

Wells County Regional Sewer District

Regular Meeting Minutes

Subject	Wells Co. RSD	Date	November 19, 2012
Facilitator		Time	6: 30 P.M.
Location	Wells County Carnegie Annex Washington St., Bluffton	Scribe	
Attendees	Wells County RSD Board Members: Leon Berning (Treasurer), Lee VonGunten (President), Makaye Conrad (Vice President), DLZ Engineers – Diana Toth; (see attached sign-in sheets)		

Key Points of Discussion		
No.	Topic	Highlights
1.	Call Regular Meeting to Order	Lee VonGunten called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, and lead prayer and Pledge of Allegiance
2.	Roll Call – Board Members	Lee VonGunten; C. Scott Mossburg- absent; Leon Berning; Makaye Conrad
3.	Approval of Meeting Minutes from Previous Meetings	No meeting minutes were available to read and approve. Lee V. noted that this should change in future.
4.	DLZ: Diana Toth reported on PER and ER	The PER and ER documents have been revised based on comments received from USDA Rural Development. Revised documents have been submitted to USDA RD and they can be accessed on the DLZ ftp site. The user rates as estimated by Umbaugh in Feb. 2012 have not been updated. No need for this to be done.
5.	Sampling Committee	No one was present from the sampling committee to report on activities.
6.	Attorney for RSD	Lee V noted that no action has been taken to contact Dale Arnett or Andy Boxberger, both attorneys who attended the IRSD Assoc. annual meeting. Makaye volunteered to draft a proposal requesting qualifications and fee rates of prospective attorney for the WCRSD. Concerns were voiced that an attorney should be appointed before any financial decisions were made by the WCRSD.
7.	Indiana Regional Sewer District Association Annual Conference	Held on Oct. 29, 2012 in Carmel IN. Lee V and Makaye C attended. Met other RSD members, vendors and legal firms. Much discussion on HB 1117 which legislator continue to refine.
8.	Ben Adams – Engineer for City of Bluffton	Reported on City’s capacity to accept wastewater flow from the M/P area. There are downstream issues during

		wet weather that cause backups. The current user rate for the M/P area is \$48.35 per month. The revised PER reflects this rate. Ben Adams agreed to give an update at the January WCRSD meeting.
9.	Dollars Expensed on the M/P project	2011-2012 to DLZ: \$48,565.93 H.J. Umbaugh (2 rate studies): \$4,172.50 Wells Co. Library: \$180.00 General Insurance: \$2,578.00 Wells Co. Commissioners approved \$5,000 budget for WCRSD. Questions raised: What did it cost to establish the WCRSD? What does the General Insurance payment cover?
10.	Blake Gerber	Three Phase Project shared. Blake recommended that the M/P Project be stopped until Bluffton agrees to accept the M/P flow.
	Meeting Adjournment –	Adjourned at 8:00 pm
	Next Regular Board Meeting	6:30 P.M., Monday January 21, 2013 at Wells County Carnegie Annex

See more detailed report per Makaye Conrad's notes, attached.