

# <u>Leino Park Water District</u> (LPWD) Board of Commissioners' Meeting - April 3, 2013

- **1. Call to Order** April 3, 2013 at 7:05 PM
  - **Members present**: Sue Miller (SM), Dave Crumbley (DC), Bob Brown (BB), Don Williams (DW), Rick Plante (RP), and Derek Knerr (DK).
  - Guests present: Deb Lugbauer.
- **2. Review and Approve Minutes -** Minutes from the 2/7/13 meeting were approved with 1 correction. Our 3/7/13 meeting was cancelled due to weather.

# 3. Reports

# A. Treasurer Report (Finance/Budget):

- **Receipts** \$116.88 in March for water meter parts.
- **Expenditures** \$3,707.81 in March for water, utilities, water testing, and repair parts. \$547.39 in Apr for utilities, water testing, and accounting expenses.
- Other None.

# **B.** Water Commissioner Report:

- **Budget** No update.
- **Billing** All water bills have been paid.
- Maintenance of lines and meters None.
- Main meter Nothing to report.
- **DEP/Quality** Nothing new.

### C. Bridge Report

- **Replacement options** Nothing new.
- Replacement funding DK met with our engineer, and together talked (via phone) to Steven Bonavita from the USDA in an effort to fill out the loan application for a new bridge. There is still a lot to do but the process is moving forward. Our engineering firm has to do most of the application work. The company that we expect to provide the wooden bridge structure, will do most of the design, provide the prebuilt structure, and do the installation, subcontracting some of the labor. As such, this project is considered a 'Design and Build' project. Our engineering firm will do some initial design work, permitting, and coordination. Steve had never done an application for a D&B project so he had to provide us with different application material. The only bad news is that the loan rate increased to 3.25% and is good until the end of June.

### **D.** Maintenance Report

• **Bridge** - There is a soft spot near the middle of the bridge that is getting worse. Oil trucks have been seen using the bridge which would explain why it is getting worse. These trucks weigh more than 10 tons empty and our bridge has a posted 10 ton limit. They should not be using our bridge. DC will send letters to the offending companies, asking them to use Honey Bee Lane.

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• Roads - "Crappy", though they are starting to get a little better now that the ground is thawing out. Will Ahearn asked DC to cut back overhanging trees on North Shore Rd and Parkwood Ln. Question about whether trees would be on private property. Discussion about purchasing 15 yards of 1 1/2 inch trap rock and 3 loads of graded base for Ridge Ave. Still no action by Verizon to replace electric poles and provide adequate clearance beneath wires on Pine St and Parkwood Ln. SM will try to find out what happened to their schedule.

## **E.** Communication Report

- Website www.LeinoPark.org Nothing new to report.
- Mail and Email One email request for more information on exactly where our common areas are located so they could be sure they were not in violation. DK replied with a link to the Northern Worcester County Registry of Deeds, where the surveyor plans are registered. DC left a voice mail.
- Phone none.

#### 4. Old Business:

- There was a short discussion about the resident who previously requested information about parking in a common area since they do not have any other place to park. The Board agreed that permanent parking in a common area is not an option and will view the property in question to see if a parking space can be created.
- There was a lengthy discussion on the common areas. As far as we know, none of the personal property on the common areas has been moved. The Board agreed that talking to the offenders is the first step and will try to do this before the next meeting. Discussion continued about limiting access to vehicles with poles or large rocks. Deb noted that the fire department may want access to the water if a fire should occur. All the more reason to get personal property cleared from these areas.

### 5. New Business:

• DK presented a water test kit that many of our customers may have also received (addressed to 'Resident') in the mail over a month ago. The kit contains a small plastic bottle and a postage paid envelope to return a water sample so they can test for 'problems' with your water. DK wants to inform our customers that this is a misleading solicitation for a water softener system. LPWD has our water tested monthly. While it may not be as 'soft' as some would like, rest assured that there is no 'problem' with our water.

# 6. Open Forum - None

7. Adjournment at 8:20 PM.

# 8. Next Meeting

• The next regular Board meeting will be held on **Wednesday** May 1st 2013, 7:00 PM at 15 Old Oak Ave.

Respectively submitted, Derek Knerr - Clerk/Moderator