

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, October 21, 2020

The Board of Trustees of the Sanitary District of Decatur, Illinois met in regular session October 21, 2020 at 5:30 pm at the District's Office, 501 Dipper Lane. Present for the board meeting were board members Dan Smallwood and Rob Jacobsen; electronically, Megan Baskerville and Katie Anderson. Staff present at the meeting were Kent Newton, Executive Director/CFO; Don Miller, Director of Engineering; J.D. Malone, Director of Maintenance; Dave Collard, Director of Operations and Compliance; electronically, Tina Brown, Administrative Office Coordinator and present at the meeting Ross Munsterman, General Counsel for the District. The audience included staff member Latishia Greve and Diane Grossenheider with Black & Veatch.

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

There were no public or trustee comments.

13074Mr. Jacobsen moved that the items on the Consent Agenda including minutes of Regular Meeting on September 23, 2020; Payroll and Checks, including travel expense reimbursements as submitted; Resolution R20-02 Surplus Property; Resolution R20-03 Transmission Easement with Ameren Illinois; and Pretreatment Permit – Akorn Operating Company, LLC (dba Akorn, Inc); and Non-Contiguous Service Agreement – 3890 E. L&A Industrial Drive 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 Ms. Baskerville. **Trustees Baskerville, Jacobsen, Anderson, and Smallwood voted Aye, and the motion passed.**

Mr. Newton reviewed the Executive Director's Report that was included in the packet. The District's internet service was updated today to gigabit speed for downloads and 40 mps for uploads. This sets the District up for more cloud computing. The District's website will also be updated to the latest security protocols as well as additional upgrades. On October 16, Judge Raylene Grischow ruled that the Public Act 101-642 does not apply to local governments, so the District will remain open on Election Day, November 3. Mt. Zion has a TIF that is expiring, and they do not have plans to renew it. The estimated tax paid by a property owner will be less due to the new assessed valuation being added by the expiring TIF. The District will not be hosting an employee Thanksgiving luncheon or a Christmas gathering this year due to COVID-19. Alternative options are being considered.

Mr. Miller presented the Director of Engineering Report included in the packet. The Roads and Site Work Project has begun. Mr. Miller provided updates regarding that project. The South Shores Interceptor Rehab is going well. Temporary easements are ready to go out. Bids were received for Digester #3 Floating Cover Replacement. A recommendation letter was provided by Donohue & Associates. Westech has been proposed to install a 316L stainless steel cover. The Lake Shore Pump Station Rebuild project is proceeding as planned. A request was made to Clark Dietz to provide an additional service that would not exceed \$19,500. A final draft has been provided for the Arc Flash Study. Black and Veatch is preparing a fee estimate for the Phosphorus removal. Staff is preparing plans for the relocation of the grit drying facilities. Staff is in the process of moving forward with advertising the Roofing Project.

Mr. Malone reviewed the Director of Maintenance Report included in the packet. There were 881 completed work orders for the month of September. The count is down to maintenance work being done on the clarifiers. The electric trucks have been delivered and will be very useful around the plant. E. L. Pruitt completed the installation and modification of the chutes in the 203 building. The I&C Shop wired the control panels. Mr. Malone provided updates and pictures of the North Drainage Maintenance Project. Sam Mattox and John Mitsdarffer have done a great job with this project. Staff is working with Kirby Risk on laying out/ordering replacement MCCs for the 210 Building, 231 Building and Larkdale Pump Station.

Mr. Collard presented the Director of Operations Report included in the packet. Even though IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. did not offer assistance in figuring out why the District is getting false-positive test results, they did offer some information that has led to additional areas of research for the District staff to follow up with. Staff will be looking into potential non-fecal lactose positive bacteria in the influent stream that might be causing the false-positive results. Hauling of the biosolids from the District's Wyckles facility has begun, so far, around nine million gallons have been hauled to farm fields. The IWPC visited the SDD plant and it showed well. The Lab just received a notice that they have passed the DMRQA40 certification test with no errors for the 27th consecutive year. Tish Greve has played a big part in that. A remote meeting was held with ADM representatives regarding concerns they had with the pretreatment portions of the potential new permit. The new permit is out for public notice. A spike indicated on the Operations graphs for September 17 was due to a change over from one Headworks to the other. Ms. Baskerville suggested for the District to speak to Albert Cox with MWRD who is familiar with the environmental groups. Discussion took place regarding the increase of electricity being used when less flow amounts are coming into the plant.

13075 Mr. Jacobsen moved that the Sanitary District of Decatur approve Resolution R20-04 – Early Retirement of Outstanding IEPA Loans. Motion seconded by Ms. Anderson.
Motion carried unanimously.

13076 Mr. Jacobsen moved that the Sanitary District of Decatur enter into a contract with Otto Baum Company, the lowest responsive responsible bidder, for the 20-11 Brick and Masonry Repair Project in the contract amount \$57,580; and that the President and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute said contract. Motion seconded by Ms. Baskerville. **Motion carried unanimously.**

There was no Attorney report and no comments for the public or trustees.

13077 Ms. Anderson moved that the board adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Smallwood.
Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Clerk