

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
Sangamon County Water Reclamation District  
Held August 29, 2023  
In the Board Room of the Spring Creek Plant, 3000 North 8th Street  
Springfield, Illinois

The Board of Trustees of the Sangamon County Water Reclamation District met at the Spring Creek Treatment Plant of the Sangamon County Water Reclamation District, Springfield, Illinois at 9:00 a.m. on August 29, 2023. President Richard Ciotti called the meeting to order. The roll was called, and the following Trustees were present: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart and John Hearn (attending by phone). Also present were Gregg S. Humphrey, Executive Director, Jason Jacobs, District Engineer, Ed Vehovic, Treasurer, Justin Reichert, District Attorney and Human Resource Officer, Joe Roesch, District Attorney and John Higginbotham, Assistant District Engineer. Bruce Stratton, District Attorney was excused. Guest present was Christy Crites of CMT.

Trustee Jim Reinhart moved to allow Trustee John Hearn to attend by phone. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee Terry Schierholz and upon being put to a vote was unanimously approved. Those voting "aye" when their names were called being: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz and Jim Reinhart. Those voting "no" being: none.

## **2. Old Business – None**

## **3. Omnibus Motion**

The Director presented the Board with an Omnibus Motion for approval of the following items:

July Minutes

August Invoices

Trustee Terry Schierholz moved the Omnibus Motion be approved. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee Jim Reinhart and upon being put to a vote was unanimously approved. Those voting "aye" when their names were called being: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

### **a. Annexation Ordinance Nos. 2023-13 thru 31**

The Board was presented with Annexation Ordinance Nos. 2023-13 thru 31 for approval. Trustee Jim Reinhart moved to approve said Ordinances. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee John Hearn and upon being put to a vote was unanimously approved. Those voting "aye" when their names were called being: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

### **b. 2022-2023 Audit Approval**

The Board was presented with the District's annual audit for approval. Trustee Terry Schierholz moved the audit be approved. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee John Hearn and upon being put to a vote was unanimously approved. Those voting "aye" when their names were called being: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

### **c. 2023 UST Letter Approval**

The Board was presented with the annual UST Letter of Financial Assurance. Trustee Jim Reinhart moved to approve the letter, and have the Treasurer sign it. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee John Hearn and upon being put to a vote was unanimously approved. Those voting "aye" when their names were called being: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

### **D. 2022-2023 Receipts & Disbursements Approval**

The Board was presented with the annual receipts and disbursements. Trustee Jonh Hearn moved to approve receipts and disbursements report. The motion was duly seconded by Trustee Terry Schierholz and upon being put to a vote was unanimously approved. Those voting "aye" when their names were called being: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

#### **4. Trustee Reports**

Trustee Reinhart reported he and the Director met with an attorney who is preparing PFAS litigation similar to clean water cases involving PFAS. We are awaiting more information in regard to this and are contacting Kevin Burke at the Illinois Wastewater Agency office to get their input into the matter.

#### **5. Director's Report**

The Director reported on the following:

1. Field work is continuing on our Harvard Park CSO project which is our DCEO grant project.
2. We have been notified of our loan repayment schedule for the Sugar Creek UV Project.
3. Work is progressing at Sugar Creek for the new CSO Headworks Project.

#### **6. Attorney's Report**

Attorney Joe Roesch announced that as of September 1<sup>st</sup>, Mr. Roesch assumes his appointment by the Sangamon County Board to the position of Sangamon County Circuit Clerk. He will take an indefinite leave from Stratton & Reichert Law Office to devote his full attention to his new Office. The Board wished him well in his new endeavor.

Attorney Reichert discussed with the Board ongoing grievances and an EEOC case filed by a former employee, including a resolution worked on by Reichert and our insurance appointed defense counsel.

#### **7. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, Trustee Jim Reinhart moved the meeting be adjourned. The motion was duly seconded by Terry Schierholz and upon being put to a vote was unanimously approved. Those voting "aye" when their names were called being: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

Minutes approved,

  
President

Attest:   
Clerk

