

**Agenda: Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Meeting Date: November 20, 2018 5PM**

*Beregszazi called meeting to order at 5:00PM*

*In Attendance: Lana Beregszazi, Don Amber, Frank Kessler, Randy Cokl, Chad Nix, Todd Nichols, Matt Shipman, Brooks Langeloh, Walt Crowder (entered late)*

**1. Administrative items**

a. Bylaws

- i. Review of final drafted bylaws
- ii. ACTION: Consideration for adoption of bylaws  
*Attorney recommended adoption of by-laws. By-laws passed by quorum. Circulated for signatures.*

b. Election of officers

- i. ACTION: appointing nomination of officers  
*Beregszazi reviews officer roles. Amber motioned to move forward with having BCS Management record the minutes. Beregszazi stated a President and Treasurer need to be decided on. Shipman states Secretary needs to sign the minutes if allowing BCS Management to record the minutes in efforts of time. Kessler stated he will not accept a nomination for a position of officers as he will not be on the Churubusco Town Council after December 31. Nix volunteered for President position, Kessler motioned, Amber second. 6/6 Vote For. Motion Passed.  
Amber volunteered for Treasurer – Nix motioned, Kessler seconds. 6/6 Vote For. Motion Passed.  
Amber nominated Langeloh for VP. Langeloh respectfully declined. Nichols volunteered for VP. Amber motioned to approve, Cokl second., 6/6 Vote For. Motion Passed.  
Amber nominated Cokl for Secretary. Nix Seconds. 6/6 Vote For. Motion Passed.  
President – Chad Nix  
Vice-President- Todd Nichols  
Secretary-Randy Cokl  
Treasurer – Don Amber*

c. Status updates on Interlocal agreements

- i. Columbia City
- ii. Churubusco
- iii. Aqua Indiana Cooperation Agreement  
*Beregszazi explains interlocal agreements. Aqua Indiana Interlocal agreement is very close to being completed. Shipman says Eshelman Quadrant has been*

*removed from interlocal agreement. Beregszazi would like to have interlocal agreement executed by end of year (next board meeting). Shipman suggests he, Beregszazi and Gard sit down to finalize Aqua Indiana Cooperation Agreement. Columbia City interlocal agreement- is nearly complete, Beregszazi, Crowder, McNagny, Mayor Daniel, to meet week of Dec 10. Churubusco Interlocal Agreement-Kessler needs final draft, Shipman needs to call Madeline to figure out wholesale rate, add to agreement and get completed before December 2018 Churubusco board meeting. EDU rate and metered rate to choose from on a project by project basis. South Whitley – Collamer similar agreements from Churubusco, need to be figured out with Churubusco and Columbia City.*

*John Meister from Whitley Water Matters - Commendation of Whitley RSD Commissioners and Whitley Board of Health.*

## **2. Public Comments – 3 minutes (max) per person**

John Meister: 5995 South Woodstrail Drive Columbia City Indiana

I simply want to say congratulations. Thank you. I happened to be at the Board of Commissioner's meeting on second of July, when this topic was discussed. Scott, who just stepped out, your presentation. I was so impressed with the three Board of Commissioners all standing strong, arm in arm saying that such a worthy project to improve the waterways of Whitley County ecology. As well as supporting Scott and his team in terms of the enforcement for those persons with septic's and those state drains and how to go about resolving that in impartial fashion. So, tip of the hat to all of you. I think you are to be commended. We lift you up as a new board of directors and say thank you very much for attention to this matter.

## **3. Project areas in Informational Meeting Phase**

### **a. Gateway East**

- i. Review September 27, 2018 Meeting
- ii. Review collected petitions

*Beregszazi reviews Department of Health report. Requests Board to decide on whether or not to move forward with PIR. Amber motions to proceed with Gateway East PIR seconded by Nichols. All in favor 7/7 Vote For. Motion Passed.*

## **4. Projects in Preliminary Investigative Report Phase**

*Review Project Decision Matrix to aid in decision making*

*Beregszazi reviews major points Board should to take into consideration when voting on project areas: cost feasibility, resident survey results, environmental status. Nichols asked if projects can be revisited. Beregszazi stated they can be but recommended they be voted on sooner rather than later due to financing is 8 months behind.*

### **a. West Churubusco (Churubusco)**

- i. Approximate Property Count: 23
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area

*Scott Wagner of the Whitley County Department of Health explains to the Board the environmental report. Kessler makes a motion to move forward with WC. Amber seconds. Nix motions to move forward. Langeloh has question about lack of rates to move forward. Beregszazi explains those concerns would be brought forward at rate hearing. Rate hearing is scheduled prior to construction-likely Fall 2019. Vote 7/7 For. Motion passed.*

b. Southern Churubusco (Churubusco)

- i. Approximate Property Count: 112
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area  
*Beregszazi explains project area, defers to Scott Wagner to explain environmental report. Amber makes a motion to approve South Churubusco project area. Kessler seconds. 7/7 Vote For. Motion passed.*

c. Community of Dunfee (Aqua Indiana)

- i. Approximate Property Count: 16
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area  
*Beregszazi explains project area, defers to Scott Wagner to explain environmental report. Kessler motions to move forward with Dunfee project. Cokl Seconds. 7/7 Vote For. Motion passed.*

d. Blue River Estates (Columbia City)

- i. Approximate Property Count: 56
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area  
*Beregszazi explains project area, defers to Scott Wagner to explain environmental report. Nix asked how long PIRs are valid. Beregszazi stated as long as infrastructure does not change. Amber says Board can always look back on it, motioned to hold for now. Question: investment to spend for collection is that by budget or project. Beregszazi states money spent on a project is not lost but is not going anywhere if it does not move forward. Wagner states the elevation keeps BRE from having more issues than other project areas. 7/7 Vote to not move forward with project. Motion passed*

e. Stable Acres (Aqua Indiana)

- i. Approximate Property Count: 80
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area  
*Beregszazi explains project area, defers to Scott Wagner to explain environmental report. Nichols motions to move forward with project. Amber seconds. Nichols asked Beregszazi to run the numbers to kick it down the road. Beregszazi states Board would lose \$5,000. Kessler states he is bothered by lack of non-compliant number of systems. He would like more current information to verify the need stating he would like better and more recent environmental information. Beregszazi asked Wagner to explain what would happen 11 years*

*down the line. 5/2 Vote to move forward with project. Favor: Amber, Langeloh, Nicols, Nix, Crowder; Against: Kessler and Cokl. Motion Passed.*

f. Laud (Aqua Indiana)

- i. Approximate Property Count: 45
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area  
*Beregszazi explains project area, defers to Scott Wagner to explain environmental report. Beregszazi suggests moving forward with the project if grants are an option, yet does not recommend moving forward with the way the cost feasibility stands as-is. Cokl motions to move forward with funding as long as it fell in the 2 or less rating. (2 or less is per EDU cost is \$15,000 or less) Langeloh seconds. 7/7 Vote For. Motion passed..*

g. Coesse (Columbia City)

- i. Approximate Property Count: 42
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area  
*Beregszazi explains project area, defers to Scott Wagner to explain environmental report. Beregszazi suggests putting Coesse in "special rate" project area. Nix calls for a motion for Coesse. Amber would like to move forward. Nix asked if board wants to put together as a group. Crowder supports Amber's comment about moving forward. Langeloh makes motion to move forward. Amber seconds. 7/7 Vote For. Motion passed.*

h. E. County Line Road South (Aqua Indiana)

- i. Approximate Property Count: 10
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area  
*Beregszazi explains project area, defers to Scott Wagner to explain environmental report. Nix asked why Aqua didn't want to use existing infrastructure. Gard stated the piping was too small. Amber motions to move forward. Cokl seconds. 7/7 Vote. Motion passes.*

i. Joseph Decuis Regional (Aqua Indiana) Tabled for Design

- i. Approximate EDU Count: 30
- ii. ACTION: Board to vote on project area  
*Beregszazi reviews project and suggests board vote on project area in December meeting once updated infrastructure septic elimination information has been presented. Wagner explains environmental report.*

j. Collamer (South Whitley)

- i. Approximate Property Count: 49
- ii. Engineer working on PIR study  
*Beregszazi reviews project and suggests board vote on project area in December*

*meeting once PIR information has been presented. Wagner explains environmental report.*

**5. General**

- a. Projects timeline expectations update  
*RFQ will be issued in the next few weeks. Bid timeline may be first of January, with intent to award bid at January board meeting. Amber states the County is funding the RSD projects through CEDIT funding until the RSD gets it funding sorted.*
- b. Rate development  
*Beregszazi informs Board needs to provide interlocal agreements and financing for Umbaugh to figure rates. Amber motions to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:59PM.*