

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
Sangamon County Water Reclamation District  
Held January 31, 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 January 31, 2023. President Richard Ciotti called the meeting to order. The roll was called, and the following Trustees were present: Richard Ciotti, Terry Schierholz, John Hearn, and Jim Reinhart. Trustee Drinda OConnor was attending by phone. Also present were Gregg S. Humphrey, Executive Director, Jason Jacobs, District Engineer, John Higginbotham, Assistant District Engineer, Bruce Stratton, District Attorney, Ed Vehovic, Treasurer and Justin Reichert, District Attorney and Human Resource Officer. Joe Roesch, District Attorney was excused. Christy Crites of CMT was present.

Trustee Terry Schierholz moved to allow Trustee Drinda OConnor to attend by phone. 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, John Hearn, 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:

December Minutes  
January Invoices

Trustee Jim Reinhart moved the Omnibus Motion be approved. 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, Drinda OConnor, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

### **a. Worker Comp Rating (Information Only)**

The Director discussed with the Board that the District's worker comp rating had dropped to 1.01, which is excellent. A lot of this can be attributed to the work Mike Ashenfelter did prior to his retirement and the continuing work Mike Ketchum has been doing related to safety, training and accident prevention.

### **b. Annexation Ordinance No. 2023-1 (5 Lamplighter Lane)**

Trustee Drinda OConnor moved Annexation Ordinance No. 2023-1 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, Drinda OConnor, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

**4. Trustee Reports – None**

**5. Director's Report**

The Director reported on the following:

1. We have accepted our DCEO Grant through the State of Illinois Grant Portal. We are waiting to hear what the next steps will be.
2. Construction is progressing at the Bunn Park CSO Project.
3. The Sugar Creek Disinfection Project is complete and will begin run-testing when weather permits.
4. The District will begin participating in the Wastewater Surveillance program for Covid testing of our plant flows for each plant.

**6. Attorney's Report**

a. Personnel

Justin Reichert stated there may be a need for a Stage III grievance hearing. This step elevates an employee grievance to the Board. The Board normally designates the District's counsel to perform this task on behalf of the Board.

It was also reported that a chemist would be starting in February. A second chemist hire will be considered following training of the new hire.

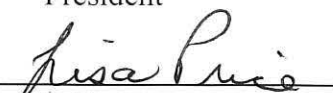
**7. Adjourn Meeting**

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 Trustee Terry Schierholz and upon being put to a vote was unanimously approved. Those voting "aye" when their names were called being: Richard Ciotti, Drinda OConnor, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting "no" being: none.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 a.m.

Minutes approved,

  
President

Attest:   
Asst. Clerk

