

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
July 8, 2021**

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 president Korpely 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	√
Rita Canfield		Karol Cornelius	√	Jim McConnell	√
Adam Mourton		Rick Hutman	√	Andy Gulish	√
Jed Lamb		Cindy Korpely	√	Del Roig	√
Carl Wesemeyer	√	Tom Lahetta	√	Jim Wright (Zoom)	√
		Dale Breining	√	Jim Woodrum	√

Also in Attendance:

Eugene M. Toy, Executive Director; Ryan Gembala, OMDP Law

Changes to agenda:

Roig requested a discussion regarding exiting Phase 1 customers potentially being responsible for Phase 1 debt. Korpely stated that discussion would be held under "Other Business".

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Koch, with a second by Roig to approve June 10, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

President's Report:

Tonight's meeting will be the last LORCO meeting for virtual (Zoom) participation. Future meetings will be in-person.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-28 Approval of non-LMRE & RLCWA-related June deposits and payments. It was moved by Lahetta, with a second by Koch to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-29 Approval of RLCWA-related June payments. It was moved by Roig with a second by Koch to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 12 Yeas. 0 Nays. Korpely and Wesemeyer abstained. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-30 Approval of LMRE-related June payments. It was moved by Koch, with a second by Schlechter to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 13 Yeas. 0 Nays. McConnell abstained. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-31 Approve the use of District funds to purchase coffee, meals, refreshments or other amenities excluding alcoholic beverages to more effectively perform professional responsibilities and complete departmental projects and programs. It was moved by Schlechter, with a second by Gulish to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 14 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

1)

7/8/21 Project Status Summary

Project	Location	Status																																													
Eaton Crossings (Frontier Land Group)	South side of State Route 82 between Island Road & Reed Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design professional submitted Cycle 2 plans to us on 7/7/21 Design professional has asked for an expedited Cycle 2 plan review as the developer would like to complete all Phase 1 construction this calendar year Phase 1 - 51 sublots beginning at Island Road & heading east Total project - 217 homes on approximately 80 acres 																																													
Woods at Eaton – Phase 1 (Jonathan Palmer)	Cooley Road (north of Mallard Creek Golf Course)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All required preconstruction meeting have taken place <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="text-align: center;"><i>M & J Building & Excavating, LLC</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="text-align: center;"><i>MAJOR OF WORK SCHEDULE</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>june</td> <td>28 to 30</td> <td>water line extension</td> </tr> <tr> <td>july</td> <td>1 to 17</td> <td>water line extension</td> </tr> <tr> <td>july</td> <td>17 to 31</td> <td>sewer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>aug</td> <td>1 to 21</td> <td>sewer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>aug</td> <td>22 to 31</td> <td>storm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sept</td> <td>1 to 30</td> <td>storm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>oct</td> <td>1 to 16</td> <td>water line extension</td> </tr> <tr> <td>oct</td> <td>17 to 22</td> <td>grade road</td> </tr> <tr> <td>oct</td> <td>25 to 29</td> <td>stabilize</td> </tr> <tr> <td>nov</td> <td>1 to 5</td> <td>pour curbs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>nov</td> <td>8 to 12</td> <td>pave</td> </tr> <tr> <td>oct</td> <td>25 to 29</td> <td>electric</td> </tr> <tr> <td>nov</td> <td>1 to 12</td> <td>finish grade</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 1 is 52 sublots 	<i>M & J Building & Excavating, LLC</i>			<i>MAJOR OF WORK SCHEDULE</i>			june	28 to 30	water line extension	july	1 to 17	water line extension	july	17 to 31	sewer	aug	1 to 21	sewer	aug	22 to 31	storm	sept	1 to 30	storm	oct	1 to 16	water line extension	oct	17 to 22	grade road	oct	25 to 29	stabilize	nov	1 to 5	pour curbs	nov	8 to 12	pave	oct	25 to 29	electric	nov	1 to 12	finish grade
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Still Meadows (Yost Construction)	Slife Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subdivision received preliminary subdivision plan approval on 5/27/21 Have not yet received detailed sanitary sewer plans for Cycle 1 review 22 sublots in Phase 1. Project total is approximately 65 sublots 																																													
Beaver Creek (Yost Construction)	Durkee Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On August planning commission agenda for preliminary subdivision approval No indication if construction will be phased Proposed 245 sublots on 158 acres 																																													
Cinnamon Lake-West Salem force main	Jackson Twp, Ashland Co. and Congress Twp, Wayne Co.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working on final maintenance building design prior to bidding Working on obtaining permit to install (PTI) extension from Ohio EPA since it has been >18 months since PTI was initially issued 																																													
Mallards Edge - Phase 5	Royalton Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Received detailed sanitary sewer plans 7/7/21 to review Developer received preliminary approval of the entire site many years ago Technically the plan expired because it had been 2 ½ years since the last phase was completed Mallards Edge Preliminary Plan was just reapproved at the last Planning Commission meeting Developer is looking to start site improvements on Phase 5 (15 sublots) soon 																																													

2) Met June 11th at RLCWA office with Joe Waldecker and State Sen. Nathan Manning. Also present were representatives from Northern Ohio Rural Water and Kipton mayor Bob Meilander. Ohio is receiving approximately \$12 billion as part of the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The state’s share will be nearly \$5.4 billion and local governments located in Ohio will receive approximately \$6.6 billion. 6119 regional districts are not entitled to direct funding through ARPA; however, they are eligible to receive the state’s portion of funding to be used for water and sewer infrastructure projects. House Bill 168 was passed in late June. Includes \$250 million for sewer and water infrastructure projects. It appears as though county engineers are going to be responsible for submitting a list of projects to the Ohio Department of Development.

3) Had Zoom meeting July 1st with NOACA, Elyria, Avon Lake Regional Water, and Lorain County to discuss FPA issues. Discussed making US 20/SR 10 the FPA boundary

between LORCO and Elyria and providing Elyria with LORCO transmission force main capacity. Deadline for next NOACA Water Quality Subcommittee meeting agenda is August 31st. Between now and then, LORCO and Elyria will be forwarding information to NOACA staff in an attempt to have an FPA change request on the September WQS meeting agenda as an action item.

Other Business:

Concern raised by Roig about the potential for Phase 1 users to be liable for LORCO debt. General discussion followed including input from LORCO legal counsel. Finance Committee meeting will be scheduled between now and the next board meeting to continue discussion on the matter.

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Koch and seconded by Schlechter to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 pm and meet again on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Voice vote to approve was unanimous.

President

Secretary-Treasurer