

Harrison County Regional Sewer District

October 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 20, 2023

8:30 am

Harrison County Community Foundation building
Corydon, IN 47112

In Attendance:

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| Tom Tucker | Board Member (President) |
| Gary Davis | Board Member (VP/Treasurer) |
| Charlie Crawford | Board Member |
| Dave Coburn | Board Member (Town of Corydon) |
| Herb Schneider | Board Member (Town of Lanesville) |
| Bill Byrd | Board Member (Town of Milltown) |
| Darin Duncan, P.E. | Board Member |
| Chris Byrd | Board Attorney |
| Aaron Tolliver | Aqua Utility Services |
| Bob Woosley, P.E. | Heritage Engineering |
| Matt Robinson, P.E. | Heritage Engineering |

Absent:

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| Tony Combs | Board Member (Secretary) |
| Dan Lee, P.E. | Board Member |
| Steve Tolliver | Aqua Utility Services |

Guests:

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| Kim Kennedy | New Salisbury Resident |
| Bruce Kennedy | New Salisbury Resident |
| Nelson Stepro | Harrison County Commissioner |
| Brad Wiseman | Harrison County Commissioner |

**Town voting member. (2023 vote will belong to the Town of Milltown)
(Order of voting: 2023 – Milltown, 2024 – Lanesville, 2025 - Corydon)*

Action Items:

- 1. Executive Session:** An executive session of the Board was held prior to the start of the regular meeting. The executive session was held to discuss ongoing litigation. No action was taken during the executive session. The executive session ended at 8:45 am.
- 2. September 15, 2023 HCRSD Board Meeting Minutes:** *Motion made by Darin Duncan, second by Bill Byrd, to approve the meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.*

- 3. Berkshire WWTP Expansion Project:** Bob Woosley informed the Board the IDEM Construction Permit obtained for the project requires that construction begin by January 20, 2024. If the start of construction will be delayed the District must request an extension of the permit. Based on the delays anticipated with the project it is unlikely that construction will begin by that time. *A motion was made by Charlie Crawford, second by Darin Duncan to allow Heritage Engineering to file a request with IDEM to extend the permit. Motion approved unanimously.*
- 4. Berkshire WWTP Operations Report (September):** Aaron Tolliver presented the September operations report. All parameters were met for the month of September. Aaron mentioned that there were a couple of instances of erroneous influent flow meter readings due to the presence of grease at the influent bar screen causing blinding of the screen resulting in water backing up into the influent line. The grease was coming into the plant in large chunks which was likely coming from the gravity lines at the mobile park (all other flow is pumped which would make the presence of large chunks of grease difficult given they would have to find their way thru a pump to reach the plant). Aaron also mentioned that UV season ends at the end of this month and they would be pulling the bulbs to be placed in storage. He also noted they are in need a few replacement bulbs that they intend to purchase in the coming days. *A motion was made by Bill Byrd, seconded by Gary Davis to accept the September operations report. Motion approved unanimously.*
- 5. Lanesville Interchange (Capacity Fees):** Herb Schneider informed the Board the Town of Lanesville recently increased their capacity fees. An increase was needed due to the growth of the area and the need for expansion of the Town's WWTP. Herb suggested the Board considered an increase in the District's Capacity Fee to better align with the Town's current fee (the District's fee is significantly less than the Town's fee). The Board agreed with Herb's recommendation and requested that Chris Byrd and Bob Woosley work on a new rate ordinance to be presented to the Board at the next meeting.
- 6. Treasurers Report**

 - a. Treasurer's Report:** Gary Davis presented the Treasurer's Report. *Motion made by Darin Duncan, seconded by Bill Byrd, to approve the Treasures report. Motion approved unanimously.*
 - b. Claims:** *Motion made by Gary Davis, second by Charlie Crawford, to pay the following claims. Motion approved unanimously.*

District Checking Account:

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| i. Harrison REMC-WWTP electric service | \$1,553.75 |
| ii. Duke Energy – lift station electric service | \$49.90 |
| iii. Town of Corydon – September sewer bills | \$13,073.82 |
| iv. Lanesville Utilities – September sewer bills | \$3,164.60 |
| v. Aqua Utility Services – WWTP Op., LS Maint., Misc. Maint. | \$6,498.89 |
| vi. Church Langton Loop & Banet – attend Board meeting | \$100.00 |
| vii. Liberty Mutual – renew blanket road cut bond | \$150.00 |
| viii. IN Underground Plant Protection – 3 rd Quarter 2023 | \$78.85 |
| ix. Heritage Eng. – Retainer/web site/other services | \$2,095.50 |
| x. Infinity Homes – sewer deposit refund | \$150.00 |

7. **New Salisbury Residents Concerns:** Kim and Bruce Kennedy addressed the Board to voice their concerns about the recent petition being sent around for the incorporation of the unincorporated Town of New Salisbury. They are opposed to incorporation of the Town and felt the District was behind the effort to incorporate. The Board told the Kennedy's the District is not a part of the efforts to incorporate the Town and has no knowledge of whomever is behind soliciting efforts with a petition. The Board made clear that the District has not part in any efforts to incorporate New Salisbury.

Next Meeting:

Regular Board Meeting: **November 17, 2023 at 8:30 am** at the Harrison County Community Foundation.

Minutes prepared by: Heritage Engineering.

End of Minutes

Approved by:

Tom Tucker, President

Charlie Crawford

Gary Davis, V.P./Treasurer

Dan Lee, P.E.

Tony Combs, Secretary

Darin Duncan, P.E.

Bill Byrd, Town Representative