MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE DAMON RUN CONSERVANCY DISTRICT OCTOBER 26, 2011

The Board of Directors of the Damon Run Conservancy District met at 5:00 P.M. on October 26, 2011 at the Valparaiso Public Library, 103 Jefferson, Valparaiso, Indiana. Directors present were Richard Hardin, Jennifer Beauchamp, Jack Barko and George Grace. Also in attendance were Bill Ferngren of Ferngren Law and Eric Walsh of H.J. Umbaugh & Associates.

The minutes of the September 27, 2011 meeting were distributed to the Board members. Ms. Beauchamp made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Grace seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Beauchamp provided the Board a list of claims for payment. Mr. Hardin made a motion to approve the claims. Mr. Grace seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Barko announced that this was the budget adoption meeting regarding the Damon Run 2012 budget and financial plan. Mr. Walsh presented the board with the District financial plan and the 2012 Budget work papers for final review. Mr. Walsh again explained both documents to the board and reviewed in detail the items that are being proposed and offered options for future planning to the board including user fees, tax base and growth. The board took Mr. Walsh's suggestions under advisement and will further review these options in 2012.

After Board discussion and questions of Mr. Walsh, Ms. Beauchamp made a motion to approve the 2012 budget. Mr. Grace seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ferngren discussed the annexation of the Bromley property and the steps that will need to be taken in order to annex the property per the property owner's request including public notices and hearings. Mr. Ferngren also presented to the board the nomination form for the annual election in which one seat will be up for election. Nominees will need signatures from 5 existing freeholders and the election will take place at the annual meeting in February 2012. Nomination forms must be turned in to the secretary of the board on or before December 1, 2011.

Mr. Barko announced that the next meeting would be the regular quarterly meeting at 5:30pm on December 13, 2011 at the Valparaiso Public Library, 103 Jefferson, Valparaiso, IN.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Beauchamp moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Grace seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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