

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2015

The Board of Trustees of the Sanitary District of Decatur, Illinois met in regular session March 18, 2015 at 5:35 pm at the District's office, 501 Dipper Lane. Present for the meeting were board members Dan Smallwood, Jim Gresham, Dana Miller and Rob Jacobsen. Lee Slider joined the meeting via teleconference in a nonvoting capacity. Also present were Monte Cherry, Executive Director, Tim Kluge, Technical Director, Don Miller, Director of Engineering, Kent Newton, Director of Administration, and Ed Flynn, Counsel for the District. Steve Myers, Farnsworth Group and staff members Marla Durst, Jeff Runyon, Sam Mattox and Brian Tish were also present.

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

Mr. Myers introduced himself and announced that the Farnsworth Group had opened an office in Decatur.

12695 Mr. Gresham moved that the items on the Consent Agenda including minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 11, 2015; payroll and checks as submitted be accepted, approved, set, and issued; that the President, Clerk, Executive Director and Director of Administration be authorized and directed to take all actions required to execute the items on the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Ms. Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Cherry reviewed the Executive Director's report that was included in the packet.

Mr. Cherry informed the Board that the District would be meeting with IEPA on March 19 to present the watershed approach to nutrient reduction. Mr. Cherry announced the promotions of Doug Gist, Dave Sleeth and Todd Speckman as well as the hiring of Kyle Stewart and Matt Young. Zack Drum was recognized for completing the second phase of the maintenance training program tests. Mr. Cherry also announced that the District had earned the WEF George W. Burk Safety Award for the second time in five years.

Mr. Miller presented the Engineering Director's Report that was included in the packet. At the end of his report Mr. Miller presented some videos of current construction sites to provide context for his report.

Mr. Miller presented one item for Board consideration.

12696 Mr. Gresham moved that the Sanitary District of Decatur approve Change Order #7 to the 2013 Digester Complex Improvements contract with Leander Construction, increasing the contract time by 241 days with no change in contract amount; and that the executive director be authorized and directed to approve said change order. Motion seconded by Ms. Miller. Mr. Jacobsen inquired about how the MCC delay impacted the change order. Mr. Miller explained that the MCC was originally the critical path as work could not proceed past the first digester until the electrical building was constructed and operational. As the repairs and coating of digester #2 extended beyond the planned duration in the schedule, the digester coating/repair work became the critical path. Mr. Jacobsen followed up with a question about length of the change order. Mr. Newton added that this change order included time for additional work on all four digesters even though some of the work has not started yet. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kluge presented the Technical Director's Report by reviewing the Operations and Pretreatment Report included in the packet. Mr. Kluge briefly informed the Board of a recent incident where a gate was incorrectly left open while cleaning the secondary clarifiers. The incident did not result in any safety concerns or a permit violation but did require extra internal monitoring.

Mr. Newton reviewed the Director of Administration Report included in the packet. Mr. Newton informed the Board that the Attorney General's office was presenting a Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Act seminar for public officials. Mr. Newton also discussed funding sources for the Diffuser Replacement Project with the Board.

The 2015-2016 proposed budget highlights were presented to the Board and 5:30 PM, Wednesday April 22 was selected for a special Budget Study Session.

There were no Attorney comments.

Mr. Mattox thanked Management for working with the Union on the proposed travel and training policy.

There were no Trustee Comments

12697 Mr. Gresham moved that the board adjourn. Motion seconded by Ms. Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

The board adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Clerk