

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Sangamon County Water Reclamation District
Held March 28, 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 March 28, 2023. President Richard Ciotti called the meeting to order. The roll was called, and the following Trustees were present: Richard Ciotti, Drinda OConnor, Terry Schierholz, John Hearn, and Jim Reinhart. Also present were Gregg S. Humphrey, Executive Director, Jason Jacobs, District Engineer, John Higginbotham, Assistant District Engineer, and Ed Vehovic, Treasurer. Joe Roesch, District Attorney. Bruce Stratton, District Attorney and Justin Reichert District Attorney and Human Resource Officer were excused. Guest present was Christy Crites of CMT

2. Old Business – None

3. Omnibus Motion

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

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Trustee Drinda OConnor 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, Drinda OConnor, Terry Schierholz, Jim Reinhart, and John Hearn. Those voting “no” being: none.

a. Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency

The Director informed the Board recent legislation now requires an efficiency study be undertaken every 10 years for local governments with taxing authority. The District has until June 30th to set up the committee and then will have 18 months to submit a report to the County Board.

b. Draft 2023-2024 Budget

The Director then presented the Board with next fiscal year’s draft budget. This has been public noticed and a hearing will be held at the April meeting.

4. Trustee Reports – None

5. Director’s Report

The Director reported on the following:

1. We have received our executed grant document from DCEO for our Harvard Park Project. Preliminary engineering will now begin. Our hope is to have the project out for bid this fall.
2. Construction is nearing completion for the Bunn Park CSO Project.

3. Results are now on the Illinois Wastewater Surveillance System website which show the levels of Covid and influenza in our wastewater. The following link will take you to the site where our information can be found:

<https://iwss.uillinois.edu/>

4. Now that we have finally received the DCEO project for Harvard Park, we will move forward to secure our current legislative initiative. We should have a \$1M grant available and we will begin working on the scope of the project and release of funds.

6. Attorney's Report

a. Personnel

A Stage 3 Grievance Hearing was held with Joe Roesch, District Attorney, acting as the Board's representative. It is anticipated the decision on the grievance will be mid-April.

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 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.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Minutes approved,

Richard Ciotti
President

Attest: Lisa Price
Asst. Clerk

