

**CLARKE COUNTY RESERVOIR COMMISSION**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, December 12, 2024.**

**(Unapproved)**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairperson Ty Wheeler called the regular business meeting of the Board of Directors of the Clarke County Reservoir Commission (CCRC) to order at 9:34 am on Thursday, December 12, 2024. Commissioners/Alternate responding to roll call were Ty Wheeler-City of Osceola, Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Board, Denise Arnold-City of Murray, Jeff Rice-SIRWA, and Brenda Standley-SIRWA Alternate. Absent Commissioners were City of Woodburn, Member at Large, and Clarke County Supervisors.

Others in attendance were Ronnie Decker, Scott Kent, Nelson Fry, Dave Beck-CPI, Michael Butterfield-HDR, Andrew Clark-CCDC, Sharon Clark-Spoke Communication, LLC, and Patti Snyder-Osceola Water Works.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Commissioner Jeff Rice-SIRWA, made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Commissioner Denise Arnold-City of Murray, seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Ty Wheeler-City of Osceola, Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Board, Jeff Rice-SIRWA, Denise Arnold-City of Murray.

**APPROVE OCTOBER 24, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Commissioner Denise Arnold-City of Murray, made a motion to approve the October 24, 2024 regular meeting minutes as written. Commissioner Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Works, seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Ty Wheeler-City of Osceola, Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Board, Jeff Rice-SIRWA, Denise Arnold-City of Murray.

**APPROVE NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER TREASURER'S REPORTS**

Commissioner Jeff Rice-SIRWA, made a motion to approve November and December Treasurer's Reports as written. Commissioner Denise Arnold-City of Murray, seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Ty Wheeler-City of Osceola, Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Board, Jeff Rice-SIRWA, Denise Arnold-City of Murray.

**NOVEMBER TREASURER'S REPORT**

**General Fund:** Previous statement balance as of September 30, 2024 was \$590,338.25. Revenue Received was \$1,753.20 for October 2024 Interest. Expenses Cleared were \$201.83 for Creston Publishing, \$253.00 for Auto Owners Insurance, and \$825.00 for Spoke Communications, LLC. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$590,811.62. Revenue Presented was \$12,242.36 for Clarke County Supervisors Contributions and \$131,946.90 USDA Treas 310 Misc Pay. Expenses Presented were \$279.63 for Creston Publishing, \$152.00 for Marsh McLennan Agency, \$825.00 for Spoke Communications, LLC. Expenses Outstanding were \$142.16.

**Special Account:** Previous statement balance as of September 30, 2024 was \$106,843.55. Revenue received was \$317.60 for October 2024 interest. No Expenses Cleared. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$107,161.15. No Revenue Presented. No Expenses Presented.

**LOSST 2008 Checking Account:** Previous statement balance as of September 30, 2024 was \$55,995.85. Revenue received was \$1,333.34 for City of Woodburn Local Option Sales Tax, \$163.34 for October 2024 interest. Expenses Cleared were \$1,620.00 for Clarke County Treasurer and \$482.60 for Thomas Rosburg Botanical & Ecological Consulting. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$55,389.93. No Revenue Presented. No Expenses Presented.

**LOSST 2009 Checking Account:** Previous statement balance as of September 30, 2024 was \$1,141,172.89. Revenue received was \$3,228.12 for October 2024 Interest. Expenses Cleared were \$167.26 for CPI LLC., \$79.00 for Ahlers Cooney Attorneys, \$13,500.00 for Osceola Water Works, \$17,625.88 for Tallgrass Archaeology, LLC., \$40,611.82 for HDR Engineering, Inc., and \$31,000.00 for CPI LLC. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$1,041,417.05. No Revenue Presented. Expenses Presented were \$13,336.88 for Tallgrass Archaeology, LLC. October Outstanding Expenses were \$42,676.64 for Tallgrass Archaeology, LLC, \$67,686.36 for HDR Engineering, Inc.

**LOSST 2010 Preferred Direct Savings Account:** Previous statement balance as of September 30, 2024 was \$487,735.87. Revenue received was \$1,449.84 for October 2024 interest. No Expenses Cleared. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$489,185.71. No Revenue Presented. No Expenses Presented.

### **DECEMBER TREASURER'S REPORT**

**General Fund:** Previous statement balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$590,811.62. Revenue Received was \$12,242.36 for Clarke County Supervisors Contributions and \$131,946.90 USDA Treas 310 Misc Pay, \$253.00 for Auto Owners Insurance, and \$1,949.54 for November 2024 Interest. Expenses Cleared were \$142.16 for Creston Publishing Company, \$825.00 for Spoke Communications, LLC., \$152.00 for Auto Owners Insurance, and \$279.63 for Creston Publishing Company. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of November 30, 2024 was \$735,804.63. No Revenue was Presented. Expenses Presented were \$253.00 for Friday Insurance, \$11,000.00 for Piper Consulting, \$825.00 for Spoke Communications, LLC., and \$6,236.82 for Titan Machinery. No Expenses Outstanding.

**Special Account:** Previous statement balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$107,161.15. Revenue received was \$308.27 for November 2024 interest. No Expenses Cleared. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of November 30, 2024 was \$107,469.42. No Revenue Presented. No Expenses Presented.

**LOSST 2008 Checking Account:** Previous statement balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$55,389.93. Revenue received was \$159.34 for November 2024 interest. No Expenses Cleared. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of November 30, 2024 was \$55,549.27. Revenue Presented was \$2,925.48 for the City of Woodburn. No Expenses Presented. No Expenses Outstanding.

**LOSST 2009 Checking Account:** Previous statement balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$1,041,417.05. Revenue received was \$2,685.06 for November 2024 Interest. Expenses Cleared were \$42,676.64 for Tallgrass Archaeology, \$67,686.36 for HDR Engineering, Inc., and \$13,336.88 for Tallgrass Archaeology. Total Ending Bank Statement Balance as of November 30, 2024 was \$920,402.23. No Revenue Presented. Expenses Presented were \$973.50 for Ahlers Cooney, \$273.49 for CPI LLC., \$59,225.56 for HDR Engineering, Inc., and \$16,994.88 for Tallgrass Archaeology. No Expenses Outstanding.

**LOSST 2010 Preferred Direct Savings Account:** Previous statement balance as of October 31, 2024 was \$489,185.71. Revenue received was \$1,407.25 for November 2024 interest. No Expenses Cleared. Total

Ending Bank Statement Balance as of November 30, 2024 was \$490,592.96. No Revenue Presented. No Expenses Presented.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comments from Ronnie Decker were given regarding revenue and location of the Reservoir.

### **NEW BUSINESS AND CONTINUING BUSINESS**

#### **HDR REPORT**

Michael Butterfield of HDR Engineering reported on progress on completion of the technical review draft of the plan-EIS. Most of the changes from the NRCS ACES team have been completed. Internal QA/QC review of the Draft Plan-EIS is scheduled for Dec 2-6<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Wetland and Stream Mitigation site concepts and cost estimates have been completed and a draft mitigation plan/site concept memo is being reviewed. Reviewed the bat habitat with NRCS and USFWS. Draft Plan-EIS for National Water Management Center review will go to NRCS Iowa, in December, 2024 with comments back by the end of January. Public and interagency review is expected in Spring, 2025.

#### **APPROVE FY 2025-2026 BUDGET**

Ty Wheeler, CCRC Chairperson, presented the FY 2025-2026 Budget. After discussion, Commissioner Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Works made a motion to accept the FY 2025-2026 Budget as presented. Commissioner Denise Arnold-City of Murray seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Ty Wheeler-City of Osceola, Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Board, Jeff Rice-SIRWA, Denise Arnold-City of Murray.

#### **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH PIPER CONSULTING**

Ty Wheeler, CCRC Chairperson, presented the Independent Contractor Agreement received from Piper Consulting Services to be effective on January 1, 2025 and end December 31, 2025. A working meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and a report will be given at the next meeting of the Clarke County Reservoir Commission. No action was taken at this time and this item will be added to the CCRC Meeting Agenda to be held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.

#### **PROJECT MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

Dave Beck, Project Coordinator, gave an update on meetings held with Tallgrass Archaeology, HDR Engineering, Inc., and the DNR from October 24, 2024 thru December 11, 2024. At this time, the project is like 2011 when the small watershed program was defunded. However, CCRC is much further along in the process because land for the project has been acquired. We expect the programmatic agreement between NRCS and SHPO to be signed in December.

#### **OTHER ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED BY COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Commissioner Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Board discussed requests made by the IDNR for explanations on other alternative water sources. Commissioner Ty Wheeler discussed the opportunities with treated effluent water. Project Coordinator Dave Beck reminded Commissioners that until there is another source of water, the Communities involved will need to conserve.

The next regular meeting for the Clarke County Reservoir Commission will be held on Thursday, January 23, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. at the Clarke County Development office.

**ADJOURN MEETING**

Upon motion made by Commissioner Jeff Rice-SIRWA, and seconded by Commissioner Denise Arnold-City of Murray, the meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m. Motion carried on roll call vote:

Ayes: Commissioners/Alternate: Ty Wheeler-City of Osceola, Brandon Patterson-Osceola Water Board, Jeff Rice-SIRWA, and Denise Arnold-City of Murray.

Ty Wheeler  
Chairperson