KINKAID-REED'S CREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING Wednesday, September 11, 2024

The Board of Trustees of the Kinkaid-Reed's Creek Conservancy District held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 11, 2024. Vice President Byrd called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at 1763 Water Plant Rd., Murphysboro, Illinois.

ROLL CALL:

Lisa Byrd Present
David Ardrey Present
Nate Westphal Present
Jay Ziegler Present
Greg Legan Absent
Tony Mileur Present
Mike Barone Absent

Also Present: Scott Wilmouth, Carrie Likins, Jim Pribble, Gary Raines and Lou Strack.

MINUTES: Approval of Board meeting minutes for August 14, 2024.

Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve the Board meeting minutes of August 14, 2024. Trustee Ardrey seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye." Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

Public Comment: None

KINKAID-REED'S CREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

OLD BUSINESS:

Conservancy Committee Report:

Fish Tournament Requests and Fish Tournament Regulations: None

Deck/Shed Requests: None

Boat Shop Building Proposal: Manager Wilmouth reported a letter was sent to Mr. Pigg requesting more specific information regarding his boat shop building proposal. Manager Wilmouth stated at this time Brian Pigg has not responded to that letter.

Energy Transition Grant – Additional Items for Playground: Manager Wilmouth reported the campground and playground is complete. Manager Wilmouth stated funds from an Energy Transition Grant was used to install the playground, and there is still approximately \$17,000 to use from that grant for additional items for the playground. Manager Wilmouth stated the Conservancy Committee is looking into purchasing a couple of park benches and possibly a small shelter with a couple picnic tables under the shelter. Manager Wilmouth stated the Board needs to approve authorization for President Barone, Trustee Mileur and himself to modify the Energy Transition Grant in order to make those changes for additional playground items. Trustee Mileur made a motion to grant the authority to modify the Energy Transition Grant. Trustee Ziegler seconded the motion. All members present voted

"Aye," and Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

Meter Install for Restaurant Building: Manager Wilmouth reported that the Restaurant lease agreement states that the District should be billing the restaurant for water usage. Manager Wilmouth stated he has not been being billed for water usage because there is no effective way to figure out the exact usage. Manager Wilmouth stated the cost estimate for a water meter for the restaurant building is \$3,500. Manager Wilmouth stated the Water Plant staff can install the meter, and because the water line belongs to the District the cost of the meter could be paid for out of the Water System funds. Trustee Mileur made a motion to approve the water meter installation for the Restaurant Building. Trustee Westphal seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

Jet Ski Lease Prices: Manager Wilmouth stated that Jim Pribble and Angela Blessing created a price list for jet ski leases for the 2025 season. Manager Wilmouth stated that the price list is in the Board packet and will need Board approval for those prices to be set. Manager Wilmouth stated the Conservancy Committee met and reviewed the jet ski price list and recommends approval of the price list to the Board. Trustee Ziegler asked how many slips at the marina can a boat not fit into. Mr. Pribble responded that there are quite a few of these slips on E-Dock and C-Dock. Mr. Pribble stated the jet ski leases will allow these slips to be filled instead of them sitting vacant. Trustee Mileur made a motion to approve the jet ski lease prices. Vice President Byrd seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

Marina/Campground:

Marina Report – **Jim Pribble:** Mr. Pribble reported that Labor Day weekend was the busiest weekend the marina has had since the District has owned the marina. Mr. Pribble stated tomorrow morning they will be meeting with the dock contractor and will have more information on that project after the meeting. Mr. Pribble stated that the marina staff has been getting a lot of compliments on the Glenn Seeber Campground since it opened, and the new playground is being utilized by many children.

Master Plan Update: Nothing to report.

Manager's Report: Manager Wilmouth reported the new campground has been completed, and the final pay request for the \$200,000 still owed to the District from the OSLAD Grant has been submitted. Manager Wilmouth reported the Dove field was burned off during the last week of August.

New Business:

Legal Report: Manager Wilmouth stated that Mr. Heller could not attend the meeting, however, there is a letter in the Board packet that was received from Cape Law Firm on behalf of Mr. Garrett regarding his houseboat. Manager Wilmouth stated that Mr. Heller has sent a response letter and it is also included in the packet. Mr. Heller has not received any response to that letter as of today.

Kinkaid-Area Watershed Project – Gary Raines Presentation: Engineer Gary Raines introduced himself and Mr. Lou Strack to the Board. Mr. Raines stated he would like to remind the Board that this presentation is being given by the Kinkaid Area Watershed Project as a free service. Mr. Raines stated at the last meeting part one of the presentation included the results of the previous studies conducted between 2000 to 2005 on the Watershed of Kinkaid Lake indicating the sources of sediment being

delivered into the lake and pointed out more than half of the sediment comes from the shoreline and gullies. Mr. Raines presented a pie chart to the Board that shows the land usage within the watershed of the lake and noted it is important to recognize that woodland represents more than half of the watershed, which is a good thing for a watershed in relativity to sediment deposition. Mr. Raines showed a map of Lake Kinkaid with a legend showing an overview of the completed watershed projects on the lake and in the watershed since 1998 when grants started being acquired for the projects. Mr. Raines stated for many years the focus was on the area of the Water Treatment Plant and the sub watersheds to the water plant in the interest of doing the best they could to control the sedimentation entering that part of the lake. Mr. Raines pointed out on the map some dry dams called water sediment detention basins that are located on the Imhoff farm. Mr. Raines gave the Board members a spreadsheet that shows the lake and watershed projects, and the sources of funding for those projects on since 1998. Mr. Raines reported that grants from the Illinois EPA 319 program, the USFS, and the match money from the Kinkaid-Reed's Creek Conservancy District have all been really big contributors to the lake and watershed projects.

Mr. Lou Strack stated that one of the first shoreline protection grants was obtained by KAWP through IDNR. Mr. Strack stated one of the primary focuses of that grant was to protect the big island located off Buttermilk Hill. Mr. Strack reported that when Kinkaid Lake first filled, that island was 4 acres, by the time this shoreline protection project began it was only 2 acres. Mr. Raines reported on the ongoing and upcoming lake and watershed projects to the Board members. Mr. Raines showed pictures of shoreline stabilization projects and stated that Hank Sutton was the initiator of conducting these projects offshore by using a boat with equipment onboard to install the rip rap on the shoreline. Mr. Raines stated these shoreline stabilization projects lead to a natural healing process of the shoreline over time as the vegetation grows and showed pictures of that process occurring through the years. Mr. Raines reported that with all these watershed projects they have probably controlled around 90% of the shoreline erosion of Kinkaid Lake. Mr. Raines showed pictures of Gulley streambank stabilization projects done on USFS land in the Johnson Creek area and talked about the different methods used for these projects. Mr. Raines reported on the analysis of the water quality data of Kinkaid Lake and stated there are no concerns at this time.

Mr. Strack stated that Kinkaid Lake was filled to its normal pool for the first time in 1971, and it was not until the late 1990's that this Board's predecessors made any serious attempt to reduce sedimentation and other forms of pollution. Mr. Strack stated, that put them about a quarter of a century behind controlling the watershed of Kinkaid Lake.

USFS – **Margaret Anderson:** Manager Wilmouth reported that Ms. Anderson was unwell and not able to attend the meeting, but she sent an update stating the USFS has two bids open for harvesting in the Waterfall and Lone Oake areas, and the Kinkaid Bike Trail is still under construction.

FINANCE CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Finance Chairman Recommendation

District Account Balances Approval and District Budget vs. Actual Report Approval: Trustee Mileur made a motion to approve both the District Account Balances and the District Budget vs. Actual Report. Trustee Ziegler seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

Approval of District Bills: Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve the District Bills, and Trustee Ardrey seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Dave Ardrey Yes

Nate Westphal Yes
Jay Ziegler Yes
Tony Mileur Yes
Lisa Byrd Yes

Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

KINKAID AREA WATER SYSTEM

OLD BUSINESS:

Legal Report: Nothing to report.

Manager's Report: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Tap Requests: None

Ratification of Sludge Removal Contract with Kampwerth Dependable Pumping, LLC: Manager Wilmouth stated he polled the Board last week for the approval of the contract with Kampwerth Dependable Pumping for the sludge removal. Manager Wilmouth stated the Board has a copy of that signed contract in their packet. Manager Wilmouth reported that Kampwerth Dependable Pumping was in the area last week and completed the sludge removal. Manager Wilmouth stated this item needs ratified by the Board. Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve the contract with Kampwerth Dependable Pumping, LLC for the sludge removal. Trustee Westphal seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Dave Ardrey Yes
Nate Westphal Yes
Jay Ziegler Yes
Tony Mileur Yes
Lisa Byrd Yes

Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

High Service Building Roof Replacement: Manager Wilmouth reported that while installing the last high service pump, Kyle Hargraves noticed that the roof of the building was in pretty bad shape and is actually leaking. Manager Wilmouth stated there is one quote from Baine Roofing in the Board packet and the Water Plant has been trying to get a quote from Clover Roofing, but they have not showed up yet to look at the roof. Manager Wilmouth asked if the Board would like to wait on another quote or proceed with the approval of the quote from Baine Roofing. Trustee Ziegler asked if the damage would be severe if the roof waited another month. Manager Wilmouth replied he did not think that it would. Trustee Ardrey stated that when the Water Plant gets another quote on the roof then Manager Wilmouth could send that quote to the Board and take a poll to approve one of the guotes.

Third High Service Pump Repair Approval: Manager Wilmouth reported the third High Service Pump is at Illinois Electric Works and their quote on repairing the pump is in the Board's

packet. Manager Wilmouth stated the quote is for \$31,000. Manager Wilmouth stated this High Service Pump repair has been budgeted for and needs approval from the Board. Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve the Third High Service Pump repair. Trustee Ardrey seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Dave Ardrey Yes
Nate Westphal Yes
Jay Ziegler Yes
Tony Mileur Yes
Lisa Byrd Yes

Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

FINANCE CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Finance Chairman Recommendation

Water System Account Balances Approval and Water System Budget vs. Actual Report Approval: Trustee Ardrey made a motion to approve both the Water System Account Balances and Water System Budget vs. Actual Report. Trustee Mileur seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye." Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

Approval of Water System Bills: Trustee Mileur made a motion to approve the Water system bills, and Trustee Ziegler seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Dave Ardrey Yes
Nate Westphal Yes
Jay Ziegler Yes
Tony Mileur Yes
Lisa Byrd Yes

Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS TO DISCUSS: Nothing to Discuss

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice President Byrd asked for a motion to adjourn until next month's regular Board meeting scheduled for October 9, 2024. Trustee Ardrey made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Vice President Byrd seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye." Vice President Byrd declared the motion carried.

SECRETARY- ANTHONY MILEUR

PRESIDENT - MICHAEL BARONE