

LITTLE WALNUT CREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

MINUTES –July 5, 2017

The Little Walnut Creek Conservancy Board of Directors met July 5, 2017, at 12:00 Noon at the District's office at the Glenn Flint Lake Boat Ramp, Greencastle, Indiana.

Directors Present: David Lane, Kenny Davis, Michael Dean, and Steve Stamper

Directors Not Present: Ken Spence

Also Attending: Kathy Deer, Administrative and Financial Secretary; Mike Wilson, Judy Hasting, Jeff Patterson, Others.

The board met in executive session beginning at 11:30 a.m. to work out details of the employment agreement. In regular session, Mike Dean moved to approve the "Agreement for Lake Area Manager" with an effective date of July 1, 2017, for Mike Wilson as a seasonal employee with additional hours outside the season as needed. Kenny Davis seconded. Vote unanimous.

Kenny Davis moved that the minutes of the June 2017, meeting be approved. Mike Dean seconded. Vote unanimous.

Kathy Deer reviewed the financial report for the period ending June 30, 2017. Kenny Davis moved the claims be allowed as listed on the Register of Claims dated June 8 through July 5, 2017. Steve Stamper seconded. Vote unanimous.

The board directed that the electric be shut off at the DePauw building. With no progress on the pontoon boat and the door having been found open and the lights on, Mike Dean moved to authorize Mike Wilson to move the pontoon boat from the barn and obtain an estimate on what it will cost to get the boat fixed. Steve Stamper seconded. Vote unanimous.

Mike Wilson reported that inmates from the county jail have worked two days on clearing brush on the district's shoreline. The brush has been hauled beyond the gate and burned with more brush now on the pile. This fall the inmates will be able to spend more time at the boat ramp. Mike Dean recommended a carbide chain for the saw and he agreed to check on the government price for a pole saw. Baker's will be returning to pump out the holding pit and repair the pump which is expected to cost between \$1,500 and \$2,000. The board took no action regarding the purchase of a small tractor, loader, backhoe but would consider the possibility of renting equipment once it is determined how many days it would be needed and the cost. The board requested a cost estimate for a flag pole to be placed at the boat ramp.

By phone, Victoria Lacovetto of VenTek talked to the board and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation on their product. A refined cost estimate will be presented to the board based on the options they chose.

Mike Dean moved to approve the Additional Appropriation Resolution for \$28,000 with the funds to be transferred from the Cumulative Maintenance Fund. David Lane reported he had talked to a couple of taxpayers by phone and explained that it would not result in an increased tax rate since the funds were on hand. Steve Stamper seconded. Vote unanimous.

Kenny Davis moved to approve that an additional light at the boat ramp maintained by Parke County REMC be turned on. Mike Dean seconded. Vote unanimous. A cost estimate to install a light for the south side of the boat ramp is to be obtained from Parke County REMC also.

Kathy Deer provided a written report. The July rent has not yet been received. A blanket sales tax exemption for utility service was received from the IN Dept. of Revenue and was provided to Parke County REMC. Williams Construction completed the replacement of the fiberglass panels and installed the new storm door. A seasonal determination has not yet been received from the IN Dept. of Workforce Development. The draft agreement for the lake area manager based on an hourly salary was emailed to the board prior to the meeting. Lake Income as of 6/30/2017 is \$22,555 which is \$2,521 more than this time last year. The rough draft of the fishery survey completed by the IDNR is being

reviewed and will be forwarded to the district upon approval. It is not likely the fish renovation will be completed in the fall of 2018. The board agreed to advertise the proposed 2018 budget at the maximum, with hearing on September 6 and adoption at the October 4 regular meeting.

Jeff Patterson reported a problem with a dock. Mike Wilson stated that he had looked at the situation and that the stairs and dock were in front of Mr. Patterson's property. The dock master is on an adjacent property but does not have direct access to the dock without Mr. Patterson's permission. The board directed that the person who had paid the dock fees be refunded what was paid and notified by certified letter that they are not eligible to be dock master nor can they rent slips to other people who have no access without crossing Mr. Patterson's property. Mike Dean and Kathy Deer visited the dock in question after the meeting and found the dock in disrepair. Mr. Patterson stated he is willing to be the dock master and will maintain the dock and stairs.

The next regular of the board will be at 12 Noon on August 2, 2017, at the **Glenn Flint Lake boat ramp office**. The board plans to meeting at the library during the winter months.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Chairman



Secretary