick Hutman

Also in Attendance:

Becky Haines, ALMU-Special Projects Administrator
Robert Berner, Executive Director
Dennis O'Toole, Legal Council

Approval of Minutes:

Vice-President Lynch stated that the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 9, 2010 had been mailed to all the trustees and called for any additions or corrections. Motion was made by Gerald Cowie with a second by Ernie Hartman to approve the minutes as written. The motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Rate Study – the rate study reviewed by the Policy Committee and the Finance Committee was discussed by Neil Lynch and John Piwinski. A single rate plan was discussed during the joint meeting of the Finance and Planning Committees prior to the Board Meeting. Both committees unanimously recommended a single rate plan. The committees recommended Executive Director determine the optimal single rate for all users and make a recommendation to the board. It was also recommended a public hearing be held in November in Eaton or Carlisle Township prior to the board taking action. Executive Director Berner will schedule the meeting.

New Business:

Vice-President Lynch had no report.

The legal report – Attorney O'Toole had not report.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-19 for payment of payroll and bills was moved by Cindy Kurpley a second by Tom Lehetta. The motion was unanimously approved.

Executive Director Berner briefly discussed the financial statement and commented on Interest expense from FirstMerit Bank. He also updated the board on a meeting with the USDA and informed board USDA did not have any planning grants available but did recommend contacting RCAP. He informed the board of attending the Rural Water Planning meeting on October 6th. He confirmed a work session meeting with LaGrange Township on November 1st at 7:00 pm to discuss LORCO options.

Executive Director Berner discussed the news articles and public information included in the board packets.

Executive Director Berner informed the board of the approved change to the FPA by the NOACA Board on September 10th.

Executive Director Berner informed board of a meeting on October 13th with members of ALMU staff and their board president along with Neil Lynch and Tom Lahetta of the LORCO board to discuss planning and transition issues. He discussed the need for policy committee meetings to be scheduled as needed over the next several months to insure proper operational policies are in place.

Becky Haines updated the board on Phase I. She reviewed contactor status on contracts all 10 construction contracts.

Other Business:

Vice-President Lynch asked if there were any comments from the board.
Trustee Richardson raised an issue on Royalton Rd. and Dye Rd Right Of Way.
Vice-President Lynch asked if there were any comments from the audience.
Carl Denk commented on his lateral connection, completion date and asked about the status on Indian Hollow Road.
Del Roig commented on homes 200' or more from the road talking about a conversation he had with the health department.

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Howard Born with a second by Tom Steigerwald to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

The board will meet again in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 11, 2010 at the LORCO Offices, 22898 West Road, Wellington, Ohio.

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        President   **Secretary-Treasurer**