



Bass Lake Conservancy District Meeting

July 1, 2023

AGENDA:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Minutes
- Financial Report
- Bills
- 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 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT:	Chairman Gene Novello	Director Melissa Long
	Vice Chairman Larry Collura	Plant Manager Tom Jordan
	Director Jerry Broadstreet	
	Director Russ Blais	Attorney Christian Bartholomew

ABSENT: District Office Coordinator Tabitha Dillner

Minutes – The reading of the minutes from the meeting was waived and Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2023 meeting, Director Broadstreet seconded. Motion carried.

Financials – Chairman Gene Novello stated that June and July financials would be presented at the August meeting.

Bills to be paid:

NIPSCO	\$ 135.55	Monthly plant
NIPSCO	\$ 778.19	Monthly lift stations
NIPSCO	\$ 1,545.98	Monthly lake pump
Brightspeed	\$ 193.13	Phone service
PrimePay-Payroll	\$ 6,158.55	Bi-weekly payroll – 5/29/2023 – 6/11/2023
PrimePay-Payroll	\$ 6,133.45	Bi-weekly payroll – 6/12/2023 – 6/25/2023
		*\$600 for Larry Collura for director pay for 6 meetings
		*\$100 for Melissa Long for director pay for 1 meeting
HWC	\$ 258.00	Monthly computer fee
HML	\$ 40.00	Monthly E-coli test
Haskins	\$ 6,159.25	J liftstation grinder installed
Aquatic Control	\$ 35,455.65	Annual weed treatment-\$5,000 reimbursed w/ grant

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.

Plant Manager's Report—Plant Manager Jordan reported that there was 2.65 inches of precipitation for June and the lake pump pumped 32.0 million gallons into the lake. The lake level is 7.5 inches below normal at the public launch. Plant Manager Jordan stated that he attended the Starke County BZA meeting, and they stated that campers are not allowed to hookup to the BLCD system for dumping. They also need a 3-day permit that must be posted in the camper window so it can be seen from the road.

District Office Coordinator's Comments—Office Coordinator Dillner was absent.

Attorney's Comments—Attorney Bartholomew stated that his office sent the homeowner on Hill St. a violation letter after the Ordinance passed last month that he was not allowed to hook his camper up to the BLCD system. And that he had until today (July 1) to fix the situation which the homeowner did call the attorney's office (June 30) and said he had fixed it. Attorney Bartholomew informed the Board that he did research on the Purdue issue of discharging into the lake instead of hooking up to our system like they were supposed to have done. The next course of action is Attorney Bartholomew will send them a default letter stating that they have not met the terms of the agreement to hookup to the BLCD system to get the dialog moving. Attorney Bartholomew stated that he would have that out before the next meeting.

Comments from the Board—The Board had nothing additional to add.

Comments from the Audience—A homeowner wondered how effective the weed treatment was that took place June 14, 2023. Director Broadstreet stated that it was confirmed that it was 99% effective.

Vice Chairman Collura made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Director Blais seconded. Motion carried. The next meeting will be August 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the BLPOA building for the regularly scheduled meeting.