# MINUTES TRI-LAKES REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT September 8, 2025

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Thomas Wise, President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. The meeting was held at the Tri-Lakes District Office, 5240 N. Old 102, Columbia City, IN.

### ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken. Board members present were Travis Minear, Ruth Orr, Bill Brice, Carol Martin, Priscilla Peters, and Kristin Pease. Heather Thompson was also in attendance.

## **GUEST AND CUSTOMERS' INQUIRIES DIRECTED TO TRUSTEES**

Amber Stucker – 477 W 700 N – Asked the board for an exemption for a new garage to put the in-laws in until one passes. After much discussion, Carol motioned to grant the exception for the connection, Priscilla Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried seven (7) to zero (0).

Matt Shipman – Attorney -Bloom, Gates, Shipman, Whiteleather – Matt presented a thought of Tri-Lakes absorbing Whitley County Regional Sewer District. No customers would transfer, but the territory and potential projects would transfer to Tri-Lakes. After much discussion, Carol motioned that Tri-Lakes RSD is not interested in this time, Ruth Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried seven (7) to zero (0).

#### MINUTES & REPORTS

The Minutes and Financial reports were emailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Priscilla made a motion to approve the August regular board minutes as written, Ruth Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried seven (7) to zero (0). Bill made a motion to accept financial reports, Priscilla Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried seven (7) to zero (0).

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Heather got the repair quote and replacement quote for the 20 hp pump at the school that went out. The repairs were going to be roughly \$14,000 and Straeffer Pump and Supply quoted a new pump at \$16,363. Ruth motioned to purchase a new pump from Straeffer and not repair the old one, Priscilla seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried seven (7) to zero (0).

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

No updates from Blue Lake CD.

#### **ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES**

Heather let Trustees know the Knapp Lake audit is still making progress.

With nothing more to discuss, Carol made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Kristin Seconded; verbal vote of the motion carried by seven (7) to zero (0). The meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm.

Ruth Orr, Secretary