

BROWN COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

MONTHLY MEETING

April 9, 2019

Board Members Present: Mike Leggins, Clint Studabaker, Phil LeBlanc, Ben Gold, Debbie Larsh

6:04 pm Mike Leggins, President, called meeting to order.

6:06 pm Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary Debbie Larsh asked to have a motion to approve March 12 minutes that all board members had emailed to them. Clint motioned to approve minutes as submitted. Phil 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Report:

Phil reported that as of 3/29/2019 Balance of account: \$227,570.07

Invoices : Ladd Engineering,\$30,030.29, Business checks for the boards account: \$133.75, \$690.00

Attorney John Reames, \$50.00 IRSD membership, all approved in March meeting.

New invoiced: Ladd Engineering \$10,096.77, (4/1/19), \$4,696.80(12/3/18), Attorney John Reames \$1,090.00(\$1,030.00, cost to comply to Tim Clark's requests),office expense: files, file box and stamps,\$85.54. Clint motioned to approve office expenses, Debbie 2nd motion approved unanimously. Clint motioned to approve attorney fee of \$1,090.00, Debbie 2nd, no discussion, motion approved unanimously. Clint motioned to approve Ladd Engineering invoices, \$14,793.57, Debbie 2nd, motion unanimously approved without discussion.

Gary Ladd informed board that the SAMS issue was now completed and in good standing for another year.

Phil checked with Steve Brock (Brock and Associates) per tax filing. Need state only, Vicki Perry (RCAP) will follow up with Mr. Brock. Phil will keep in touch with both Steve and Vicki for answers to the filing question.

Old Business:

Ben Gold: Bylaws update: working with Vicki and will try to have first revision soon and a final draft by the May 14th meeting.

Clint updated board per the RAP and the ROI grants. Applications are in final stages and should make first deadline. He will have updates by May Meeting.

Web page update: Ben is working to get all the data loaded into the web, pictures, wording, general information. He hopes to have some on the web page by May meeting.

New Business:

Water Sampling Update:

John Kennard, BCHD, Starting to do the sampling of water shed and lakes in the area for E.coli. Indiana State lab has agreed to do the testing at no cost to the county or this board. Origin of the E.coli needs to be discovered. Health department concerned of what level of contamination there is to the water table

in Brown County. The state will also be testing for lead, magnesium, opioids, and chemo therapy residue levels. All samples collected must be in the lab within 6 hours to be tested. Hopefully, the results will be put on our web page when available.

Ladd Engineering: Copy of his report is attached to the minutes.

His office has sent out a majority of the homeowner letters that include questions and a plat map to ask homeowners to place where their current septic tank(s) are located. There are still some property owners that will need more clarification before he can send their letters.

Clint asked Mr. Ladd for an updated cost estimate and Gary hoped to have them soon.

Clint suggested we get on Brock and Associates schedule soon.

The BCRSD is still considering land acquisition in the Beanblossom area, and may need to meet in executive session with updates from several possibilities in and around Beanblossom. No Date has been set at the time of this meeting.

Phil attended a combined sewer district meeting with Helmsburg, Gnawbone , Nashville . Nashville expressed 3 main issues for their plant: Infiltration, flow, and plant expansion.

Gnawbone: Update system, rate study for profitability. At this time, the board does the daily maintenance to keep cost down.

Helmsburg: High customer bills, utilize their capacity.

6:53 pm Audience

Bill Austin provided information that he had put together for consideration. This was handed out to everyone in attendance.

John Kennard gave his calculations as to how much flow Helmsburg could take at this time and it was about 39 additional homes. Not enough even for just Beanblossom's flow.

Most all other questions were answered with the many brochures provided by RCAP.

Cost to hook on to the sewer is always a concern, and Clint explained what the homeowner will be responsible for, which is electricity from pump to home, should we use grinder pumps.

More discussion on the fact that there are water and electrical lines already in existence with easements, there still seems to be some concern as to easements being allowed.

7:38 pm Clint motioned to Adjourn, Mike 2nd, motion passed by all board members.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Larsh, Secretary

