

Bass Lake Conservancy District Meeting June 12, 2023

AGENDA:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Minutes
- Financial Report
- Bills
- March Minutes Correction
- 5308 E Hill St
- 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 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 May 8, 2023 meeting, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Financials – Chairman Gene Novello presented the May financial report. The fund balances exceed the minimum reserve requirements by \$2,498,015 and the total receipts have exceeded the total expenditures to date by \$68,657. Unmetered collections are over budget by \$9,738. Total operating expenditures are under budget by \$121,398. Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the financial report from May 2023, Director Long seconded. Motion carried.

Bills to be paid:

NIPSCO	\$	117.90	Monthly plant		
NIPSCO	\$	660.19	Monthly lift stations		
NIPSCO	\$	1,451.08	Monthly lake pump		
Brightspeed	\$	192.27	Phone service		
TCU Credit Card	\$	1,787.87	Monthly credit card		
TCU Invoice	\$	122.65	Monthly bank fees		
PrimePay-Payroll	\$	6,057.52	Bi-weekly payroll – 5/1/2023 – 5/14/2023		
PrimePay-Payroll	\$	6,253.43	Bi-weekly payroll – 5/15/2023 – 5/28/2023		
*\$100 for Melissa Long for director pay for 1 meeting					

PrimePay-Invoice	\$ 178.71	Monthly service charges
HWC	\$ 258.00	Monthly computer fee
Baker Tilly	\$ 1,950.00	Monthly accounting fee
Baker Tilly	\$ 3,102.36	Asset management plan
Indiana 811	\$ 46.55	Monthly locates-april
Indiana 811	\$ 65.55	Monthly locates-may
Northern IN Wildlife	\$ 300.00	Monthly trapper fee
HML	\$ 40.00	Monthly E-coli test
Joyce Siragusa	\$ 238.70	Sold home with credit
Terry Truck Equipment	\$ 474.18	Truck crane
Flow Tech	\$ 605.00	J liftstation #1 VFD
Flow Tech	\$ 2,950.00	Inspection of all liftstations
The Blacktop Guy	\$ 1,200.00	Clean & seal asphalt at plant
Proscapes Unlimited	\$ 2,750.00	Annual weed around lagoons & fence
Accident Fund Ins	\$ 1,243.00	Workers comp insurance

Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the bills as presented noting each payee, the dollar amounts, and purpose were read into the June 12, 2023 minutes, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried.

March Minutes Correction—Corrections had been made to the March 2023 minutes. Director Blais made a motion to approve the corrected March 2023 minutes, Vice Chairman Collura seconded. Motion carried.

5308 E Hill St—Plant Manager Jordan let the Board know that an RV located at 5308 E Hill St had been connected to our system. After the discovery and discussion, it was agreed that it was not allowed and requested the homeowner to disconnect. Attorney Bartholomew will send a letter to the homeowner.

Plant Manager's Report—Plant Manager Jordan reported that there was 3.01 inches of precipitation for May and the lake pump pumped 31.0 million gallons into the lake. Plant Manager Jordan stated that research is being done to adjust the rate ordinance to include all that are hooked to the system. Attorney Bartholomew is going to investigate it. The lake level is 7.5 inches below normal at the public launch.

District Office Coordinator's Comments—Office Coordinator Dillner stated that 30 liens have been paid off from Spring taxes for a total of \$5,130.22.

Attorney's Comments— Attorney Bartholomew stated that the notice for the 2023 elections has been published. Attorney Bartholomew presented the Board Ordinance 23-01 (An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 96-2 and Policy 96-1 to Prohibit the Unauthorized Connection of Recreational Vehicles to Building Sanitary Sewers) to be approved and signed. Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-01, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried. Attorney Bartholomew stated that he would get Ordinance 23-01 published.

Comments from the Board—Director Broadstreet stated that Aquatic Control would treat weeds June 14, 2023. Director Blais discussed how overgrown the weir is and Director Broadstreet said he would reach out to DNR to see when they would be out to take care if it.

Comments from the Audience—The audience member William Oliver asked if any studies have been done on the neighboring pumps and wells since the one done in 2005. It was confirmed that there has not been any since. Homeowner Mary Topelian discussed with the Board the utility easement to make sure the port a potty for the Bass Lake Festival is in the correct location.

Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried. The next meeting will be July 1, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the BLPOA building for the regularly scheduled meeting and annual meeting.