

REGULAR MEETING

Pursuant of notice, Fred Buckingham, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m., December 12, 2024. Those in attendance: Fred Buckingham, Chairman; Ryan Heathco, Director; Beverly Matthews, Vice Chairman, Micah Sarabyn, Project Manager; Lou Savka, Triad Associates; Angela Wirth, Secretary Finance Officer. Jennifer Hess, Council for the District, Steve Brock, Therber Brock & Associates, LLC; were not in attendance. Also, in attendance was Joey Fox, Lobbyist for the District.

Mr. Buckingham asked Mr. John Thurman, maintenance, to present the maintenance report. Mr. Thurman stated SLB had replaced 211 feet of PVC and Inliner had lined 2970 feet over the past month. Mr. Thurman also stated that Triad representative Darrin Garrett smoke tested 5226 feet of sewer line and Mr. Thurman completed 143 locates from 811. Mr. Buckingham mentioned that he and Mr. Heathco, had met and interviewed Mr. Brandon Cook who will be joining Mr. Thurman on the maintenance staff. Both Ms. Wirth and Ms. Sarabyn have known Mr. Cook for several years from the Alliance Conferences and he was the District's representative for the Silversmith Software (utilities software). Ms. Matthews had previously met Mr. Cook at the conferences as well.

Mr. Buckingham welcomed Mr. Joey Fox and requested that he discuss his intentions to serve the District in 2025. Mr. Fox introduced himself to the Board and discussed what his role as a lobbyist for the District over the past year and last legislative session entailed. Mr. Fox stated part of his role is to maintain relationships with the Chair of the House, he utilizes space for an office at the Columbia Club and works alongside other members of utilities and legislators so they will know of the Districts' existence.

Mr. Fox pointed out there is language that shows up in bills especially regarding Conservancy Districts and he assists in monitoring all bills and amendments that may be presented on the floor. He then will send anything of importance or relating to the District to Jen Hess, council for the District to review. Mr. Fox met with Dave Hall, Vice Chair of House Utilities. Mr. Fox also mentioned Wabash Valley and Mr. Bart Gessler who oversees this conservancy. Mr. Fox stated that under the Holcomb administration, he had worked with Mr. Brian Rockenseuss of IDEM. Mr. Fox stated that under the Braun administration, there would be a smooth transition, however, the focus for this administration will be Energy and Health Care.

Ms. Matthews made a motion for approval of Mr. Fox's contract and for Mr. Fox to have authority to engage with all policy makers on behalf of the District. Mr. Heathco seconded the motion and Mr. Buckingham approved. Motion passed. Mr. Fox mentioned a January 2025 Alliance Meet and Greet with legislators. Mr. Fox is here to help develop proactive relations and encouraged the Board to do the same. Mr. Buckingham thanked Mr. Fox and the board welcomed him to stay for the remainder of the Board Meeting.

Mr. Buckingham asked Mr. Savka, of Triad, to provide an update to the Board. Mr. Savka discussed the smoke testing that took place in the District that Triad provides and explained to the board it is Triad's and Inliners' desire to have the crossover connection go away. Mr. Savka stated there is an inlet "roadside" off of Ray Street (something about a storm sewer fix city) and Silversmith new obligations and the District being pro-active and a dollar amount of \$25,000 to \$5,000.

Mr. Savka also brought up Rochester and the problem with clay pipe in the older sections of the District. Mr. Savka discussed the longer-term solutions for the best results which is the lining project and there is approximately \$500,000 in contingency for any new changes necessary to the current SRF project. Mr. Savka and Ms. Sarabyn discussed the request of Mr. Nick Garcia who is building additional living quarters in his garage and does not want to pay the impact fee. The District stated he must pay the fee, and he is doing much more than adding a sink to his garage. It was also suggested that the District follow up to see if Mr. Garcia has permits from the City and that once his building is complete, that the District ensure Mr. Garcia is being charged the correct EDU's for the completed project.

Mr. Savka presented pay claim #8 in the amount of \$618,810.46. Mr. Savka also provided a Triad bill for payment in the amount of \$12,250.00. Ms. Wirth requested a motion to approve and pay. Mr. Heathco made a motion to approve the pay claim. Mrs. Matthews seconded the motion and Mr. Buckingham was also in agreement. Motion passed.

Mr. Heathco congratulated Ms. Wirth on the Trust Indiana account and the interest earned to date. It was suggested that the District come up with an "Analogy" for the freeholders to understand the AV Taxes. Ms. Wirth will follow up with Ms. Hess about the suggested the Lightbulb theory discussed at the previous board meeting.

Mr. Heathco mentioned a discussion with the new DPW director. Mr. Heathco updated the Board on the website and stated the employment position for maintenance person was still

posted. Mr. Buckingham asked Mr. Heathco to keep it posted. Mr. Heathco discussed posting year-end topics and attempting to keep the freeholders up to date.

Ms. Wirth read over the Financials in the absence of Mr. Brock. Ms. Wirth stated the monthly sewer user rate was going to stay at \$40.00 and the 2025 budget was adopted, approved, and submitted to the Indiana Gateway. Ms. Wirth read off the cash balances for the Checking, Savings and Construction Retainer accounts from Chase and stated the receivables looked good as of 11/30/2024. Ms. Wirth mentioned Trust Indiana was working great for the District with regard to the interest earned and that she will continue to move funds into the account as they become available.

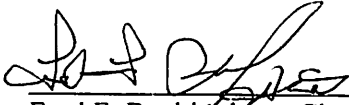
Mrs. Sarabyn collected \$33,244.43 from contract customers for October. The TRECS reporting is going well and has ended for the year on September 30, 2024. Micah will clean up all entries and start over in December 1, 2025 with a new batch of 120 days past due. Twenty-nine (29) Business Liens were filed in October. Mrs. Sarabyn spent a significant amount of time in September and October tracking Fiber Optic Companies for potential reimbursement for the District and customers whose laterals had been damaged by boring or insertion of underground utility lines and no one wants to claim responsibility. Ms. Sarabyn mentioned Seeds of Hope made their final payment to the District and are now paid in full for the impact fee. Mrs. Sarabyn also brought up the sink hole at Morris and it is the District's problem, and it will be fixed. Ms. Sarabyn also brought the latest newsletter that the residents are now receiving and credited Mr. Heathco for the design, layout, and set up of the newsletter that will go out quarterly. Ms. Sarabyn also mentioned CSU will be paying for and repairing the west Minnesota main line.

Mrs. Wirth reconciled the November Chase Bank and Bank 2 Accounts as well as the Trust Indiana Account. Mrs. Wirth has reports for the month of August providing interest earned and total monies collected. Payments continue to be made monthly on the 15th for the Principal and Interest to Pay Back BNY Mellon Bank for the SRF loan.

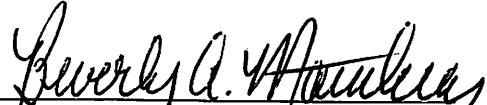
New Business of the District's 1960 ordinance and amendments will be worked on and presented to Jen Hess and the Board to ensure all language is up to date and any policy revisions are put in place for the future of the District.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Buckingham motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m. The next meeting of the Board of Directors is the 2024 year-end Annual Board Meeting which will take place on Monday, December 30th, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Ben Davis Conservancy District Board Room

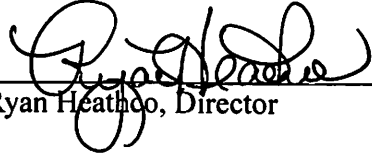
located at 703 South Tibbs Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46241.



Fred F. Buckingham, Chairman



Beverly A. Matthews, Vice Chairman



Ryan Heathco, Director

ATTEST:

Angela Wirth, Secretary