

**SOUTH HENRY REGIONAL WASTE DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING JANUARY 14, 2025
SHRWD OFFICE
4:30 P.M.**

According to the notice of this meeting, President Donna Tauber called the meeting to order. Board members who were present or absent were as follows:

Present: Donna Tauber, Lila Mondrush, Kathryn Irwin, Tyler Hellums, Dwight Barnes and Tom Conley

Absent: None

Tom Conley made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Lila Mondrush. Motion carried.

Kathy Irwin made the motion to approve the claims as submitted. This was seconded by Tyler Hellums. Motion carried.

The Board also reviewed and approved all final payments from December 2024 Claims Docket.

President Donna Tauber opened the floor for nomination of officers.

Kathy Irwin made motion to nominate Donna Tauber as President. Dwight Barnes seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Lila Mondrush made motion to nominate Tom Conley as Vice President. Kathy Irwin seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Kathy Irwin made the motion to nominated Lila Mondrush for Secretary. Dwight Barnes seconded this motion. Motion carried.

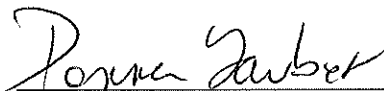
Dan Wright, FPBH recommended that we approach New Lisbon Broadband and Communications regarding the Maple St property in Straughn. He suggests we first ask ElectriCom if they will cover one-third of the cost to repair the sewer lateral. If ElectriCom agrees, we should then reach out to NLBC to see if they would match the contribution. In the event that ElectriCom declines to cover any of the repairs, we should negotiate with NLBC to determine if they would be willing to cover half of the cost instead. Dan also pointed out that he and Jon Madison have engaged in productive discussions regarding a strategic approach to securing an agreement with New Castle concerning the land at CR 400 S and SR 3. They strongly believe that proposing a modest royalty of 2% to 5% on any revenues generated from that property would be a fair and beneficial arrangement for the use of the land within our district but they have nothing in writing at this time.

Zach confirmed that the Emergency Response Plan has been successfully approved by IDEM. He has also revised the Sewer Use Ordinance per IDEM's recommendations and resubmitted it for final approval. Furthermore, he has applied for the Lab and Safety awards. Also, he thoroughly reviewed past audits to address any issues identified, ensuring we remain compliant and continuously improve. Additionally, he has been diligently working on updating the lift station panel information to enhance clarity and functionality at each individual lift station. He discovered that Buckeye Power Sales, our current generator maintenance provider, did not complete the major maintenance scheduled for 2024 as outlined in our agreement. He contacted them for clarification, and they have since rescheduled the maintenance for January 2025. In the interest of ensuring our equipment remains well-maintained, he suggested the possibility of an additional maintenance session this year. Furthermore, he mentioned that he may explore alternative service providers or consider the option of conducting maintenance in-house in the future to better meet our needs. Zach also reported a failure of pump #2 at the Spiceland lift station. He had Quality Repair remove the pump and is currently awaiting their evaluation of its condition to determine the cause of the failure.

After some discussion, the board decided to keep Ronnie Fultz to mow the Dunreith lift station, but Jon Madison advised that we prepare a written contract with him. The board granted Zach Hutchens approval to proceed with posting a job opening for a second maintenance technician as well.

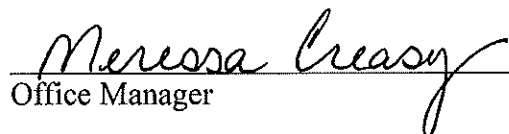
Additionally, the board also signed Meressa Creasy's bond, ensuring it can be properly recorded for the upcoming year. Furthermore, the board approved an updated salary ordinance. Dwight made the motion to accept this salary ordinance, and it was seconded by Tyler Hellums. Motion carried.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned.



President

ATTEST:



Office Manager