



Bass Lake Conservancy District Meeting May 21, 2018

PRESENT: Chairman Gene Novello
Vice Chairman Larry Collura
Director Jerry Broadstreet
Plant Manager Tom Jordan
Attorney Scott Bozik (stood in for Lowe)
Office Assistant Mariann Gappa
Office Assistant Tabitha Dillner
Jenny Sapp (stood in for Nagai)

ABSENT: Engineer Lee Nagai
Attorney Ethan Lowe
Director Russ Blais

Chairman Gene Novello called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – The reading of the minutes from the meeting was waived and Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2018 meeting, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Financials – Chairman Novello presented the financial report. The fund balances exceed the minimum reserve requirements by \$1,699,483 and the total receipts have exceeded the total expenditures to date by \$90,313. Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the financial report from April 2018, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Bills to be paid:

NIPSCO	\$124.36 (Plant)
NIPSCO	\$718.45 (Lift Stations)
NIPSCO	\$75.84 (Lake Pump)
Century Link	\$246.29 (Phone Service)
Prime Pay	\$4,037.63 (4/22/2018)
Prime Pay	\$3,856.70 (5/6/2018)
Prime Pay	\$128.72 (April Charge)
TCU	\$64.70 (April charge)
TCU	\$679.86 (T's Credit Card)
TCU	\$674.70 (M's Credit Card)
Apheus	\$269.99 (Carbonite-1Year)
Apheus	\$12.95 (Computer)
Pheasants Forever	\$640.00 (Seed)
Blachy, Tabor, Bozik	\$1,906.25 (Attorney Fees)
Umbaugh	\$1,735.00 (April Charge)
Indiana 811	\$42.75 (Quarterly Ticket Fee)
Accident Fund	\$1,417.00 (Insurance)
Pilot News Group	\$27.59 (Legal Notice)

Npes	\$1,135.00 (Engineer Fees)
Gasvoda & Associates	\$2,225.80 (Annual Service-J Lift Station)
ADT	\$1,144.32 (Security Services-Annual)
D.S.&S.	\$800.00 (C Lift Station-Post Installation)
D.S.&S.	\$450.00 (Pumped Manhole)
D.S.&S.	\$300.00 (Cleaned Lift Station O)
D.S.&S.	\$610.00 (6640 E 550 S Sinkhole)
Cummins	\$467.85 (New Heater-Generator 1)
Cummins	\$297.18 (Generator Service -1)
Cummins	\$297.18 (Generator Service -2)
Cummins	\$324.60 (Generator Service -3)
Phil Johanan	\$200.00 (Generator & light Service)
Travelers Ins.	\$1,200.00 (Umbrella/Excess)
Travelers Ins.	\$5,793.00 (Comm Package & Liability)
Flow-Technics	\$9,555.00 (New Pumps-O & B)
USA Blue Book	\$181.99 (Lab Supplies)
Mark Milo Enterprises	\$400.00 (Dewatering Pipe-Repair 650 S.)

Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the bills as presented and read into the May 21, 2018 minutes, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Water Testing – Vice Chairman Collura stated to the BLPOA board the BLCD would not be doing weekly testing, only once a month. Plant Manager Jordan will begin the test in May. Vice Chairman Collura will put together a spreadsheet of the information Plant Manager Jordan forwards on to him. Director Broadstreet mentioned that Rick Anderson would like to be at there with they do the testing at the pump and LARE site once the pump is turned on and has been running a week. The pump will be turned on when water stops running over the dam. This testing will be covered by the BLPOA board.

LARE – Director Broadstreet stated that everything has been turned in and Aquatic Control came out with DNR and checked for milfoil and there was none in the lake. If anything does come up and needs to be done with the lake, it must be presented and passed by DNR.

Policies Prohibiting Harassment – Chairman Novello stated the policy was approved last month and asked the attorney if anything more needed to be done at this point. Attorney Bozik mentioned handing out the waiver to employees but after the Equal Opportunity Policy was finished since the waiver covers both. Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to table the harassment and Equal Opportunity Policy until next meeting, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

5840 S 600 E – Plant Manager Jordan stated that this property has been paying for three septic bills per month with they should have been paying for four. The place is up for sale and it states having an extra place for rent on the property. The home owner was contacted and invited to come to the meeting to discuss but didn't show up. Billing for the extra place will start in June.

Jordan's Report – Plant Manager Jordan reported that some of the D.S.&S. bills is the from the cleaning out the beginning of the system (of lift station N) where the most build up is. The rest of the line will video tapped and reviewed in the fall. After reviewing the video, he came across possible five sump pump users, one is for sure with a large amount of water with the other four needing more research. What would the board like. Chairman Novello recommended Plant

Manger Jordan send Attorney Lowe an email stating what he just mentioned to the board and have him send a letter to the one home owner that is for sure sump pumping into the sewer system. As for the other four, hold off until more research is done to make sure. Vice Chairman Collura asked about the corner of Elm and Woodland (Buchta's corner) where all the water collects. Plant Manager Jordan mentioned that nothing could be done there because that pole barn was built, he added the other place and built up his property (the guy that has the pole barn and the garage). Then the ones that always had all the water around it had brought in fill. The county can't do anything about it because the collected water sits at the same level as the lake. The manhole lids are not contributing to water getting in the system. Plant Manager Jordan mentioned that they are as tight as they can get them. If there is any water getting through is such a small amount, not enough to measure. Plant Manger Jordan stated for the month of April the total rain fall was 3.32 inches.

Attorney's Comments – Attorney Bozik stated that the public notice has been published for the 2018 election. Also, the Equal Opportunity Policy the board will be furthered until the next meeting. He mentioned Attorney Lowe copied everyone on the letter he put together for Director Broadstreet about the cash lease to Wappel Farms. There is no automatic right of renewal and any negotiations to be completed by September 20, 2018. As for the easement documents he has been working with Engineer Nagai. Attorney Lowe sent Engineer Nagai copies of the files they had, and he would be meeting with Engineer Nagai before the June board meeting to review what they found and will be able to report to the board at the June meeting. Vice Chairman Collura stated to Attorney Bozik that this was the second year the BLCD board has bid out for insurance. He wanted to know if this is something that must be done every year. Or if they could space it out to two or three years. Chairman Novello thought it bad business to go out for bid each year. He recommended doing it every three years. Attorney Bozik will check with Attorney Lowe.

Office Assistant's Comments – Office Assistant Gappa stated there was two new accounts and one potential.

Comments from the Board – Director Broadstreet inquired if anyone has shown interest in the vacant director's spots. And what happens if no one runs for the empty spot. Russ Blais has his petition filled out for the at large position. No one has stepped forward for Director One position. Chairman Novello mentioned that per Attorney Lowe, someone can be appointed to the position.

Comments from the Audience – Nothing was added.

Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m., Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried. The next meeting will be June 18, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the BLPOA Building.