

**SOUTH-WEST LAKE MAXINKUCKEE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 21,2021**

**Call to Order:** Recognition of the posting of Agenda in accordance with the Indiana Open Door Law and Quorum present. Motion was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

**Present:** John Crist, John Stimson, Jim Purucker, Jackie Smith, Hollie Schultz, and Tom Fujimura were present as board representatives. Also in the room was Kathy Clark, operations manager and acting secretary to the board. On the phone for part of the meeting was Rosy Oshry of O.W. Krohn & Associates to discuss financial reports. Rick George had a scheduled absence.

**Appointment to Board:** Tom Fujimura to Area 4 Representative approved unanimously after a motion from Purucker and a second from Stimson.

**Minutes:** The June 5<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved from a motion made by Purucker and seconded by Stimson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Operation Manager's Report:** Claims for the period between 6/1/21 to 8/1/21 were approved in the amount of \$52,366.39 from a motion made by Stimson with a second from Purucker. Motion passed unanimously.

As part of the Manager's report, a discussion took place around capping the amount to be paid in full when someone joins the District, either by purchasing a vacant lot that had not paid any EBA amount, or by joining the District and therefore having never paid an EBA, at \$10,830. This would be the full amount paid by each freeholder for the life of the bond principal and interest payments. This was approved from a motion made by Purucker and a second by Stimson. The entire Operations Manager report was approved by a motion made by Smith and a second made by Stimson. Both motions passed unanimously.

**Financial Reports:** Oshry spoke to the financials and had few comments to make regarding concerns of issuing a credit to freeholders based on 2020 income. Crist wants a credit issuance discussion put on the agenda for the October 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting for a final decision. Clark will send out a list of those freeholders who qualify, i. e. all payments made on time, all payments paid for the full 2020 year. Financial reports were accepted from a motion made by Stimson and seconded by Fujimura.

**New Business:** Resolution #2021-0821-1, Policy on Electronic Participation in Meetings was presented for discussion and approval. A motion to approve was made by Purucker and seconded by Stimson. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark next presented the billing situation regarding Jones Petrie Rafinski pulling out of their three-year contract, with one year remaining. Karen Heim has agreed to send out SW bills with a projected start in October. Crist requested a motion to allow him and Clark to finalize an agreement with First National Bank of Monterey and a contract with Heim as soon as possible.

A motion from Purucker and a second from Stimson was made approving the request. Motion passed unanimously.

Oshry will enter the 2022 budget in Gateway and also the final approval expected at the October meeting. The proposed budget will be advertised on Gateway, per State statute, notifying everyone that a public hearing will take place October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the Culver Library. The budget was accepted as presented to the Board from a motion made by Purucker and seconded by Stimson. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark presented Lakeside Consulting LLC's contract for discussion, noting that the old contract expired in 2019. The request was for a new three-year contract with automatic COLA increases each year for a starting total of \$2,100. A subcommittee was formed consisting of Smith, Purucker, and Crist. This will be on the October agenda.

A **Motion to Adjourn** was made at 12:08 p.m. by Schultz and seconded by Stimson. Motion passed unanimously.