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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017

The Board of Trustees of the Sanitary District of Decatur, Illinois met in regular session March 15, 2017 at 5:30 pm at the District's Office, 501 Dipper Lane. Present for the meeting were board members Jim Gresham, Billy Tyus, Rob Jacobsen and Phil Cochran. 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 Steve Meyers from the Farnsworth Group; and staff member Marla Durst.

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

Mr. Newton explained that the agenda had not been properly posted so the Board would be discussing agenda items but not taking any final action.

There were no Public Comments

There were no questions about the items on the consent agenda.

Mr. Newton reviewed the Executive Director's report that was included in the packet. Mr. Newton provided additional information about the plans to close the PNC bank accounts and transfer the money to Soy Capital Bank and Hickory Point Bank. This brings the money back to the community and increases the Districts interest rate return. Mr. Newton also discussed the Biomass Crop workshop he attended and the discussion after the workshop with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and Agricultural Watershed representatives about efforts to expand nutrient reduction funding to a regional or state level instead of a local level.

Mr. Miller presented the Engineering Director's Report included in the packet. Mr. Miller advised the Board that the bids for the Primary Clarifier and P2 Channel coating project had been rejected due to the cost and limited number of bids received. The scope will be reviewed and the project will be rebid.

Mr. Malone reviewed the Maintenance Report included in the packet.

Mr. Nightingale presented the Technical Director's Report by reviewing the Operations and Pretreatment Report included in the packet. We are still waiting on the report from Oregon State to help further the progress of our NPDES nickel permit. The Illinois Pollution Control Board approved the request for another six month delay before ruling on the site specific motion. Mr. Nightingale reported on preliminary discussions with the City about helping implement a Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) program with the City of Decatur. There were questions from the Board about how this fit into the District's operations and potential liability concerns. One way the District may assist the City would be changing the District's waste hauler manifest report forms to include additional tracking information for commercial and restaurant generated FOG. Mr. Nightingale reiterated that these were

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preliminary discussions and that he requested that the City develop a program first before discussion continues.

There was no Attorney Report

12843 Mr. Jacobsen 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.

There were no Public Comments or Trustee Comments.

12844 Mr. Jacobsen moved that the board adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Gresham. Motion carried unanimously.

The board adjourned at 7:35 pm.	
	Clerk