



**VALPARAISO LAKES AREA CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES**

December 18, 2024

**BOARD OF
DIRECTORS**

Chairman

Christian Anderson

Vice-Chairman

Kyle Hauber

Members

Connie Hughes

Walt Breitingner

Michael Cantieri

Richard Tegt

Chad Kuehl

CONSULTANTS

General Manager

Alicia Barber

Financial Secretary

Dale Brewer

Attorney

David Hollenbeck

The Board of Directors of the Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District met in the Valparaiso Lakes Area Conservancy District Board Room at 1805 Burlington Beach Road, Valparaiso, Indiana on December 18, 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Board members present included Christian Anderson, Kyle Hauber, Connie Hughes, Walt Breitingner, Michael Cantieri, Richard Tegt and Chad Kuehl. Consultants present included Alicia Barber, Dale Brewer, David Hollenbeck, and Jacob Ballah of BF&S.

Chairman Christian Anderson called the board meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

- Connie made a motion to approve minutes from November 20, 2024. Richard requested the minutes be amended with a correction. Mike seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote with the amendment.

Approval of Claims

- Kyle made a motion to approve claims. Richard asked about claims for Kettle Lake Project. Dale explained it was budgeted for 2024 budget because VLACD is restricted to appropriations. Walt seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote.

Dales Principal Bond

- Kyle made a motion to approve Dale's principal bond. Connie seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote.

HSA Employer Contribution. Single 750/Family 1500

- Chad made a motion to approve the HSA Employer Contribution of \$750 for single and \$1500 for a family. Mike seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous vote.

Reports from Standing Committees

- Personnel-Kyle Hauber – Nothing to report
- Insurance- Michael Cantieri - Nothing to report
- Stormwater-Walt Breitingner – Walt spoke about methods he's been studying to control Eurasian Milfoil
- Public Liaison- Connie Hughes – Nothing to report
- Strategic Planning- Connie Hughes – Nothing to report
- Engineering- Richard Tegt – Richard mentioned that utilities were at a \$6000 deficit.

General Managers Report

- Alicia read the Notice of Annual Meeting and Election
- Alicia mentioned Dave said he would get the freeholders list from Meridian Title and she instructed him to make sure it was certified by the county auditors office. Dave met with the deputy auditor and explained the process is easier now and they can have the list back within 10 days. Dave will get the list from the auditor and not Meridian Title.
- Alicia showed the board the ballot, envelopes, and letter to freeholders. Richard asked about postage, the election judges process, and early voting.
- Alicia asked Jacob if H&G contacted him about a storm drain. Jacob said yes, they spoke and H&Gs start date is after ordered materials arrive.

Attorneys Report

- Dave informed that the Kingsridge Pond residents will likely be conveyed the pond undivided. Dave has been told he needs those property owner's deeds to accomplish this plan. Alicia asked if by January's meeting Dave will have a report and plan. Dave answered yes.
- Dave spoke about State Board of Accounts audits and the cost to be audited. As of January 1st, the State Board of Accounts have agreed to cut their bill in half.
- Dave spoke about the Public Access Counselors manual, specifically the use of it as it relates to members of the board.

Next Meeting: January 15, 2025



Attested by Alicia Barber, General Manager