

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
February 9, 2023**

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lorain County Rural Wastewater District was held at the LORCO offices, 22898 West Road, Wellington, Ohio. Board vice president Lynch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Roll Call (Board secretary-treasurer Wesemeyer):

Will Schlechter	√	Michael Koch	√	Neil Lynch	√
Doug Gardner	√	Karol Cornelius	√	Jim McConnell	√
Kathy Frombaugh	√	Rick Hutman	√	Scott Justin	√
Jed Lamb	√	Cindy Kurpely		Del Roig	√
Carl Wesemeyer	√	Tom Lahetta		Jim Wright	√
		Dale Breining		Jim Woodrum	√

Also in Attendance:

Eugene M. Toy, Executive Director; Tom Berry, Cinnamon Lake property owner

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Schlechter, with a second by Koch to approve January 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Voice vote for approval was unanimous. Gardner abstained for the stated reason that he was not being present at the January meeting.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

President's Report:

Lynch reminded those in attendance that Board president Kurpely was traveling for work and would not be at the meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-6 Approval of non-LMRE & RLCWA-related January deposits and payments. It was moved by Lamb, with a second by Roig to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-7 Approval of RLCWA-related January payments. It was moved by Koch with a second by Cornelius to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 12 Yeas. 0 Nays. Lamb and Wesemeyer abstained. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-8 Approval of NOACA-proposed Lorain County FPA changes (Map 1 only). It was moved by Koch, with a second by Roig to approve the resolution. Map 1 was projected to the large conference room wall monitor. General discussion followed. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-9 Approve OPERS policy permitting conversion of accumulated but unused leave time. It was moved by Wright, with a second by McConnell to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

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February 9, 2023 Project Status Summary		
Project	Location	Status
Eaton Crossing - Phase 1 (Frontier Land Group)	South side of State Route 82 between Island Road & Reed Road (near Schild's IGA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still working on homes on Sublots 44, 45, and Outlot 1. • Planning on starting home on Outlot 2 the week of 2/27/23. • Phase 1 is 51 sublots beginning at Island Road & heading east • Total project - 217 homes on approximately 80 acres
Eaton Crossing - Phase 2	East of Phase 1. Connects Phase 1 (Island Road entrance) with Reed Road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same status as last month. • Sanitary sewer Permit to Install (PTI) issued by Ohio EPA 7/15/22. • Monitoring economic/market conditions. • Earliest start of infrastructure construction would be early 2023. • Phase 2 consists of 45 additional sublots.
Woods at Eaton — Phase 1 (Jonathan Palmer)	Cooley Road (north of Mallard Creek Golf Course)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuing to review and approve plot plans. • Home construction continuing at a steady pace. • Phase 1 is 50 sublots on south side of Cooley Road.
Woods at Eaton — Phase 2 (Jonathan Palmer)	Cooley Road (north of Mallard Creek Golf Course)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phase 2 Permit to Install (PTI) issued by Ohio EPA 8/29/22. • Phase 1 is moving along steadily so their plan is to have Phase 2 paved by August or September of this year. • Anticipate turning in plans for review in the next couple of weeks. • Phase 2 is 53 sublots on south side of Cooley Road.
Barrington subdivision - Phase 10 (Yost Construction)	Barrington subdivision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Received detailed plans for Cycle 2 review. • Developer is proposing to replace existing 15" sewer with properly-sized 8" sewer. • Eccentric 15"x8" PVC adaptor was approved in lieu of a new manhole. • Existing manhole raceway is not in good condition and will need to be field fixed/modified. • 50 sublots in Phase 10.
Beaver Creek (Yost Construction)	Durkee Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developer has received variance from ODOT for ingress/egress to State Route 82, as Durkee Road is within 0.5 mile. • Phase 1- 91 sublots off of Durkee Road and State Route 82. • Entire project is proposed 245 sublots on 158 acres.
Cinnamon Lake - Force main	Cinnamon Lake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work continues on installing 8" diameter force main from Cinnamon Lake toward West Salem.
Emerald Fairways - Brentwood Golf Course (SR 57)	BCK INVESTMENT LLC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same status as last month. • Was on November 15, 2022 Subdivision Review Subcommittee meeting agenda for preliminary approval. • Developer requested that preliminary approval be tabled due to the significant number of comments from the county engineer's office.

2) Legacy Fair – informed developer after our January board meeting of the tap fee that would be charged. As of yet, no response. Manhole plug was discovered to have been deflated, removed, folded, and placed on a manhole ladder rung so that matter is under investigation.

3) Audit Fees – “division by zero” error. Will be fixed for next month.

4) Chestnut Ridge Road, Sheetz project. Communicating with the development team regarding utility relocation and easement agreement modification.

- 5) Jeff Armbruster (current North Ridgeville safety-service director) appointed to be Lorain County administrator starting later this month. Sent a congratulatory email and received a reply. Received a call yesterday from John Gall, Commissioner Jeff Riddell administrative assistant. Commissioner Riddell had requested information on the Phase 1 system and potential areas for LORCO growth. Planning on meeting sometime the week of the 20th.
- 6) LaGrange, Pittsfield, and Wellington Townships – have not received appointment notifications for terms expiring 3/27/23.
- 7) Schild’s IGA – checked in with Bob Klaiber, assistant Lorain County engineer. He is working on getting a price to have the connection done.

Other Business:

Gardner reported on a large parcel of farmground in LaGrange Township having been sold for the purpose of creating a wetland mitigation bank. LaGrange Township is concerned about taking farm acreage out of production.

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Schlechter and seconded by Lamb to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm and meet again on Thursday, March 9, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Voice vote to approve was unanimous.

President

Secretary-Treasurer