

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE
DAMON RUN CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
NOVEMBER 18, 2009

The Board of Directors of the Damon Run Conservancy District met at 9:00 a.m. on November 18, 2009 at the Valparaiso Public Library, 103 Jefferson, Valparaiso, Indiana. Directors present were John C. Barko and Jennifer Beauchamp. William A. Ferngren, attorney for the District, and Eric Walsh from Umbaugh and Associates were also present.

Mr. Barko called the meeting to order.

The minutes from the October 28, 2009 Board meeting were distributed. Ms. Beauchamp moved that minutes of the Board be approved as presented, Mr. Barko seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Barko asked if there were any claims to be paid. Ms. Beauchamp presented the claims for payment and made a motion that the claims be paid as presented. Mr. Barko seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Barko announced that the purpose of the meeting was the introduction of Ordinance No. 2009-2 and Ordinance No. 2009-3 regarding the increase of user fees for the water and sewer ordinances for the District. Mr. Ferngren explained that the Board could not take any action on the Ordinances at this meeting, but rather a public hearing would occur sometime in the next few weeks at which time the Board can adopt the Ordinances. Mr. Walsh then proceeded to explain the purpose and need for the increase in the user fees. In short, the user fees would be used to assist the District in payment of its debt service. The increase of \$3.50 for each water and sewer would help in keeping property taxes lower. Mr. Walsh also explained that the District's tax levy is for debt service only. Mr. Barko instructed Mr. Ferngren to coordinate a public hearing date and ensure publication of the public hearing date as required by law. Upon a determination of the actual date, the information will be posted on the District's website.

Next, the Board and the freeholders present engaged in a series of general questions and answers regarding the District.

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