

Thursday, November 9, 2017 6:00 p.m. LNNLRCD Meeting

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance – Bill called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Board Members Present – Bill Winebaugh – President Andy Warcaba V. President

Joan Bonnamy – Secretary Anthony O'Brien – Member at Large

Board Members Absent – Ernie Richards – Member at Large

- II. Motion to Approve the Agenda Joan motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of Motion to approve the 2017 AFR to the Comptroller under New Business. Andy seconded the motion and the board approve it unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-17-01]
- III. Motion to Approve 10/12/17 & 10/12/17 Executive Session Minutes Joan motioned to approve the 10/12/17 minutes and Anthony seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-17-02] 10/12/17 Executive Session Minutes Tabled.
- **IV. Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report –** Joan motioned to approve the treasurer's report and Andy seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-17-03]
- V. Board Member Reports

A. Bill Winebaugh – Joe Rush Lake Survey – Bill described the fish shocking survey that Joe Rush performed that Ernie, Shawn Parish and he helped with. He said that it went well and he said he appreciated everyone's help.

Dock Removal – Bill asked if the rented docks were removed and Shawn said it was done. Shawn said that they were a little tricky to get out because the poles bent a little in their sleeves. One contributing factor was that some of the boat owners had tied their boats to the poles and that caused them to bend. Bill asked if there was anything that they can do to prevent that next year and Shawn said that they would put the poles lower so that they won't have as much to pull on and they would install boat tie-downs for boat owners to tie on to. Bill also suggested that they could put signage up asking them not to tie on to the posts. Shawn said that it was money well spent (on the new docks) because there was no damage to them and they saved a lot of money on maintenance.

- **B.** Andy Warcaba Schings Park Andy said that it looks like they are finally done with Schings Park and Shawn and Jeff are finishing up on the landscaping now. They have also cleared the weeds at Park Drive Park and the East Boat Landing.
- C. Joan Bonnamy West Entrance Wetland Project Joan said that last June they had budgeted improving the 1.4 acre (3 lots) of wetland area that the RCD owns near the west entrance. Rebecca gave them a proposal to help enhance that area and Joan spoke to Rebecca, who said that now would be the time to start prepping the area and do some tree removal. Part one of the proposal would involve assessing the existing conditions, prepare for native plant installation, stewardship, cost estimates, outline a schedule and review a plan with Shawn on what he could do. Part two of the proposal would include construction oversight during project implementation, after it has been completed, and be a consultant to manage the project. Joan talked to a woman who is a part of the Master Gardener program from the Univ. of Illinois and found that down the line, they may be able to use the project for their stewardship program and they would put it on their website and perhaps get some free labor. Joan motioned to approve retaining Rebecca Olson of OES to oversee the Native Wetland project at the West Entrance for \$5,150. Andy seconded the motion and the board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-17-04]

D. Anthony O'Brien – Anthony sat down with Becky to review the docks that were in disrepair to determine what the RCD felt needed to be fixed. Becky will compile that information and send notice to the dock owners. Bill thanked Anthony, Frank Durkin, and Shawn for their work on that.

VI. Old Business

A. Parking Lot – The plan that they are voting on would consider drainage and topography needs for phase one and a potential phase two, even though they are only planning on doing phase one because the engineer felt that it would be good to create a design that would work for both phases in case they ever wanted to add phase two in the future then they wouldn't have pay to reengineer it. Wes Jaros asked if the board has considered engineering also for the other green spaces such as the tennis court area and Andy said that they had an engineering opinion that it would take about \$35,000-\$50,000 to redo the tennis court. Wes said that he was more concerned, not with a cost estimate to redo it, but an engineering design to turn the court in the proper direction for play (right now it faces east/west and during players will have the sun in their eyes). If it was turned then the elevation of that area would have to be changed so he was wondering if they should consider that area in the design as well. Andy said that he hears what he is saying and they had considered that but he doesn't know if they would want to change the way that it is facing – if they were to change anything, it would probably be better to move it to the POA park at the east side where it would be consolidated with the other equipment there. Andy motioned to approve hiring Wendler Engineering to do the engineering and the construction plans for the LCC Parking Lot & roadway for \$5,250 and Anthony seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-17-05]

C. Security – Bill said that they have been working with the POA to obtain security and they met with a representative of the POA and two of the security officers in executive session at their last meeting. Becky said that Sue said that the POA had their executive session and they agreed to coordinate a meeting in which the POA and RCD could meet with Rick Sundberg of Grant Bullis, the POA's insurance agent. Now they just have to look security costs including insurance.

VII. New Business

A. Long Range Planning Committee – Andy said that they may look at forming a long range planning committee to discuss things such as the parking lot, dredging, infrastructure, and dock policy. Frank said that he felt that it wasn't the RCD's responsibility to take on the cost of the parking lot; that instead, they should be focusing on the lake and talking to the POA about covering the cost of infrastructure such as the community center parking lot. Bill said that he would like to start looking at forming a committee after the first of the year. They would be very aggressive about establishing committees to create a plan of action that will address long-term and short-term goals.

B. Motion to approve the 2017 AFR to the Comptroller- Andy read the motion into the record as follows:

LOST NATION-NEW LANDING RCD OF ILLINOIS VOTE TO APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 COMPTROLLER'S REPORT FOR #FY201707101014

Whereas, at their open meeting on November 9th, 2017, Rebecca Miller, the Treasurer of the Lost Nation-New Landing River Conservancy District of Illinois (LNNLRCD) submitted for the board's approval the FY2017 Annual Financial Report that she filed with the Illinois Comptroller.

and

Whereas, the board motioned and voted at that meeting to approve the report submitted by the Treasurer.

Dated the 9th day of November, 2017.

Joan motioned to approve the Annual Financial Report that Rebecca Miller filed with the IL Comptroller's office in October and Bill seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-17-06]

VIII. Guest Comments

Wes Jaros – Wes said that he disagrees with Frank on the POA being responsible for the upkeep of the building. - whether the RCD pays for the maintenance of the building or the POA does, it comes out of our pockets either way and he sees two advantages to the RCD maintaining ownership of the building. 1. The RCD doesn't pay taxes on the building. Frank interjected, saying that if you compare the estimated value of the LCC property the taxes would be about \$2,600 a year while the estimated value of the POA office is \$3,100 (so they would actually pay less in taxes if they owned the LCC). 2. The RCD as a public body can borrow money in different ways than the POA can that are very inexpensive so all of the capital expenditures that may need doing could be done in the vehicle that he outlined in his letter.

Carla Anderson – Carla said that there are still a lot of people that are very upset that they can't use the building and it has taken a long time for wounds to heal. The audience and board talked about their current improved relationship with the POA and moving forward in working together.

IX. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting – Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. and Andy seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-17-07]

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