

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2017

The Board of Trustees of the Sanitary District of Decatur, Illinois met in regular session February 15, 2017 at 5:30 pm at the District's Office, 501 Dipper Lane. Present for the meeting were board members Dan Smallwood, Jim Gresham, and Billy Tyus. Also present were Kent Newton, Executive Director/CFO; Don Miller, Director of Engineering; Steve Nightingale, Director of Compliance; J.D. Malone, Director of Maintenance; Christy Luka, Administrative Coordinator; and Ed Flynn, General Counsel for the District. The audience included Kevin Hannel from the Farnsworth Group; and staff members Marla Durst.

Mr. Smallwood called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no Public Comments

- 12843** Mr. Gresham moved that the items on the Consent Agenda including minutes from the Regular Meeting of January 18, 2017; payroll and checks including travel expense reimbursements as submitted; and easements for the Spring Creek pipe bridge with D&M LLP, Prairie State Bank & Trustee – for Trust No. 1095 and the City of Decatur be accepted, approved, set, and issued; that the President, Clerk and Executive Director be authorized and directed to take all actions required to execute the items on the consent agenda and that the closed session minutes from January 18, 2017 not be made public without additional board approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Smallwood. Trustees Gresham and Smallwood voted Aye. Trustee Tyus abstained from the motion. There were no Nays. The motion passed.

Mr. Newton reviewed the Executive Director's report that was included in the packet. There have been recommendations made during the safety committee meeting that are currently being addressed. The odor control payment from IEPA was posted so we are down to \$678,621 for this project. Mr. Newton is working on our energy management to see which vendor we would like to work with this next year. Marla Durst and Cathy Layette did a great job working with the new time clock update. We received a thank you letter from the American Legion for our donation to them of an AED box that was needed for their AED.

Mr. Miller presented the Engineering Director's Report included in the packet. Hickory Point Pump Station has a lot of construction work right now since there was a break in the weather. The fence at the South Sludge Lagoons is currently being constructed. There are three pre-bid meetings this month for new projects. The Headworks Project is going well and will hopefully have a design to send for approval to the IEPA in the middle of March.

Mr. Malone reviewed the Maintenance Report included in the packet. Finley Creek Motor Control Project is updated, cleaned up, and going well. As of now, we have two trucks, a van, and 2 John Deere Gators on order for vehicle replacement. Two zero turn mower replacements have also been ordered. Plant water systems had a PM inspection. Russell Hazelwonder caught a failure and reported it. By finding this failure and promptly reporting it, he potentially saved us between \$60-80,000. Jeremy Long noticed a slight vibration on Neuros #3. This is being investigated.

Mr. Nightingale presented the Technical Director's Report by reviewing the Operations and Pretreatment Report included in the packet. We are still waiting for the final report from Oregon State on the nickel issue. Results are about 3 weeks out. The power graph looks excellent. This January power bill was \$4,000 less than last January's power bill.

There was no Attorney Report.

Mr. Newton brought up some new business that \$5 million will be transferred from our General checking account to our Wealth Management account this month.

There were no Public Comments.

For Trustee Comments, Mr. Smallwood stated that he really enjoyed the conference that he went to this previous month. He said he saw that our plant has many of the same issues as others throughout the country.

**12844** Mr. Tyus moved that the board go into closed session for the purpose of discussing matters that are statutory exceptions to the requirements of the Open Meetings Act as outlined in: Sec 2c – 11, Litigation. Motion seconded by Mr. Gresham. Motion carried unanimously.

**12845** Mr. Tyus moved that the board adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Gresham. Motion carried unanimously.

The board adjourned at 6:05 pm.

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Clerk