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MONTHLY MEETING September 17, 2024

- **1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER -** Chairman Webb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Rochester Village Hall. Commissioners present were Doug Webb, Joseph Kolosso, Shelley Hildebrandt, John Lutz, Nick Ahlers and Sharon Travis. One District resident was also in attendance.
- **2.0 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES August 20, 2024** Chairman Webb asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the August 20, 2024 meeting, which had been previously presented to the commissioners. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Commissioner Ahlers, seconded by Commissioner Kolosso and carried. Commissioner Travis noted that the date for the next meeting (October 15, 2023) was incorrect on the September meeting Agenda.
- **3.0 APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT August 2024** The treasurer's August 2024 report was read, and Chairman Webb asked if there were any corrections. No corrections were noted and a motion to approve the treasurers report as read was made Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Ahlers and carried.

4.0 REPORTS

- **4.1 Dam Structures/Dikes** Weeds by the dam will be cut this fall.
- **4.2 Roads and ROWs** Commissioner Lutz reported that the "No Parking" sign and post across from the north beach is missing. The road name signs and posts for the intersection of Pine & Grove and the intersection of Euclid and County Line have also been stolen. Josh will be contacted for a quote to replace these signs and posts. A motion to approve the quote for sign installation if it is at the same cost as previously was made by Commissioner Lutz, seconded by Commissioner Travis and carried.
- 4.3 Beaches/Parks/Trees The contractor reseeded the park and A&A Outdoor Services disposed of the District brush pile.
- **4.4 Lakes** Commissioner Hildebrandt presented the board with a list of the various grants available through the DNR's Surface Water Grant program. Dredging is not an approved action; however, several other activities that the District performs may be eligible and further research will be performed. In addition to being discussed with residents at the Annual Meeting, Chairman Webb may contact additional residents with longer shorelines to solicit their opinions of a potential dredging project and its costs.

The water levels in Honey Lake may be drawn down early this year for the berm restoration project.

4.5 Town/Village/County News –Commissioner Lutz reported that the ATV/UTV ordinance in the Town of Spring Prairie passed as proposed. The Town chairman noted that ATVs and UTVs are not required to have insurance, which poses a significant financial risk to other drivers and pedestrians, and potentially to homeowners. The use of salt brine and sand on Town roads was discussed. The Town is considering providing benefits to its full and part time employees. Mr. Jeff Siegler was appointed as the new road commissioner and he will be having tree trimming and gravel placement done on Town roads.

5.0 UNRESOLVED BUSINESS

- **5.1 Discuss 2024/2025 East Berm Restoration Project** —Commissioner Hildebrandt indicated that an Endangered Species Review for this project had been renewed by the DNR. A response to the Chapter 30 Exemption Request has not yet been received. Chairman Webb presented the bid document for the 2024-2025 berm restoration project.
- **5.2 Discuss schedule for repair of County Line Boulevard** Commissioner Webb indicated that the contractor for the repairing project to be performed on County Line Boulevard, between Buena and Ravine, is scheduled to start October 1, 2024. Commissioner Kolosso will have a pre-job meeting with the contractor to discuss project preparation and details. Letters of notification were sent to the homeowners that would be directly affected by this project. Some regrading of the right-of-way may be needed to improve drainage.
- **5.3 Discuss schedule for tree trimming for emergency vehicles** Commissioner Webb indicated that the contractor for this District wide project is scheduled to start October 7, 2024. Since it was recommended by the arborist that some trees be trimmed back to their trunks, postcards

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informing the residents of this and giving them the option to not have their trees trimmed beyond the right-of-way are being sent to all District residents.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.1– District Banking – Currently the District has its financial accounts with Chase Bank; however, the interest received has been very low, the treasurer has had some issues with their service and there are no branches in the immediate area. Therefore, Commissioner Kolosso met with a representative of BMO Harris Bank and indicated that he would prefer the services of BMO Harris Bank. A motion to approve the transfer of District banking services from Chase to BMO Harris Bank was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Lutz and carried.

7.0 MONTHLY BILLS	SEPTEMBER BILLS SUBMITTED AS FOLLOWS	
Doug Webb	Commissioner compensation	\$250.00
Shelley Hildebrandt	Commissioner compensation	\$250.00
Joseph Kolosso	Commissioner compensation	\$250.00
John Lutz	Commissioner compensation	\$100.00
Nick Ahlers	Commissioner compensation	\$100.00
Cutting Edge Lawn Maint. & Landscaping	Mowing / Trimming 8/2, 8/23 @ \$190 ea Beaches/Parks/Trees	\$380.00
Southern Lakes Newspapers, LLC	Legal Ad for Annual Meeting Notice Miscellaneous	\$26.90
A&A Outdoor Services	Remove District brush pile Beaches/Parks/Trees	\$1,160.00
Doug Webb-Reimbursement	Printer Ink Office Supplies/Mailings	\$83.84
Shelley Hildebrandt-Reimbursement	Adobe Software Office Supplies/Mailings	\$12.99
	Reinemans-2 Padlocks & Keys	\$31.95
	Menards – Hasp	\$8.99
	Post Office-Honey Lake August water sample	\$48.45
	Beaches/Parks/Trees	

A motion to approve the monthly bills was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Lutz, and carried unanimously.

The following employee time sheets were submitted for approval: August 19 to Sept. 14; 22.5 hours. A motion to approve the employee time sheets was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Ahlers, and carried unanimously.

8.0 PUBLIC COMMENT - The local resident in attendance expressed concern regarding possible lawsuits related to the potential dredging project, as well as finding suitable locations for the dredge spoils.

9.0 ADJOURN (Next monthly meeting October 15, 2024)

A motion to adjourn, subject to recall, was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Ahlers, and carried at 8:01 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Hildebrandt

Secretary