

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
LORAIN COUNTY RURAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT  
January 9, 2014**

**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. President McConnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Trustee Roll Call:**

Howard Born – PRESENT	Louise Grose – ABSENT	Neil Lynch - PRESENT
Rita Canfield – ABSENT	Michael Hill – ABSENT	James McConnell - PRESENT
Gerald Cowie – PRESENT	Rick Hutman – PRESENT	John Piwinski - PRESENT
Mary Beth Derikito – PRESENT	Cindy Kurpely – PRESENT	Del Roig - PRESENT
Tom Steigerwald – PRESENT	Thomas Lahetta – PRESENT	James Wright - PRESENT
		James Woodrum - PRESENT

**Also in Attendance:**

Eugene M. Toy, Executive Director; Don Krueck, New Russia Twp.

**Election of Officers:**

In accordance with Article IV, Section 1 of the LORCO Bylaws, election of officers is to take place at the first meeting of the year. Jim McConnell asked LORCO Executive Director to handle the election of officers. The floor was then opened for nominations for President. Motion was made by Howard Born with a second by Mary Beth Derikito to retain the same slate of officers for 2014. Voice vote was unanimous with the following results: James McConnell, President; Neil Lynch, Vice President; and Thomas Lahetta, Secretary-Treasurer.

**Approval of Minutes:**

It was moved by Cindy Kurpely, with a second by Gerald Cowie to approve the November 14, 2013 meeting minutes as presented. All voted yea. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**President's Report:**

Reported that LORCO was represented at the December 17, 2013 ALMU board meeting. LORCO presented a draft strategic plan. He believes there is a good line of communication open between LORCO and ALMU and that the ALMU board is in a better frame of mind regarding LORCO than they have been in the past.

Reported that Executive Director's employment agreement stipulates a six month performance review and that anniversary date is February 26, 2014. Board members will be receiving evaluation forms and will be requested to return them to Jim McConnell. He will tabulate results and the Board will conduct an executive session at the March meeting to go over the review.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-27 Approval of November deposits and payments** It was moved by Roig, with a second by Steigerwald to approve the list as presented. The vote was as follows. 13 Yea. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-28 Authorizing the assessment of delinquent tap fees and other charges.** It was moved by Roig, with a second by Kurpely to approve Resolution No. 2013-28. The vote was as follows. 13 Yea. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-29 Authorizing operation and maintenance agreement with Avon Lake Municipal Utilities outside of Phase 1 area.** It was moved by Kurpely, with a second by Derikito to approve Resolution No. 2013-28. After further discussion, it was recommended to remove references to Phase 1 in the resolution and make it clear that the operation and maintenance agreement only pertained to Barrington Park. The vote was as follows. 13 Yea. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-30 Approval of 2014 permanent budget.** It was moved by Roig, with a second by Wright to approve Resolution No. 2013-30. The vote was as follows. 13 Yea. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-31 Approval of 2013 re-appropriation authorization.** It was moved by Roig, with a second by Piwinski to approve Resolution No. 2013-31. The vote was as follows. 13 Yea. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-1 Approval of December deposit and payments.** It was moved by Piwinski, with a second by Steigerwald to approve Resolution No. 2014-1. The vote was as follows. 13 Yea. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

**Executive Director Report:**

Briefed the board regarding outdated and obsolete computer equipment and received board approval to dispose of it pending concurrence from legal counsel. Presented draft strategic plan.

**Other Business:**

Jim McConnell informed the board of his desire to create a LORCO Strategic Planning Committee consisting of the current three core members of the Planning and Operations Committee as well as two or three additional members. All board members were encouraged to get involved and provide input.

**Adjourn:**

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Cindy Kurpely and seconded by Del Roig to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. and meet again on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

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President

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Secretary-Treasurer