

Forest Lake Level Authority Board Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2023 @ 9am.

Present: Ray Daniels, Byron Fogarasi, Larry Davis, Sally Mrozinski, Dan Lefevre

Absent: none

Guests: Dennis Monsere, Dan DeVaun (GEI), Meredith Freeby (GEI), Gloria Brunzell, Ray Brunzell, Robert Gomez, Sue Hughes, Joseph Hoshaw, Janet Zajechowski, Stuart & Mary Windy, Theresa Irving, Sandy & Jerry Trevathan, Robert & Deborah Halway, Rachel Mayeda, additional audience.

Meeting called to order: Arenac County Clerk, Nancy Selle, with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

Overview Presentation: Stacy Hissong, Fahey Schultz BurzychRhodes PLC, with additional comments by Warren Miller of Spicer Group, Inc., and Dan DeVaun / Meredith Freeby of GEI Consultants.

Election of Officers:

I. Chair

a. Ray Daniels nominated by Larry Davis, supported by Sally Mrozinski. No other nominations. Nancy Selle closed the nominations, supported by Byron Fogarasi, Ray Daniels elected as Chair. Yeas: 5, Nays: 0

II. Vice-Chair

a. Byron Fogarasi nominated by Sally Mrozinski, supported by Ray Daniels

b. Dan Lefevre nominated by Larry Davis, supported by Dan Lefevre.

Roll Call vote: Larry Davis voted: Dan Lefevre, Dan Lefevre voted Dan Lefevre, Sally Mrozinski voted Byron Fogarasi, Ray Daniels voted Byron Fogarasi, Byron Fogarasi voted Byron Fogarasi. Fogarasi was elected Vice-Chair.

- Motion: Ray Daniels to combine Secretary -Treasurer position. Yeas: 5, Nays:0

III. Secretary – Treasurer

a. Larry Davis nominated by Dan Lefevre, supported by Sally Mrozinski

No other nominations.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Davis, Lefevre, Mrozinski, Daniels, Fogarasi, Nays: None. Larry Davis was elected as Secretary-Treasurer.

- Motion: Chair motion to change agenda to include an additional public comment at this point. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0

Public Comment (1 of 2)

a. Comments and questions posed by: Vito Manzella, Gene Ross, Ray Brunzell, Rachel Mayeda, Michael Gordon, Dennis Monsere

- Motion: Dan Lefevre was nominated by Sally Mrozinski to be the day-to-day point person for this project. Supported by Byron Fogarasi. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0

Agreements: General review of current agreements with multiple parties including but not limited to, Spicer Group, Inc., GEI Consultants, Fisher Contracting and Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC. Any agreements with FLPOA transitioning to FLLAB will be addressed at the next meeting.

Grant(s) and Funding: General review of applications and awards for funding, including but not limited to, EGLE, Michigan Disaster Relief, FLPOA Special Assessment Fund Contributions. Next meeting to include authorization for the Chair to cooperate with the FLPOA to expend grant monies, FLPOA special assessment funds and do any other actions necessary to authorize existing grants to be used towards the Forest Lake-Lake Level Control Project.

Lake Level Special Assessment District: Brief discussion regarding proposed district boundaries, possible webinar and /or website, in-person meeting(s), and Circuit Court petition.

- Motion: Sally Mrozinski motioned to request GEI, SGI and FSBR to collaborate with subcontractors to prepare website, email, phone number, as well as presentation and notices for webinar and in-person meeting(s) prior to court hearing to confirm district boundaries. Yeas-5 Nays-0

Lake Level Project: GEI engineers Dan DeVaan and Meredith Freeby presented options for design selection, and minor design modifications. The Board followed with questions at the behest of the public body.

Discussion ensued regarding easement(s) granted from the FLPOA to Arenac County for access to and repair of the dam structure and its appurtenances.

Invoices: The procedure for processing current and future invoices was briefly discussed and the need to address the approach to such invoices.

Public Comment (2 of 2):

- a. Comments and questions posed by: Rachel Mayeda, Stuart Windy, Dennis Stawowy
- b. NRCS indicated they would prepare a breakdown of costs comparing design options

#1 and #2 for purposes of determining eligible and non-eligible expenses for the Emergency Watershed Protection Program Grant (EWP). NRCS will email this report to the Board.

The Board will have the next meeting on May 18, 2023, at 1p.m. in the Forest Lake Clubhouse Facility.

- Motion to adjourn by Dan Lefevre and supported by Byron Fogarasi. Yeas: 5
Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned 12:28 p.m.