

**Minutes**  
**Indian Hills General Improvement District**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**District Office**  
**3394 James Lee Park Rd. #A**  
**Carson City, NV 89705**  
**April 25, 2011**  
**5:00 P.M. Closed Session**  
**6:00 P.M. Open Meeting**

**Trustees Present:** Chairman Denise Pierini, Vice Chairman Brian Patrick, Secretary/Treasurer Bill Eisele, Trustee Dianne Humble, Trustee Art Baer

**Staff Present:** Interim General Manager John Lufrano, District Analyst Community & H.R. Sandi Eisele, Wastewater Supervisor Andy Joyner, Administrative Assistant Karen Ziemer

**Others Present:** Attorney Scott Brook, Attorney Charlie Cockerill, Engineer Tim Russell, Lisa Garland, Bob Hadfield, Bob Spellberg, Dale Morlan, Penni Eisele, Kathryn Clark-Ross, Dave Fournier, Mike Olson

**1. Call to Order:**

Chairman Pierini called the meeting to order at 5:02 P.M.

**2. Closed Session**

**Discussion only regarding possible amendments to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers Stationary Local 39, AFL-CIO:**

*Vice Chairman Patrick motioned to move into a closed session. Seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Eisele. Motion carried unanimously.*

Secretary/Treasurer Eisele disclosed that Sandi Eisele, District Analyst Community & H.R. is his daughter-in-law.

**3. Adjourn Closed Session:**

*Secretary/Treasurer Eisele motioned to adjourn the closed session. Chairman Pierini seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

Closed Session adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

**4. Call to Order – Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees:**

Chairman Pierini called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:12 P.M.

**5. Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Chairman Pierini

**6. Approval of Agenda:**

*Secretary/Treasurer Eisele motioned to approve the agenda. Vice Chairman Patrick seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

7. **Public Interest Comment:** (none)

8. **Discussion and possible action to appoint John Lufrano as General Manager of Indian Hills G.I.D. In an effort to cut through the time consuming process of hiring and to save the District a salary that could be put to better use in the Budget. Hiring would begin with \$72,000.00 a year plus benefits, with the understanding that the District will not hire a replacement for Mr. Lufrano's old position:**

Vice Chairman Patrick stated he introduced this item due to a potential salary savings of \$79,000 per year with the elimination of a position and Mr. Lufrano is competent for the job. Vice Chairman Patrick has confidence in Mr. Lufrano.

Trustee Baer commented he cannot go along with this as the District just advertised for the position and has approximately 35 applicants. Trustee Baer commented we do not have a resume for John Lufrano.

Trustee Humble commented that savings are not an issue as last year the Board voted a \$12,000 raise for the General Manager in bad economic times. Trustee Humble is concerned with the fairness of this item. There is no backup material to evaluate this man for this position. Trustee Humble asked for this item to be continued at another meeting when we have an application filled out as per District procedures.

Vice Chairman Patrick commented this item was more about saving money for the District. The Board did hire John Lufrano as Interim General Manager on the basis of his years of service with Douglas County and his two years at the District. John has knowledge of current situations at the District with the pipeline and the County as well as knowledge of other projects going on in the District.

Secretary/Treasurer Eisele commented he has worked with John Lufrano since John became Interim General Manager. Secretary/Treasurer Eisele had various questions and John was knowledgeable of the District and Douglas County. John is capable of running the District.

Chairman Pierini acknowledged that John Lufrano has done a fine job in the District, has shown his management skills and is a good employee. John received support from the previous General Manager who thinks John can do the job.

**Public Comment:** (none)

*Secretary/Treasurer Eisele motioned to hire Mr. Lufrano as General Manager with a 1 year contract with a written review given after 6 months. Vice Chairman Patrick seconded. Motion carried 3-2, 3 ayes by Chairman Pierini, Vice Chairman Patrick and Secretary/Treasurer Eisele; 2 nays by Trustee Humble and Trustee Baer*

Trustee Humble asked for the record to show there was no resume, no application and no known qualifications for John Lufrano.

Chairman Pierini asked John Lufrano to accept the one year position as General Manager with a 6 month written review. The majority of the Board would like him to be our new General Manager.

*John Lufrano stated he accepts the position of General Manager of IHGID.*

9. **Discussion and possible action to select a committee and a date for reviewing Job Applications for the General Manager position. The committee will prepare a list of Recommended candidates to be presented to the Board. The committee will include 2 IHGID Board Members and other invited members Bob Spellberg, and/or Bob Hadfield:**

Item 9 removed from Agenda.

10. **Discussion and possible action regarding the process and procedure for interviewing candidates and selection of a General Manager:**

Item 10 removed from Agenda.

11. **Reports to the Board:**

a. **Interim General Manager Report (Exhibit A)**

General Manager John Lufrano reviewed his report with the Board. John reported that staff has been inspecting the sewer connection with the Cottages daily. John has been in touch with Leanne, the County inspector to monitor progression of the project. Tomorrow John will find out how long the streets will be closed.

**1. Parks & Streets**

General Manager John Lufrano reported that the GPS of Silverado Heights subdivision is done now. Next will be Tourmaline and Opalite. Then the information will be sent to RCI for their plats. It takes two people to do this time consuming job. It is a necessary and ongoing project.

**2. Water**

General Manager John Lufrano explained that the ozone generators are working now to bring Browns well up and running in order to get off of Douglas County water. The District is off the Douglas County system now.

**3. Wastewater**

b. **District Analyst-Community & H.R. Report (Exhibit B)**

Sandi Eisele reported the Easter Egg Hunt was successful this year even though the weather was drizzly. The turnout was not as large as in other years. The older kids were moved up field with lots of room to hunt. The summer kickoff is the next event on the last weekend in June.

c. **District Accountant Report: (Exhibit C)**

d. **Engineer Report:**

Engineer Tim Russell reported it has been a busy month since work has started on the pipeline project. Q&D Construction is working on the first section which is a 12" pipeline section that will tie into Hobo Hot Springs. They should be staging next week for the highway crossing. There are

a

couple of change orders on the pipeline project tonight. When we awarded the project, the bids came in right at the estimated amount for the project. At that time we talked about the need to set aside some sort of contingency reserve in the the \$40,000 range. We have been able to find about \$16,000 to remove, so now we are looking at an approximate \$25,000 contingency that will be brought forward for discussion at the next Board meeting. Another possible agenda item at the next Board meeting is a recommendation from USDA for a means of expediting construction to allow the General Manager to be authorized to sign off on change orders, or a certain amount, with larger items going to the Board for approval.

Tim has been working with USDA and General Manager John Lufrano on future sludge dewatering facility options and to meet the deadlines to get solar panels. The Cottages is an ongoing project. We may be seeing activity at the Forest Service Hotshots new facility in June or July. They should be breaking ground later this year. The District should be getting an annexation request for approximately 40 acres for water and sewer service on a parcel just north of the water plant. There will be connection fees associated with two separate buildings.

Tim commented that the completion of the pipeline itself across the river will probably be in June, weather permitting. Some portions will be done later dependent on delivery of pipe and new pumps.

**e. Attorney Report**

Attorney Scott Brooke had nothing new to report to the Board.

**12. Discussion and possible action to approve Change Order 1 for Indian Hills Spur Line to pay Q&D Construction \$2,650.00 to purchase and install an additional 12” Valve on the Coloma Loop Line due to the existing 14” valve being inoperable:**

Engineer Tim Russell recommended the Board remove this item from the Agenda. A change order is not needed at this time due to a paperwork issue. It was necessary for Q & D to install the 12” valve to continue working; it was an emergency. At that time USDA had no contingency set up and USDA had no means to reimburse the District. Tim stated we are going to do a work change directed to move a 12” valve from somewhere else in the project to this location as a no cost change. At the time construction hits the point where the 12” valve was moved from, we will do a change order. At this point we will have a contingency fund set up so potentially USDA can reimburse the District if they have the funds available. We are going to change the way we are doing paperwork to allow the District to be reimbursed later down the line. This change order will be brought back to the Board at a later date.

Item 12 was removed from the Agenda.

**13. Discussion and possible action to approve Change Order 2 for the Indian Hills Spur Line to take a total credit of \$66,642.46 against Q&D Construction’s original contract amount. The credit includes the removal and change of various components in the original bid to reduce costs as well as the removal of the Force Account Bid Item from the contract:**

Engineer Tim Russell reported that the force account was part of the bid award process. Now USDA wants to see it removed from Q&D Construction's contract, which puts it under USDA's control for their contingency. Along with the \$50,000 force account change we were able to come up with \$16,642.46 that can be removed from the project without affecting the overall function of the project. This is a credit from the original contract and we are getting money back. Tim recommended approval of this change order as Change Order #1 instead of #2.

**Public Comment:** (none)

*Trustee Humble motioned to approve Change Order #1 for the Indian Hills Spur Line to take a total credit of \$66,642.46 against Q&D Construction's original contract amount.*

*Vice Chairman Patrick seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

**14. Discussion only regarding Sludge Removal at the Wastewater Plant: (Exhibit D)**

General Manager John Lufrano reported that Wastewater Supervisor Andy Joyner is here to discuss details regarding the sampling we got in the pilot test for waste activated sludge. John asked for direction from the Board regarding sludge removal and needed solar panels for the project. Funding must be discussed. There are issues with the headworks as well.

Trustee Humble commented she would like to see this separated from the headworks and see other bids for sludge dewatering systems.

Vice Chairman Patrick asked Wastewater Supervisor Andy Joyner if the cost for the belt press versus the screw type press is in the same cost range. Andy replied they are in the same range except for the centrifuges which are higher. It is complicated to get costs off the internet as they need to be based on your plant and your sludge. That is why a pilot test is very critical. The belt press worked well too. We got better results from the screw press during the dewatering test. The big cost in dewatering is polymers. The best result we got with the belt press was 16% solids. The first test with the screw press was over 20% solids. We will get a detailed report from their engineers. This is fairly new technology and has only been in the United States for about 6 years. The screw press runs on 225 horsepower whereas the belt press ran on much more and the centrifuge ran on 250 horsepower. Power savings alone with the screw press is incredible. Of the two units Andy has seen, he would take the last unit because of the way it is set up, its size is smaller and we will be able to use the building we have on site. We would just need to put in lines and a pump. Andy does not believe it is a complicated system and the infrastructure for it will not be too complicated. Andy will also get information on a belt press system. The company that did the screw press test at the District acknowledged that this was the best test they have ever done on sludge as far as results.

Secretary/Treasurer Eisele asked General Manager Lufrano if there were funds somewhere to pay for this as previous General Manager Jim Taylor had stated. General Manager John Lufrano replied that Jim Taylor had wanted to look at using the money market account. The previous cost has been adjusted to include a new Rotomax. If the Rotomax is not replaced now, John does not think it will keep up with the new system. John commented we can use the money market or possibly finance everything by going through USDA.

Vice Chairman Patrick noted that previously Jim Taylor had been looking at using the money market fund and also the District had a \$2,000,000 bond out when we fixed the sewage treatment plant specific for that project. We used approx \$1,500,000 of it.

According to the State we had \$500,000 sitting and the State recommended rather than making payments from our budget on the \$2,000,000 at \$190,000 payment annually, that we take payments out of our bond money. Jim Taylor had commented previously that we are budgeting in our budget and saving in the money market. We saved at least \$190,000 This year in sewer money budgeted and next year we will see it in the budget too. We don't need to make a payment of the bond until July 2012. In essence we are making a payment on money we owe with money we owe on the \$2,000,000, but we are saving that money also, so it is a contingency we can use, or keep banking it and have the whole project go to a USDA bond. Vice Chairman Patrick noted that the money going into the money market was slated for sewer also.

Engineer Tim Russell commented as part of the USDA process we would have to go through a preliminary environmental report. As part of the loan project, USDA requires you look at a number of different options such as the screw press, belt press and centrifuge to look at the cost implications of each process in coming up with your selected alternative. As part of this project Jim Taylor had always talked about having solar panels to help power the sludge facility. One of the driving factors is IHGID has an application in with NV Energy for 30 kilowatts of rebates that expire November 26, 2011. The solar panels themselves have to be installed, operational and the power flowing back to the grid before NV Energy will issue the rebate. The rebate is work about \$150,000 at 30 kilowatts at \$5 per watt. Tim commented that NV Energy estimated the cost of the installation of the solar panels amounted to approximately \$6 per watt plus the cost of conduit and trenching. Tim estimates the District will get approximately 75% of the cost back plus a rebate for power not used. There is a reverse meter installed, so when IHGID is not using power it goes back to the power grid and IHGID gets the benefit from it on our power bill. USDA has talked about potentially phasing the project to get the solar panels in place to get the rebate and then get the rest of the project done at a more reasonable pace. Engineer Tim Russell noted that the cost estimate for the Sludge Facility includes the cost to construct a new building because we are still not sure if we can use the existing building and don't want a surprise down the road.

Lisa Garland from USDA Rural Development commented that she had spoke to Jim Taylor several times regarding this project. Lisa has been putting together numbers and different scenarios. As far as the deadline to get credits back, for USDA a review of PER (Preliminary Environmental Report) is needed and is a 45 day process. It would be best if the Board decides to go through with this that they go ahead with an application. An application in July would probably be too late to be able to get credits back. IHGID should start the process earlier so funds can get obligated. IHGID can apply for whatever the project is deemed to be at that time. USDA knows there could be a little bit of change to it. By the end of the process we would know what the District must have as far as debt service reserves for payment of the project.

General Manager Lufrano stated that at the next Board meeting we will need a final decision on this item.

**Public Comment:** (none)

**15. Discussion and possible action to amend Snow Removal Policy 2010P-01 (4<sup>th</sup> request by Dianne Humble):**

Trustee Humble explained that the last policy was amended by employees, the General Manager and the attorney. This is normally something the Board does. General Manager

John Lufrano has given us snow removal policies from other entities. Trustee Humble is open to suggestions. She would like to see a mixture of salt. Due to complaints from residents regarding the lack of snow removal, it might behoove us to equip our trucks with a GPS unit. A GPS unit is \$350 per unit. This way we could report back to residents that we are doing snow removal. This would allow the General Manager who lives in the District, to be able to monitor from a cell phone or computer, wherever he is. Trustee Humble recommended the scheduling of snow removal be done by the Board and General Manager. The Board should be able to call the General Manager when residents complain to them. There should be more communication between the Board and General Manager and not just a policy set in stone.

**Public Comment:** (none)

Chairman Pierini commented she thinks we have a good snow policy. The answer is in the budget in regard to buying a more efficient truck and plow to be able plow both sides of the highway simultaneously.

General Manager John Lufrano commented that the Snow Policy was amended January 20, 2010 and was brought to the Board for changes before the amendment. Parts of the Snow Policy were based on John's years of experience plowing snow and the cost of material and employees. Jim Taylor and John had decided to cut the salt out since it would be more effective to use black cinders due to cost and cinders give better traction in melting snow. We have been trying to get rid of salt due to issues it creates with yards. At the time the issue was the traction at intersections and to be able to get the hills sanded. To apply sand before, during and after a storm would waste sand and be costly. If we are trying to be proactive in sanding before a snow and see no snow, we could be sweeping it up a week later. Sometimes staff is out plowing when three inches of snow has fallen. 4" inches of snow is the County standard, with 6" for the Towns and other General Improvement Districts. John commented he thinks 4" of snow is reasonable for plowing. If we went to 2" we would be on the street more frequently and cause more wear and tear of equipment and streets as well as the cost of overtime for employees. Other Town managers have found they have fewer repairs to their streets when they let the snow melt. General Manager John Lufrano stated that last year the District did use salt. This year we stopped using salt and started using more cinders on the East side due to hills and the need for traction.

Trustee Humble stated these are just suggestions and General Manager Lufrano can implement the ones he feels are useful and forget the rest. General Manager Lufrano stated we will continue to do what we can and use salt if we need to.

*No action taken.*

**16. Discussion and possible action to reduce the Ad Valorem tax rate for IHGID beginning in FY 2011-2012 from .8041 to .7901: (Exhibit E)**

General Manager John Lufrano explained that the backup material in the Board Packet includes tax scenarios received from Douglas County. District Accountant, Stacie Joerg Cobb put together how much each entities percentage would be. John participated in a roundtable discussion with the County. They are looking for ways to offset costs coming from the State that they do not know particulars on yet. The County only knows they need assistance with what is coming down to them. John cautioned the Board that we are not asking the County to offset us. The District is giving our tax rate up for the good of the County, for them to pick the rate up. We do have a say in this. If we deny this tax rate

reduction, it dies across the board and the County cannot take the rate and utilize it. This will give us an approximate \$33,000.00 decrease in our budget. The rate will be changed forever. We can't ask to get it back unless the State raises the cap.

County Commissioner Mike Olson explained that there are three districts that have a higher tax rate than the County. The County is addressing a \$3.5 million deficit. The three districts affected are Gardnerville, Minden and IHGID. The County can work with the towns differently than working with the GID. The County controls the towns budgets, but not IHGID's. We are working to find ways to offset what this will cost individual towns and GIDs. Right now we are asking for help in accomplishing the goals of the County. The County wants to work with IHGID and solve some of the problems that are here also.

Vice Chairman Patrick asked if we reduce our rate and Minden and Gardnerville reduce their cap, it gives the county maneuverability. Commissioner Olson explained that the County will have to work with other districts such as the swimming pool and mosquito district so that they don't grab that tax as it becomes available. It needs to be identified for County purposes. The County has cooperation with Minden and Gardnerville and IHGID is the last piece to push this forward. The \$3.5 million deficit we are looking at is before we get what the State is giving the County. It is not looking at the reduced sales tax, property taxes, etc. that are all declining. We are seeing some relief per say in not seeing a double digit sales tax decline in last few months which helps overall revenue. We will continue to see a decline in property tax. At some point the 3% and the 8% abatement will catch up with the decline and we'll see property taxes increase, although it will be minor for the next few years. Commissioner Olson stated the County would like to address services they offer and be able to do them efficiently and would like the IHGID Board's consideration on this item. Two funds the County is looking at offsetting are China Springs that has a \$3.2 million budget that is being reduced by the State by \$1 million. Part of the solution may be to reduce the Western Nevada Regional Youth Center (WNRYS) tax 2 cents. Douglas County is one of thirteen counties that fund it and is working with other counties to be sure they are paying their share. The medical indigent fund continues to be challenged and the County has no control over it. There are two different indigent funds. One is an indigent accident fund where anyone driving a car that is in an accident and determined to be indigent, the county pays for those services. The second is a medical indigent fund for when somebody needs help and they don't have money to pay, the county picks up the bill. The county is reducing their overall contingency fund from 3% to 1.5%. The County Manager works with the budget and is working hard to keep libraries, parks and fire houses open and sheriffs on the streets. The County appreciates the help and will work hard to help to resolve any impact this may have on IHGID.

General Manager Lufrano spoke with Lisa Garland from USDA regarding the sludge project. During the discussion John mentioned the tax rate, a red flag went up and Lisa needed to speak with Kay Vernatter from USDA regarding the terms of our funding and possible issues with the tax rate.

Lisa Garland of USDA Rural Development explained that Rural Development utilizes water revenue bonds or wastewater revenue bonds. The revenues are attached for the repayment of that loan. The question is if there are GEO bonds the District has and what revenues are affected by that GEO bond. The tax rate change should not affect USDA Rural Development. General Manager Lufrano commented that there is not an affect with USDA. However, we are not sure if we have any general obligation out there that is an issue. Vice Chairman Patrick stated District ad valorem is not tied to any general obligation bonds. All

of our bonds are water and sewer. We have no loans for streets. Trustee Art Baer commented that when the District took out loans we went through a loan arranger. The Enterprise Funds guarantee payment and if the Enterprise Funds don't make the payment, our General Fund makes the payment. This is part of the contract.

Chairman Pierini voiced concern with the permanency of this decision. This is the biggest trust endeavor she has faced while on the Board. The District is very proud to be part of Douglas County. We are thankful that in times we have called for assistance the County Manager and Commissioners have made all their resources available to IHGID.

**Public Comment:** (none)

Trustee Baer commented this is \$33,000 coming out of our ad valorem and he is looking at where we are in the General Fund. The District will wind up with almost nothing at the end of the year.

Trustee Humble commented she does not see where the District has any other choice. This is a long term item. It is not a reduction and is nothing that will benefit our residents. It is to help the County, and we should help the County. Trustee Humble noted there was a point in time when our District lines went all the way to Carson City. The land that the box stores are built on was part of IHGID and was going to be our revenue. The County took it for redevelopment. The golf course built by Mr. Wellman was also part of IHGID and was put in the redevelopment area by the County. Slowly but surely the District is being chipped away at until there is nowhere for the District to go and no way to make this money back.

Secretary/Treasurer Eisele stated that IHGID is part of Douglas County and he looks forward to working with the County no matter what happened in the past.

*Vice Chairman Patrick motioned to reduce the Ad Valorem tax rate for IHGID beginning in FY 2011-2012 from .8041 to .7901. Secretary/Treasurer Eisele seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

Commissioner Olson thanked the Board for their sacrifice and stated it is appreciated that IHGID is working with the County to get us out of our deficit.

**Recessed:** 8:12 PM

**Resumed:** 8:22PM

**17. Discussion and possible action to review and amend the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Final Budget to transfer various line item amounts into the Streets Budget:**

Trustee Art Baer explained that there are three areas that need to be looked at in the Budget. The two enterprise funds and the streets that have nothing in the budget. We need to take a tough look at what we are spending to take care of parks in relation to what is needed in streets. Trustee Baer noted that line items need to be eliminated. Art suggested eliminating seasonal employees that will free up \$34,000 that could be put in streets. We don't know where we will wind up with union negotiations and where the State leaves us with the ad valorem. Art believes the line item for the dump truck and snow plow can be deleted and the District can do without it. We currently have a dump truck with a snow blade on it and 3 pickups with snow blades.

General Manager John Lufrano stated we need to identify projects that need to be done. We cannot redo our streets like we need to do unless we go to USDA and take out loans. We need to get dollar amounts for the projects. We need to look at the budget based on the new tax percentage we passed tonight. John and Accountant Stacie Joerg Cobb have reviewed the budget and have taken out or changed amounts on several line items already. John asked the Board to go over the budget again and then come in to see him and Stacie to go over changes. John noted that the professional services line item has never been the correct amount based on the services we use. Stacie has based amount changes on the percentage of what we have used in the current budget.

Vice Chairman Patrick asked General Manager John Lufrano to give the Board a list of projects that John knows we can do, or might be able to do, over and above crack repair and other items we do each year.

General Manager John Lufrano addressed the need for seasonal employees. We have increased usage in the parks and have increased what we get out of seasonal employees. Seasonals used to work a 7:30 A.M. to 4 P.M. shift and now they work until 7 P.M. because we are so busy in the evenings. There are two seasonal employees that have split shifts for coverage over the weekend. Weekend coverage is appreciated by residents and park users who may need assistance with park reservations or need to get into a building. As a service to residents this is extremely important.

Vice Chairman Patrick asked if John could modify the budget to bring street projects back to last year's levels as a first goal and then work towards going past that goal. John replied we all have a big focus in putting funds into streets. John is cutting the cleaning service and may use community service workers to help with cleaning. Water jugs will be eliminated when Minden water is available. John asked the Board to go over the budget and get back to him and Stacie. The budget will be brought back to the Board on May 19.

Trustee Baer asked John for an estimate for grinding Vista Grande. John replied there is a remove and replace process which would cost \$240,000 for asphalt to do Mica to Ruby Ct. There is another process called pulverize and pave where they grind it down to 8" deep then roll out and pave a 3" overlay over that. This is much cheaper, but we must keep in mind we have infrastructure in that street, that is in an older section of the District and must be upgraded. This may bring the cost of the project up to \$350,000 to do it right.

Vice Chairman Patrick asked what is left in the street fund in this year. John replied approximately \$40,000. Vice Chairman Patrick commented that maybe we can identify and take care of some of these projects before the end of June. John replied that the concrete collars are the biggest concern now.

*No Action Taken*

**18. Discussion and possible action to approve Draft Minutes for the March 16, 2011 Board Meeting:**

*Trustee Baer motioned to accept the Draft Minutes for the March 16, 2011 Board Meeting as presented. Secretary/Treasurer Eisele seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

**19. Discussion and possible action to approve Draft Minutes for the March 28, 2011 Special Board Meeting:**

*Trustee Baer motioned to accept the Draft Minutes for the March 28, 2011 Special Board Meeting as presented. Secretary/Treasurer Eisele seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

**20. Chairman and Trustees Reports, Correspondence:**

Art Baer reported he will check the internet to find people with mobile units for quotes. The sludge pond is now 9 years old and still has some head space for dumping. If we can pay to have the sludge pond emptied and it lasts for another 8 years, we may not have to get a loan.

General Manager Lufrano commented that Wastewater Supervisor Andy Joyner had reported that our NDEP license only allows us to have 2 years of storage on site and we are up to 11 years on site. This is why this project is an emergency.

Chairman Pierini commented the next Board meeting is Thursday May 19, 2011 at 6:00 P.M

**21. Adjournment:**

*Secretary/Treasurer Eisele motioned to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Patrick seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 P.M.*

**FINAL APPROVED MINUTES AS PRESENTED**

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**Secretary/Treasurer  
William Eisele**