

Thirty-Nine North Conservancy District
June 7th, 2024, Board Meeting
8 AM
In Person at IBEW Meeting Hall
2751 N. State Road 39, LaPorte, IN 46350
By Zoom Internet Connection:
Meeting ID: 843 9397 8705
Passcode: 554744

Call the Meeting to order by President Mark Childress
Pledge to the Flag
Roll Call

Review and approval of the minutes of the May 2024 meeting
Review and approval of the financial report for January through June as available.
Approved normal and usual Bills for payment

Old Business

Reports:

Attorney Friedman – Has continued to explore options for a “lump sum” payout of the money due to the 39 North District but has not found any way to do so due to the regulations from the State Board of Accounts. Since the repayment is due to entity of the 39 North Conservancy District, the State Board of Accounts will not allow repayment to individual freeholders in a “lump sum” type of payment plan. He’s back to determining what way we can increase the credits freely and appropriately to get the repayment to the individual freeholders within the 15 years. He has had discussions with the City in using ongoing revenues to increase the utility credits and Barnes and Thornburg believe that this is the most appropriate legal means to get the freeholders paid back within the agreed upon time frame. The problem remains with the minimum users. There needs to be a mechanism in place to ensure that the minimum users are paid out within 15 years. A multiplication of the utility credits were discussed but a specific formula needs to be created to ensure that the credits are disbursed appropriately. Moving forward we need to track this repayment process to ensure that it’s completed appropriately by the City; discussions were held about possibly doing a review of the accounts at the 10 year point.

Gary Radtke – Dollar general sent an application for water/sewer connection, but Gary has not yet received it. A question arose regarding on who the application should be sent to. Mark stated that as the District Engineer he could have it sent to him. We have been putting bugs in our lift stations for a couple of months, it does appear to have cleaned up the liquid. We have enough bacteria for another couple of months and then Gary will retest the pipe.

Conservancy taxes have been received by Sue and Mark and will be forwarded to Erica so she can discuss with Sue and complete the financial documentation.

Other Business

Erica Arnold still needs to be authorized to be Bonded through the insurance company. Sue will work with Erica to call the company to switch the bonding over. Erica also needs to get access to the DLGF Gateway portal as an authorized user. Erica will complete both items this month.

No Public Comment

Next meeting will be on July 12th, 2024, or as announced.

Motion to adjourn – All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Erica A. Arnold, Financial Clerk