



Bass Lake Conservancy District Meeting October 14, 2024

AGENDA:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Minutes
- Financial Report
- Bills
- Aquatic Control
- Farm Lease
- 5840 S 600 E
- 5373 S SR 10
- Plant Manager’s Report
- Comments from Attorney
- Comments from Office Coordinator
- Comments from the Board
- Questions or Comments from the Audience

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

PRESENT: Chairman Gene Novello
 Vice Chairman Larry Collura
 Director Jerry Broadstreet
 Director Russ Blais
 Aquatic Control Rep-Melina Ryan

Director Melissa Long
 Plant Manager Tom Jordan
 District Office Coordinator Tabitha Dillner
 Attorney Christian Bartholomew

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 September 9, 2024 meeting, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Financials– Chairman Gene Novello presented the September financial report. The fund balances exceed the minimum reserve requirements by \$2,615,658 and the total receipts have exceeded the total expenditures to date by \$81,552. Unmetered collections are over budget by \$15,157. Total operating expenditures are under budget by \$180,995. The Board decided to table the approval of the minutes until the next meeting to get some clarification on the numbers presented on page 3-‘comparative schedule of actual cash receipts and disbursements to budget’. Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to accept this decision, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried.

Bills to be paid:

NIPSCO	\$ 239.31	Monthly plant
NIPSCO	\$ 1,031.97	Monthly lift stations
NIPSCO	\$ 1,862.23	Monthly lake pump
Brightspeed	\$ 196.43	Monthly phone
PrimePay*	\$ 5,820.05	Bi-weekly payroll – 8/31/2024 – 9/13/2024
PrimePay	\$ 5,740.44	Bi-weekly payroll – 9/14/2024 – 9/27/2024

PrimePay	\$ 5,637.26	Bi-weekly payroll – 9/28/2024 – 10/11/2024
PrimePay	\$ 276.62	Monthly service charges-august
PrimePay	\$ 276.62	Monthly service charges-September
HWC	\$ 258.00	Monthly computer fee
Baker Tilly	\$ 2,085.00	Monthly accounting fees
Indiana 811	\$ 148.20	Monthly locates
Everwise	\$ 3,134.14	Monthly credit card
Everwise-Invoice	\$ 128.65	Monthly bank fees-August
Everwise-Invoice	\$ 128.50	Monthly bank fees-September
BCC	\$ 2,307.61	Monthly attorney fees
HML	\$ 40.00	Monthly e-coli test
HML	\$ 45.00	Monthly phosphorus test
Northern IN Wildlife	\$ 375.00	Monthly trapper fee
Aquatic Control	\$ 1,312.50	Annual phragmites treatment
J.A. Larr & Co	\$ 1,955.35	Manhole risers
Don’s Sewer & Septic	\$ 460.00	Videoed manholes-M3 & M4
Don’s Sewer & Septic	\$ 360.00	Videoed locate-5429 & 5425 Riviera CT
Don’s Sewer & Septic	\$ 460.00	Videoed line-5650 & 5690 SR 10
Keystone	\$ 325.00	Annual disaster recovery fee

*\$100 Director Long (included in payroll 8/31/2024)

Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the bills as presented noting each payee, the dollar amounts, and purpose were read into the October 14, 2024 minutes, Director Long seconded. Motion carried.

Aquatic Control— Aquatic Control representative, Melina Ryan, presented the Board with the 2024 Bass Lake Permit Summary.

Farm Lease—One sealed bid was received from Black Gold Farms and presented to the Board from Attorney Bartholomew. After some discussion, Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to temporarily approve the proposal and will finalize at the next meeting, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried.

5840 S 600 E—The homeowner at 5840 S 600 E is selling this property and the separate hookup line needs to be put in. After some discussion it was decided that the homeowner would need to pay the hookup fee and have the new line installed. This decision was based on the Ordinance in place.

5373 S SR 10—Plant Manager Jordan let the Board know that the homeowner is adding an addition to the detached garage that will be hooked up to our system. After some discussion Director Blais made a motion that based on the Ordinance in place that the homeowner would have to pay a new hookup fee and the monthly fee, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Plant Manager’s Report—Plant Manager Jordan reported that there was 1.41 inches of precipitation for September, the lake pump pumped 31.0 million gallons into the lake. Plant Manager Jordan said there are no updates on the generators yet. Plant Manager Jordan stated that we have been reimbursed from Surf. Plant Manager Jordan stated up to 10 lines would need to be videoed where Surf internet was installed under paved driveways to make sure there was no damage.

District Office Coordinator’s Comments—Office Coordinator Dillner stated that prelien letters went out and a report would be given with more details in November. Office Coordinator Dillner mentioned that the annual meeting with DNR and Aquatic Control will be held at the BLCD office on October 23 with Director Broadstreet and Director Blais attending as well as office staff.

Attorney's Comments—Nothing additional to add.

Comments from the Board—Nothing additional to add.

Comments from the Audience— Nothing additional to add.

Adjournment-- Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried. The next meeting will be November 11, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the BLPOA building.