

**Lake Forest Estates Clean Water District  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
May 9, 2024 6:00 pm**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Mark Basler

**Roll Call:** Mark Basler, Jim Donze, Don Kuehn, Eric Kelley, all in attendance. Bruce Giesler absents with notice.

**Approval of Agenda:** Eric Kelley made a motion to approve the May agenda. Motion was seconded by Jim Donze. Motion passed with all in favor.

**Approval of the March Minutes (April canceled):** Jim Donze made a motion to approve. Seconded by Don Kuehn. Motion passed with all in favor.

**Office Administrator:** Julie Orrick

- Receivables: \$1006.79
- Water Quality Report was emailed and mailed to all residents. The office received an email stating the DNR report doesn't provide an evaluation to indicate what ranges are acceptable, the office called the DNR and here are the acceptable levels.  
Nitrate shouldn't be above 10.0 mg/l and ours is 0.33 mg/l (excellent score)  
Barium shouldn't be above 2.0 mg/l and ours is 0.04 (also an excellent score)
- Sara O'Rourke won the quarterly trophy for the 1<sup>st</sup> received payment. Sorry Wayne....

**Property Manager:** Tom Duro

- Well #1 pumped 565,000 gallons    Well #2 pumped 817,900    Total 1,382,900
- Took 120,000 gallons to fill the pool.

**Treasurer's Report:** Eric Kelley

- Financial report was read by Eric Kelley with Jim Donze making a motion to approve. Seconded by Don Kuehn. Motion passed with all in favor.

**Communication Received:** Don Kuehn

None at this time

**Open Forum:** Don Kuehn

Q: Paul Kreilich – When can I get my boat out?

A: We are still on schedule for August (lake only). We may need 30 days for it to dry out after lowering but we will cover more of this under old business.

**Old Business:** Mark Basler

We are at an impasse with the DNR.

The assigned DNR engineer has placed very low limits on the outflow into Big Bottom Creek.

We are currently under an operating permit until 2029 but the interim and new permit require unattainable limits. The Total Maximum Daily Load can be met unless weather, operator error or various other minor restrictions lend towards a violation.

In 2015, before the District was formed Waters engineer, Rich Cochran determined that land application would be the most favorable way to treat and distribute the wastewater. At the time, land was not available to the association for this method.

The Board is currently researching options for land purchase.

At this time, our response to the DNR is May 17, 2024 which we will request an extension.

Q: Mike Abts - Do we need to purchase land?

A: Yes, we need enough land to be able to install pump stations and lay pipe with sprinklers attached. Our engineer has done several systems like this and the DNR agrees that rather having it flow into a stream, it's better to land apply.

Q: John Heitkamp – Would you still have to build a big plant and will it smell?

A: We would still upgrade the plant but much of the planned needed equipment would not have to be purchased and installed. No more smell than we have at the lagoon right now.

Q: Tamra Hansen – How long will the new upgrade sustain the community?

A: The design will sustain all current and planned homes for all buildable lots (350 homes).

Q: Skip Szwargulski – Will this affect the loan factor?

A: No

Q: Nancy George – What is the DNR suggestion for treatment?

A: Land application

Q: Paul Kreilich – With purchasing the land, will we have to borrow more?

A: No, our engineer said the loan will initially stay the same, we have a sizeable contingency built in.

**New Business:** Mark Basler

If you need to have your water shut-off, you will need to call the office 48 hours in advance. We had some equipment damaged and replaced at the homeowner expense due to improper handling. If you have an emergency, call Tom Duro at 573-483-9861

**Adjournment:**

Eric Kelley made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Don Kuehn. Motion passed with all in favor.

Please note that the Board of Trustees may adjourn to close sessions pursuant to the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri to discuss legal, confidential or privileged attorney-client pursuant to Section 310.021 (1), real estate matters pursuant to Section 610.021 (17) or for any other reason allowed by Missouri Law.