

MINUTES

1. Call to order

A. The Trustees of Lake Asbury Municipal Service Benefit District (LAMSBD) met in the Lake Asbury Community Center, 282 Branscomb Road, on the above-stated date. Chairman McMillan called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

2. Roll/Quorum

A. The following trustees were present: Chairman McMillan, Treasurer Tom Petrucci, and Trustees Huggins, Newton, Cottrell, McCallister and Tyrie - a quorum of seven. Trustees absent: Trustees Parrish and Worley. Staff present: District Attorney Wayne Flowers and Secretary Melody Pickens. Staff absent Accountant Tom Hallquest.

3. Administrative Announcement:

A. Chairman McMillan gave the Administrative announcements.

4. Approval of Minutes

A. [A motion was made to approve the January 8, 2018 board meeting minutes by Trustee Tyrie and seconded by Trustee McCallister. Carried 7-0.](#)

5. Treasurer's Report

A. [Trustee McCallister moved to approve the February 5, 2018 Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Cottrell. Carried 7-0.](#) Treasurer Petrucci announced that Mary Ann Magers has completed her audit and will present her findings at the next meeting.

6. Approval of Checks

A. [Trustee Huggins made a motion to approve checks 3350-3352 \(3353 Void\), and 3355-3356. Seconded by Trustee Cottrell. Carried 7-0.](#) Trustee Huggins wants to review the work done by Raingod because the price they charged seemed high to him. He will walk the area with Chairman McMillan.

7. Staff Reports

A. **District Engineer**

1. Open position.

B. **Attorney Wayne Flowers**

C. **Secretary Melody Pickens**

1. Secretary Pickens notified the board that she would not be able to attend the June meeting. Chairman McMillan said that he will also be absent.

D. **Accountant Tom Halquest**

1. Absent.

8. Trustee Reports

A. **Chairman**

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1. Chairman McMillan will take Clay County Board Commissioner Hendry and the county engineer Dale Smith on a guided boat tour of Lake Asbury's fingers to point out problems. *Secretary note: Chairman McMillan left the meeting at 6:51 pm. Vice Chairman Tyrie stepped in. Chairman McMillan returned to the meeting at 6:53.*

2. Chairman McMillan noted that we need to find a qualified engineer to replace Mike Kelter. District Attorney Flowers told us that we need to define a scope work. The chair addressed Mr. Mike Bueme, an engineer who lives in the district. Mr. Bueme told the board that he has lived here 20 years. He did the dredging seven years ago. He is familiar with the lakes issues. He has been helping Mr. Kelter. He has worked with the Corps of Engineers. He will help us with permits and give us a discount. He said he could hit the ground running. The Chairman asked Mr. Bueme about restarting the Lake Ryan project. Mr. Bueme told him that we probably won't have to start from scratch. His firm has two CAD technicians, a junior engineer and as administrator. He will be hands-on. He said that Mike Kelter will give all of his documentation to Trustee Petrucci tomorrow.

3. Trustee Tyrie noted that the Lake Asbury East kettle (by the boat) ramp is solid

4. District Attorney Flowers that we can put out requests for qualifications for a new engineer. We need to define the scope of work. Treasurer Petrucci thought he had a copy. Mr. Carl Kocher, in the audience, says he thinks he has a copy of the last one. He said that there is also a copy on our website. Mr. Flowers said to bring the document to the next meeting for review and approval. He will help us get it out. Chairman McMillan said that we need to get the Lake Ryan spillway permit reactivated.

B. **Vice Chairman**

C. **Treasurer**

1. Treasurer Petrucci received a bill from Ameris bank for a safe deposit box opened by Larry Pitts and Cooper Murphy. He had received a bill from Ameris for a 2011 maintenance fee. Neither of them still live in the district.

2. Treasurer Petrucci has been meeting with FEMA frequently. He showed the board aerial photos of Hazelwood hole over time that showed the progression of sedimentation. He said that Mr. Kelter applied for FEMA grants three times. FEMA told him that they would only excavate sediment caused by Hurricane Irma. He asked the Chairman whether we should proceed or withdraw. Chairman McMillan said that we shouldn't start a dredging project that won't mitigate the cause of the sedimentation. **Trustee Huggins made a motion to stop the stop the process on the FEMA grant application for Hazelwood hole. Treasurer Petrucci seconded the motion. Carried 7-0.**

D. **Trustees**

9. **Unfinished Business**

A. Lake Ryan spillway project update. We do not have an engineer to provide an update.

B. Provide Hurricane Irma message stream. Mr. Kelter has not provided.

C. Provide instructions for opening valves. Trustee Huggins has been too busy.

10. **New Business**

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- A. Letter from Senator Bradley. Treasurer Petrucci said that received a phone call from a FEMA employee who told him they told him that he received and letter and a phone call from Senator Bradley's office about a resident complaining that LAMSBD ruined his bulkhead by raising the level of the lake. Chairman McMillan had heard that the complainant lived on Black Creek and believed that our opening the valves during the storm caused the flooding on Black Creek. Chairman McMillan suggested we wait for correspondence from Senator Bradley.
- B. Carolyn Wright, 959 Arthur Moore. Ms. Wright asked Chairman McMillan if he is talking to the County Commissioner Hendry about her problem. The Chairman told her that County Engineer Dale Smith says they are aware of it. He will report on it next meeting.
- C. Tim Phillips, 529 Fells Court. Mr. Phillips complained about a county pipe in his yard that is washing out his bulkhead. Chairman McMillan told him to notify Commissioner Hendry.
- D. Kay Manly, 420 Wesley Road. Asked about testing water quality on the lake. Trustee Huggins said it wasn't necessary because it would never pass. Secretary Pickens asked if it should be done to determine what the current quality is and whether it's safe to eat fish from the lake. Chairman McMillan talked about the procedure for doing a test on your own. Ms. Manly also brought up cleaning out sediment traps. They are supposed to be done every six months but haven't. Chairman McMillan will talk to the appropriate county personnel about that.

11. Adjournment: Chairman McMillan made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:43 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Tyrie. Carried 7-0.

Melody Pickens
District Secretary

Mark McMillan, Chairman