

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT
April 13, 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 president Kurpely 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	√	Bill Forthofer	√
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

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Koch, with a second by Lahetta to approve March 9, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

President's Report:

- 1) Bill Forthofer was sworn in prior to the meeting to serve as Pittsfield Township representative, replacing Jim McConnell.
- 2) Turned floor over to Del Roig who relayed a message from former LORCO board member Jim McConnell. Jim wanted to express that he was not leaving on a bad note and that he felt Bill Forthofer would do a good job on the board as his replacement.
- 3) Met 4/4 with legal counsel and accountants. Met 4/12 with legal counsel, accountants and ALRW. Discussed with ALRW the Cooperative Agreement and debt owed by LORCO to ALRW. Parties will continue to meet and explore potentially broader relationships.
- 4) Jim Woodrum has been appointed to serve as Finance Committee chair. Del Roig has been appointed to serve as Finance Committee vice chair.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-14 Approval of non-LMRE & RLCWA-related March deposits and payments. It was moved by Wright, with a second by Schlechter to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 11 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-15 Approval of RLCWA-related March payments. It was moved by Roig with a second by Koch to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 9 Yeas. 0 Nays. Kurpely and Wesemeyer abstained. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-16 Approval of LMRE-related March payments. It was moved by Koch, with a second by Lahetta to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 11 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-17 Approval of Reauthorization of Funds. Kurpely asked Toy to provide a brief explanation. Toy explained that Resolution Nos. 2023-17 and 2023-18 were both for the purpose of appropriating already-received Cinnamon Lake force main project funding and paying contractors/engineering. It was moved by Cornelius, with a second by Koch to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 11 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-18 Approve Then & Now Purchase Orders. It was moved by Schlechter, with a second by Roig to approve the resolution. The vote was as follows: 11 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:

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April 13, 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"> Continuing to process plot plans and inspect new home construction Phase 1 is 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"> Continuing to process plot plans and inspect new home construction 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"> Checked in with developer this week. Same status as last month. 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"> Completed Cycle 2 plan review - approved by LORCO sanitary engineer. Developer was directed to resubmit scanned complete set of plans, signed and sealed to LORCO sanitary engineer for self-certification and submittal to Ohio EPA. Construction will start shortly after Ohio EPA issues the PTI. 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. 20 sublots in Phase 10.
Beaver Creek (Yost Construction)	Durkee Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same status as last month. 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"> At the current rate, Simonson is trending approximately 5 weeks ahead of schedule and making good progress every week. The force main will be completed in approximately 1.5 weeks After force main is completed, Simonson will be moving on to the air release, clean out pit, and bypass install. This task should take 7-8 weeks. The next task will be getting the force main pressure tested and get the pumps changed out for start up. At this point, I would expect pump start up to be sometime in mid-late June.

- 2) Submitted Permit to Install application to Ohio EPA for Lift Station 2 and Lift Station 4 improvements.
- 3) Welcome new Pittsfield Township board member – Bill Forthofer.
- 4) Sue Sefarik was a long-time office worker at Cinnamon Lake. Left recently for a new position. Cinnamon Lake Association will be advertising the opening.
- 5) NOACA Planning and Programming Committee meets tomorrow. One of the items on the meeting agenda is to consider approving staff recommendations to Lorain County Five-Year Facility Planning Area (FPA) Map Reviews Proposed Changes. Recommended for approval last month by Water Quality Subcommittee. Next step would be approval by Executive Committee 5/12/23 and full board 6/9/23.

Other Business:

None

Adjourn:

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Schlechter and seconded by Koch to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 pm and meet again on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Voice vote to approve was unanimous.

President

Secretary-Treasurer