LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Special Board Meeting Tuesday, June 26, 2018

Minutes

1. Call meeting to order, verify compliance with the Open Meeting Law

Ecklund called the meeting to order at 11:50 am. Keegstra confirmed that the agenda was posted at the normal three locations.

2. Roll Call

Present: Walters, Burke, Keegstra, Ecklund, and Choroszy. Absent: Demaskie and Dietz. Others: Jim Mercier, Brad Horner, Chuck and Marilyn Kagel, Don Haasl, Richard Fish, Cary Dudczak, Dave Pfefferle, Al Baade, Heidi Geils.

3. Approval of Agenda

Choroszy moved approval of the agenda; seconded by Burke. Motion approved.

4. Decision regarding a venue for the August 4, 2018 annual meeting

Brad Horner reviewed the pros and cons of the three locations under consideration: La Valle Town Hall equipment bay, Webb Middle School gymnasium, and Mauston High School auditorium. Major cons of the first two were lack of air conditioning, limited parking, and the need to rent AV equipment (and possibly chairs). Major con of the Mauston High School was the distance to the location. Major pros of the first two were proximity to Lake Redstone and familiarity. Major pros of Mauston was the comfortable seating, the availability of AV equipment and ample parking. Keegstra moved that the meeting should be held at the Mauston High School; seconded by Choroszy. The motion was approved. A request was made to provide an explanation for using this location, along with a map of its location in the annual meeting notice.

5. Logistics of annual meeting

a. Identification of volunteers to assist with annual meeting check in

The voting process that has been established and approved by the board anticipates that five check-in locations will be needed. Assuming that two volunteers will be needed at each location, at least 10 volunteers will be needed to operate the check-in process. Tom Walters volunteered to organize the volunteers needed. Chuck Kagel volunteered to help with the process. It is likely that a training session will be needed on Friday, August 3. The expectation is that our attorney, Anders Helquist, will be present to resolve disputes regarding voting eligibility. Glenn will check to make sure he is available.

b. Sequence of items for annual meeting agenda

Keegstra presented a draft agenda for the annual meeting with a different sequence of activities than has been used in the past. Following an extended discussion, changes were made to this draft. The major change was to shorten the presentation and hold the discussion after a motion to adopt the resolution presented by the board was made and seconded. Another draft will be presented at the next meeting for final approval by the board.

Choroszy will prepare two versions of the proposed 2019 budget. One will be similar to the 2018 budget and will assume that dredging will not happen. The second will assume that the dredging proposal is approved and will include funds to make the principal and interest payment on the loan that will be used to pay the dredging costs.

c. Discussion of format for ballot questions at annual meeting

Based on the recommendation of our attorney, the board considered that the dredging recommendation from the board should come in the form of a resolution. He will help us draft a resolution similar to the one proposed by Dick Fish.

d. Topics and persons for presentation

It was proposed that any presentation should be short and focused on new issues. The plan is that the presentation will explain the recommendation of the board, give the reasons for the recommendation and explain its cost. Tom Walters agreed to make the presentation. He requested that the board help create and approve the presentation.

e. Format and length for comments session

Several options were considered for taking input from district residents, including a comments session or a Q&A session. The final conclusion was that it would be best to have comments as part of the "discussion" after a motion to approve the resolution was made and seconded. There was agreement that the time for "discussion" should be limited, but there was not agreement on the appropriate length. Some argued for a 15-minute discussion period, while others argued that it should be longer.

f. Target date for mailing annual meeting notice and other documentsThe mailing will be printed and sent as soon as possible after the July 10th board meeting. If the mailing is sent on July 11 or 12, it will be received by district residents about three weeks before the August 4th annual meeting

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm.

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