

MINUTES
Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund
Board of Trustees Meeting
June 18, 2024

MoDNR, Lewis & Clark State Office Building, LaCharrette Conference Room
Start Time: 9:34 a.m.

Chairman Greer called the meeting to order and commented that one Trustee could not attend due to a family medical issue and asked all to keep them in their thoughts. He also said Trustee Naught would be available for this Open Session only and had to leave early, but a quorum should still be available at that time. He thanked those in attendance for being present. Roll was called and Chairman Greer then asked all members of the audience to identify themselves for the record, which they did.

Trustees Present:

James Greer, Chairman
Jim Ford, Vice Chairman
Tom Kolb
Nikki Loethen
Kristi Naught
Ken Teague

Trustees Absent:

Ski Mariea
Don McNutt
Danny Opie
Jacob Westen

Staff Present:

Lori Gray, Williams & Company Consulting
Diane James, Executive Assistant
Kelley Ogletree, Executive Director
John Taylor, General Counsel
Pat Vuchetich, Williams & Company Consulting

Others Present:

Justin Buckler, Environmental Remediation Program, MoDNR
Angela Oravetz, Tanks Program, MoDNR

Approval of Minutes – April 17, 2024 – Open Session

Kristi Naught moved to approve the minutes as presented. Ken Teague seconded. There were no amendments or discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

Monthly Reports

Chairman Greer asked if there were any questions or comments on any of the financial statements, monthly activity reports, or the large-loss claims summary provided; there were none.

Legislative Report

Chairman Greer noted staff had provided a memo to Trustees and asked Ms. Ogletree to update them. Ms. Ogletree commented there was nothing new to report since the last meeting and that the legislative session has come to an end with no legislation directly impacting the Board's operations. She also noted that staff is meeting with MoDNR about some potential legislation for next session and would be bringing a recommendation to Trustees at the next Board meeting for their consideration. There were no other questions or comments on legislation.

Other Information and Administrative Issues

UC Phone Lines and Email/Website Changes – Chairman Greer asked Ms. Ogletree to update them on the phone and email upgrade that was approved at the Board's November meeting. Ms. Ogletree commented we are waiting for OA's Project Review Team to get through their process and are encouraging them to get this process done as costs for the current phone system will likely rise significantly in the not too distant future.

Inactive Claims Update – Chairman Greer commented there is a handout provided with information on the inactive claims project discussed at the last meeting of the Board and asked Ms. Ogletree to walk them through what is going to happen. Ms. Ogletree presented a plan to begin closing old claims that are open but have never had work done. Most of these claims were opened because MoDNR had opened a Release Number, not because someone filed a claim with the Fund. There are 53 of these claims over ten years ago, 19 of those are 25 years old or more. Ms. Ogletree stated that staff would like to close the claims where there is no claim form on file. If there is a claim form on file, staff will attempt to reach the claimant and close the claim if there is no response or if they indicate they will not proceed with a cleanup. Ms. Ogletree emphasized that closing the claim does not impact eligibility, so if anyone comes forward and files a claim, it can proceed.

Jim Ford moved to allow staff to close inactive remedial claims. Tom Kolb seconded. There was no further discussion or comments. Motion carried.

Billings – Chairman Greer asked if there were any questions or comments on any of the billings; there were none.

Chairman Greer thanked everyone for attending and announced the Board's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at this same location.

Chairman Greer then asked for a motion to go into closed session to:

- Approve the minutes from our previous closed session; and
- Discuss ongoing and threatened litigation.

Jim Ford moved to go into closed session to discuss the matters identified by the Chairman, as authorized by Subsection (1) of Section 610.021, RSMo. Ken Teague seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 in favor.

The open meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by:

/S/
Kelley J. Ogletree

/S/
James Greer, Chairman

Date 9/18/2024