

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

The Board of Trustees of the Sanitary District of Decatur, Illinois met in regular session November 15, 2017 at 5:30 pm at the District's Office, 501 Dipper Lane. Present for the meeting were board members Dan Smallwood, Billy Tyus, Jim Gresham, Rob Jacobsen, and Phil Cochran. Also present were Kent Newton, Executive Director/CFO; 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 Myers from the Farnsworth Group; and Kevin Myers from Chastain and Associates; and staff member Sam Mattox.

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

- 12891** Mr. Gresham moved that the items on the Consent Agenda including minutes of the regular meeting October 18, 2017; Payroll and Checks including travel expense reimbursements as submitted; 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. Motion seconded by Mr. Tyus. Trustees Tyus, Gresham, Smallwood, Jacobsen, and Cochran voted Aye and the motion passed.

Mr. Newton reviewed the Executive Director's report that was included in the packet. The Safety Committee is working on plans and ideas for a new safety incentive program. Doug Gist has 21 years of service this month. Health Insurance rates were forecasted to increase by 13%. The rates were refigured and are only increasing 4.6% this coming year. If the District would change health insurance companies, there would be drastic changes due to being grandfathered in for our current company. Mr. Newton met with the Decatur Park District about our 100 year celebration timeline and discussed ideas for celebrating including an open house with plant tours. The Property Tax Rate is estimated to be reduced by about (\$200,000). Equalized Assessed Value is projected to increase by 1.5% which will result in about a (\$5) per year decrease in property taxes for the average homeowner. The Thanksgiving Luncheon was celebrated today. The District held its first Benefits Fair for employees on November 7th including 7 vendors. Steve Nightingale submitted his resignation and will leave at the end of December.

Mr. Malone presented the Engineering Director's Report included in the packet. The coating on Primary Clarifier #5 partially failed. The contractor removed the loose coatings and is working to determine why it failed. The project is shut down until spring. It was scheduled to be completed before the winter but the contractor is behind schedule. The 2016 Spring Creek Crossing project is completed. The 2016 Roofing Project has a change order then is completed. The Headworks Design Project will have a meeting tomorrow with Donohue.

Mr. Malone reviewed the Maintenance Report included in the packet. 1,552 work orders were completed last month. Faries Park MCC should be completed next week. Hickory Point old generator was moved to Faries Park. Aumann Auction has listed the District's surplus property as of this morning and the auction will end December 11th. Mr. Malone

appreciates all the hard work from those who are helping with the land application equipment and operation.

Mr. Nightingale presented the Technical Director's Report by reviewing the Operations and Pretreatment Report included in the packet. Mr. Nightingale provided a status report for the nickel site specific water quality standard. Everything is on track for the November 30th deadline. Implementing a work completion schedule helped speed the process up. A draft petition was sent to the IEPA and USEPA so they have a few weeks to review before the deadline. IEPA called last week requesting a follow up letter with a compliance commitment agreement from the spring creek SSO. Mr. Nightingale sent the letter with a compliance commitment agreement. IEPA has 30 days to respond. Land Application has applied 22.8 million gallons so far.

There was no Attorney Report.

12892 Mr. Jacobsen moved that the Sanitary District of Decatur approve contract change order 1 to the 2016 Roof Replacement Project with King-Lar Roofing, decreasing the contract amount by (\$1,001.72) to a new contract amount of \$124,560.28 dollars and increasing the contract completion time by 58 days for a total of 118 days; and that the Executive Director be authorized and directed to approve said change order. Motion seconded by Mr. Cochran. Motion carried unanimously.

Sam Mattox acknowledged that working with Kent has been working well. He appreciated the continued dialog.

There were no Trustee Comments.

12893 Mr. Cochran 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 – 1, the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or legal counsel for the public body; and Sec 2c – 2, collective bargaining and/or salary schedule for 1 or more groups of employees. Motion seconded by Mr. Tyus. Motion carried unanimously.

12894 Mr. Tyus moved that the board adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Jacobsen. Motion carried unanimously.

The board adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Clerk