

Bass Lake Conservancy District Meeting May 11, 2020

AGENDA:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Minutes
- Financial Report
- Bills
- Water Testing 2020
- Yearly Insurance Premium
- LARE
- Facebook Page
- 6475 S SR 10
- Tom Jordan's Report
- Comments from Attorney
- Comments from Office Coordinator
- Comments from the Board
- Questions or Comments from the Audience
- Adjournment

Chairman Gene Novello called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Gene Novello Director Gene Ladd

Vice Chairman Larry Collura Plant Manager Tom Jordan

Director Jerry Broadstreet Office Coordinator Tabitha Dillner

Director Russ Blais Attorney Christopher Ripley

Engineer Lee Nagai

ABSENT:

Minutes – The reading of the minutes from the meeting was waived and Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2020 meeting, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Financials – Chairman Novello presented the March financial report. The fund balances exceed the minimum reserve requirements by \$2,193,974 and the total receipts have exceeded the total expenditures to date by \$56,052. Unmetered collections are \$1,336 over budget and total operating expenditures are under budget by \$6,651. Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the financial report from March 2020, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Novello presented the April financial report. The fund balances exceed the minimum reserve requirements by \$2,203,474 and the total receipts have exceeded the total expenditures to date by \$65,552. Unmetered collections are \$645 under budget and total operating expenditures

are under budget by \$4,753. Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the financial report from April 2020, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried.

April Bills to be paid:

NIPSCO	\$ 358.96	Monthly plant
NIPSCO	\$ 543.23	Monthly lift stations
NIPSCO	\$ 81.70	Monthly lake pump
CenturyLink	\$ 157.06	Monthly phone service
TCU-Credit Card-7020	\$ 3,584.99	Tom credit card
TCU-Credit Card-7046	\$ 76.88	Tabi credit card
TCU-Fee	\$ 71.20	Bank fees
PrimePay-Payroll	\$ 4,437.61	Bi-weekly payroll – 2/24/2020 – 3/8/2020
PrimePay-Payroll	\$ 6,400.34	Bi-weekly payroll $-3/9/2020 - 3/22/2020$
PrimePay-Payroll	\$ 4,669.68	Bi-weekly Payroll – 3/23/2020 – 4/5/2020
PrimePay-Invoice	\$ 149.37	Monthly service charges $-\frac{2}{24}/2020 - \frac{3}{27}/2020$
Apheus	\$ 139.00	Monthly computer fee
Baker Tilly	\$ 1,891.00	Financial management services – February
Baker Tilly	\$ 1,787.00	Financial management services – March
Wildman	\$ 33.32	Monthly service fee-rugs
Flow Tech	\$ 3,527.11	J lift station service & new VFD1
Hyper Wave Consulting	\$ 635.78	Computer/network updates
Cummins	\$ 1,803.25	J generator repairs
State Board of Accounts	\$ 3,042.00	Audit payment for 2017 & 2018

Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the bills as presented noting each payee, the dollar amounts, and purpose were read into the May 11, 2020 minutes. Let the record show that PrimePay 3/9/2020-3/22/2020 was higher since it had 28 extra hours for Plant Manager Jordan's overtime. Director Ladd seconded. Motion carried.

May Bills to be paid:

NIPSCO	\$ 291.03	Monthly plant
NIPSCO	\$ 605.00	Monthly lift stations
NIPSCO	\$ 81.12	Monthly lake pump
CenturyLink	\$ 161.57	Monthly phone service
TCU-Credit Card-7020	\$ 1,544.34	Tom credit card
TCU-Credit Card-7046	\$ 1,274.60	Tabi credit card
TCU-Fee	\$ 71.45	Bank fees
PrimePay-Payroll	\$ 4,523.99	Bi-weekly payroll – 4/6/2020 – 4/19/2020
PrimePay-Payroll	\$ 4,376.85	Bi-weekly payroll $-4/20/2020 - 5/3/2020$
PrimePay-Invoice	\$ 146.56	Monthly service charges $-3/23/2020 - 4/24/2020$
Apheus	\$ 139.00	Monthly computer fee
Apheus	\$ 85.78	Computer parts
Baker Tilly	\$ 1,787.00	Financial management services – April
Wildman	\$ 33.32	Monthly service fee-rugs
Cummins	\$ 1,811.42	J generator repairs
Cummins	\$ 326.47	J generator repairs
Cummins	\$ 342.88	J generator repairs
Sensaphone	\$ 5,089.80	Lift station alarms-annual
Evoqua	\$ 3,600.00	G lift station bioxide
Indiana 811	\$ 64.60	Quarterly ticket fee

Accident Fund Ins \$ 1,438.00 Initial installment
Travelers Ins \$ 12,438.00 Annual ins fee

ADT \$ 1,269.96 Annual security cameras

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Water Testing— Vice Chairman Collura requested from the board to continue doing the e-coli water testing from May through September, which the board agreed. Plant Manager Jordan agreed to do the test.

Yearly Insurance Premium—After board discussion about the insurance bill presented by Morrow Insurance, Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the insurance premium for May 2020 to May 2021 in the amount of \$13, 876. Director Blais seconded. Motion carried.

LARE—Director Broadstreet stated that Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) awarded Bass Lake \$6500 for the invasive vegetation management. This will help control aggressive non-native plants.

Facebook Page—There was discussion between the board, staff, and the Attorney Ripley about having a Bass Lake Conservancy District Facebook page. After brief discussion if was agreed no Facebook page would be started Instead, Vice Chairman Collura would talk to Apheus about adopting an email service to reach homeowners.

6475 S SR 10—Plant Manger Jordan presented the board with maps of the location of the property up for discussion. This lot is an empty lot. The homeowner sent two certified letters of the property along with pictures. The homeowner is requesting something be done with the BLCD utility equipment. Stating that he has no access to the property. Engineer Nagai and Plant Manager Jordan visited the site along with the property deed and INDOT plans. The BLCD utility equipment is in line with the utility pole and underground gas lines which is within the 50-foot utility easement. The board, Plant Manager Jordan and Attorney Ripley discussed possible solutions to work with the homeowner to resolve the issue. Attorney Ripley will send a letter to the homeowner to invite him to the next meeting to discuss some possible solutions.

Tom Jordan's Report—Plant Manger Jordan stated that NIPSCO putting in the generators for the lift stations have been put on hold due to Covid-19 restrictions. The work will resume as soon as the restrictions lift. He also mentioned that as soon as the water stops going over the dam he will test the pump to make sure it is working so he knows if it's running properly when it is time to turn it on later in the season. Plant Manager Jordan also mentioned the rainfall for March was 2.5 inches and April was 3.5 inches.

Office Coordinator's Comments—Office Coordinator Dillner discussed with the board about how long to postpone late fees and not filing liens due to the Covid-19. It was agreed to hold this discussion until the next board meeting.

Comments from the Board—Vice Chairman Collura discussed with Plant Manager Jordan about the asphalt for the BLCD road. Plant Manager Jordan is looking into a company to do it. He also discussed with the board the positive changes in the office makeover. And about looking into an awning for the office door.

Attorney's Comments—Attorney Ripley stated that his office has sent out the public notices about the annual public meeting and election. He will also make sure that legal notice is sent to us to put on the BLCD's website.

Comments from the Audience—No audience in attendance.

Director Blais made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried. The next meeting will be June 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the BLPOA building.