

**Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
January 8, 2024**

Minutes of the Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District Board of Trustees meeting held January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District Office.

Those in attendance were Chairman: Troy Hartle. Trustees: Thane Goodrich, Scott Williams. Employees: Isaac Hatch, Dan Huber, Brandy McKee. Kurtis Shawcroft from Sunrise Engineering; Tyler McKee, Rachel and Connor Corcoran, and Tim Adams from the public. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:33 P.M.

Thane advised the board members that expenses had been reviewed and everything looked good.

Scott motioned to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2023, meeting. Thane seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Public input was regarding Tim Allen's place in Lapoint and water termination, connection fees, petition for exception or other options for reconnecting Tim's account besides paying \$9700 for a new connection.

Isaac gave history of account and happenings surrounding the termination of the connection to account #119; Tim Allen's account. Last time paid, when certified letter was sent, board notification and actions. 2-24-22 was when account was written off. Water was being used but not paid for according to account data in Pelorus.

Tim said he didn't receive letter, other rental properties, when lived in Lapoint he always paid the bill.

Tim wants to keep water at the home, remedy this situation and take care of back bill.

Corcoran's paid for water usage up front due to interim for board to make a decision regarding reconnecting account #119.

New Connection Fee minus impact fee is policy for reconnecting account. Impact fee can not be charged twice so the connection would be \$6200 not \$9700. ( $9700-3500=6200$ ).

New hydraulic model needs run due to line was set up (with 4" line) for four houses and there is a new house going in that bought the connection.

Requested payment occurring over a 12 month period. Board hesitant. Many dollar amounts were mentioned. Reconnect fees would have to be fully paid within 12 months (recouping fees over time.)

Calculating charges and late fees since October 2019; late fees and monthly minimum of \$37.

Steps to take ~

1. Isaac will figure out what the charges and late fees would be had the account not been terminated.
2. Tim pay those past due and fees up front,
3. Account (meter) turned on,
4. For 12 months every month pay a pre-determined extra amount plus current water bill, until \$6200 paid.

Isaac advised this is one and only time District will work with Tim on this. If a bill is missed, account will be shut-off per District policy and procedure.

To keep Tim in loop on his rental, he should give us updated information tonight before leaving the meeting. District has forms to be filled out for homeowner, renters, etc. Forms should be updated when any change happens.

Thane motioned to do as prescribed above for Tim Adams connection. Scott seconded motion. Motion carried.

Corcorans gave their written notice to Tim in front of board members. Will be given a refund of what unused from water.

Open Board member position. Tyler McKee is in attendance due to his interest in being on Board of Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District. Tyler could be appointed to board for a term of 4 years. Then he would need to run and be voted in by public. Tyler wants good people on the board.

Scott motioned that Board appoint Tyler McKee to the vacate board position left by Ron Wallace. Thane seconded. Motion carried. Welcome Tyler. Tyler needs to be sworn in tonight.

Troy is Chair. Thane is Vice-chair and Treasurer. Isaac is the Clerk.

Tyler invited to join at the table. All Board members were sworn in by Isaac.

Thane motioned that Board positions and assignments be maintained for 2024 as they were for 2023.

Tyler seconded. Motion carried.

Billing issues. Glad to fulfill policies on new connection with Tim Adams. District will not be lenient if he doesn't pay. If he makes shut-off list it's done.

Kurtis gave a Southern Project update. Just a couple of houses left to tie over and tie into existing line in a couple places. Everything is pressure tested and bacteria tested and good all the way to the highway, South past Angus bench to new PRV we have there.

Schedule confirmed that close to finishing up for winter. Going to do winter shutdown then will work on schedule for when they come back in Spring.

Have about \$300,000 on top of finishing what already planning on so close to 400,000. Available for more pipe and such. Plan is to get about another ¼ mile then ½ mile. Could possibly make it all the way to 2000.

System O&M issues were addressed.

- Billing – glad to be able to fulfill policy on new connections with Tim Adams.
- Active water leak on 1" line by Alan Huber's house. Main line is far off road and on his property. Not a gusher. It is on our mainline.
- Complaint from Pam Searle. Air was in her line due to changes made to her line. Isaac told her air will work it's way out of her line. She's last connection on the line.
- Ouray Canal, statute of limitations is 3 years. If something happens they can still pursue us for negligence. Isaac suggests to appease Ouray Park we give them a signed letter giving them a 3 year warranty. We will back date from time of canal damage. Same letter with time frame change. If something happens outside of Johansen warranty, we could pursue negligence charges. Isaac called county and asked when planning to replace culvert; waiting to hear back. Complaints? Jeff Ellis from County, Rusty Silva to Dan. Isaac will scrape cap off. Johansen will go back when warms up.  
(description of what happened to Tyler and board)
- Tim Adams – take away is that connection costs will be paid back to District. Terms of payment is the only thing different.
- Closed meeting note needs Notarized and put in December's meeting minutes.
- Board members signed Oath of Office.

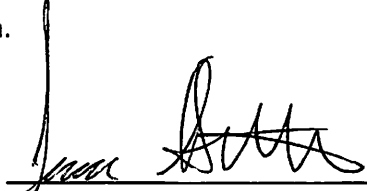
- Kurtis checked with state and our account has \$50,000 in interest. At least \$350,000. Money in account, we can use it. If Loan, yes. If Grant, no. But if same pervue then should be usable.

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Thane motioned to adjourn at 7:41 p.m.



Chairman



Manager

2/12/24

Date