

2025 3rd Quarter TCDDCD Board meeting Friday July 25<sup>th</sup>, WACF Education Center  
Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome members of the public in attendance: Isabella Foster, DNR Rep; Deb Patterson, The Papers, Emily Maggart, WACF, Diane Castell WACF Board member.
2. Call to Order: Chairman Pipp called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm
3. Roll Call: Todd Mikel, Judy Roberts, Jim Silcox, Bill Pipp present. Quorum Achieved.
4. Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Todd Mikel to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Judy Roberts and seconded by Jim Silcox and unanimously approved.
5. Approval of Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Todd Mikel to approve the Q2 BOD meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Jim Silcox and unanimously approved.
6. After discussion, a motion was made by Todd Mikel and seconded by Judy Roberts to remove the section of the meeting for public comment. It was voted in favor unanimously and approved.
7. Consultant Reports

Attorney

Status of response to Mr. Abrell's requests for information status and public inquiries are reaching a point which is overwhelming. Motion was made by Jim Silcox to authorize the district Engineering firm, Lawson Fisher, to help secure and make available requested documentation and permitting for all work completed not to exceed \$10,000. The motion was seconded by Todd Mikel and approved unanimously.

Dave Hollenbeck reported that the State proposed lower property taxes will not impact TCDDCD. Mr. Hollenbeck also reported that requirements by the state of Indiana to live stream meetings do not require TCDDCD to live stream. He suggested we consider live streaming at future dates.

Bill Pipp reported on repairs at flood control device. The new and improved flood control gate sliders & guides are now in installed, will avoid problems turning the wheels that open and close gates and will eliminate water leakage as well. Application of a new high tech polymer paint is being applied to the concrete structures that will minimize erosion due to freezing/thaw during the winter and adhesion of algae & moss in general. Advance Diving will return to apply the polymer to the back side of the spillway once the water stops flowing over the spillway. Once completed when we can submit the Districts work project paperwork to the Natural Resources Commission & DNR. Dave Hollenbeck committed to the board report will be submitted prior to the October 2025 meeting.

Financial Consultant: Summary from Baker Tilly

1. YTD Fund Balance \$302,786
2. YTD Operating Receipts \$141,804
3. YTD Operating Disbursements \$47,847

Todd Mikel reported that all the necessary forms will be sent out to Board members to be signed.

4. Baker Tilly is working on 2026 Budget for review by Board in August and submission to DLGF/Gateway System Engineering (Advanced Diving Inc)

Bill Pipp updated the BOD on the Advanced Diving Inc. flood control device approved repairs, progress & projected completion date:

Lawson Fisher recommended downstream side repair	\$59,000	Complete except polymer
Repair of gate area, seal & guide replacement	\$52,500	Completed
Work on Control Tower	\$16,500	Completed
Annual cleaning & inspection including diving inspection	\$12,900	Late August

Jim Silcox and Bill Pipp need to assess roof condition of gatehouse and combine this with the door replacement project Steve Sponsellar is working on.

## 8. Old Business

Jim Silcox reported that all water level and flow meter devices were up to date and functioning. He noted, we have two years left on our contract with ECO Systems and that the BOD should start thinking about a long-term strategy with WACF. The contract between WACF and ECO Systems is 3 years, and they only have one year left. Note: WACF and TCDDCD share costs on the water level and flow devices.

Jim Silcox reported that we finally found a retired carpenter who is working on getting the doors replaced at the flood control structure. "It's a slow process"

He also reported the Kemp Electric is finishing up the work to run power to the flood control structure. We can expect an invoice next week.

Website activity report:

### Web Traffic and Analytics Summary June 2025 vs May 2025

(MoM) Landing Page Traffic (first page user sees when they visit the website)

- Total Traffic - 24% increase (1,533 sessions → 1,908 sessions)
- Homepage - 19% increase (1,119 sessions → 1,337 sessions)
- Latest Conditions - 77% increase (184 sessions → 325 sessions)
- About / History - 37% decrease (19 sessions → 12 sessions)
- Page Views (people navigating to key pages once they're on the website)
- Latest Conditions - 59% increase (302 views → 481 views)
- About / History - 50% increase (40 views → 60 views)
- Resources - 27% increase (26 views → 33 views)
- News / Events - 104% increase (28 views → 57 views)
- Contact Us - 48% increase (23 views → 34 views)
- Traffic Sources
- Organic - 48% increase (367 sessions → 543 sessions)

- Direct - 66% increase (637 sessions → 1,060 sessions)
- Referral - 26% decrease (282 session → 210 sessions)
- Organic Social - 64% decrease (250 sessions → 89 sessions)

The work BCS has done is showing all the desired results engaging TCDDCD constituents through social media. Jim recommended the BOD consider a long-term strategy with the BCS team so that we can include this in the budget for 2026. Meeting will be scheduled in next two weeks

Insurance: Bill Pipp is working with insurance broker to secure Dike and Dam insurance carrier with lower premiums, now that our inspection is near complete. Current insurance renewal date is August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Broker has 3 new quotes that are being reviewed.

Bill Pipp reminded us we need to begin the nomination process to fill the vacancy on the board left by Carolyn Anderson. We do have several recommendations of individuals from the 5<sup>th</sup> District as possible candidates.

Motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Todd Mikel and seconded by Jim Silcox to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

- Q4 BOD meeting Thursday October 23rd 2025, at WACF at 3:00pm
- Annual meeting Friday February 6th, 2026, at 3:00pm at WACF
- Q1 2026 BOD meeting will immediately follow Annual Meeting at WACF

With revisions WJP 8/4/25