

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE METRO EAST
SANITARY DISTRICT, ST. CLAIR AND
MADISON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2014 AT 1800 EDISON
AVENUE, GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS AT 9:00
A.M.**

President Economy called the meeting to order and the Clerk recorded the attendance.

The following was the attendance:

Present: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.
Absent: None.

Also, attending the meeting were Attorney George Filcoff, Attorney Larry Calvo, Executive Director Shipley, Director of Operations Walter Greathouse, Superintendent John Maeras, Superintendent Randy Presswood, Superintendent Rick Fancher, Lansdowne Office Manager Cindy Worthen and Treasurer Ken Davis.

ENGINEERING REPORT: None.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Executive Director Shipley presented a report:

Attorney Filcoff, "What is the status of the new air conditioner at the Bremen Station?"

Mr. Greathouse, "Last week, Superintendent Presswood met with Scott Walker from Beelman to discuss a new air conditioning system. Mr. Walker has a technical person going to the Station today."

Superintendent Presswood, "Previously, McFarland Heating and Air Conditioning looked at the air conditioner and said parts of the unit had deteriorated. McFarland personnel threw away the bad parts.

The system must be completely replaced. Mr. Walker suggested that the District pay half of the cost due to normal wear and tear on the equipment.

However, as Mr. Greathouse pointed out at an earlier meeting, we would not need such an elaborate cooling system if the coal dust was not present.

A water cooled air conditioner is needed and it takes about six weeks to be delivered. The equipment inside the station must be kept in a cool environment. The generators produce a lot of heat inside the building."

Attorney Filcoff, "Keep me informed, if necessary I will contact Mr. Beelman."

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT:

Superintendent Presswood reported:

1. We borrowed the jet truck from the City of Granite City to clean the storm water lines, before putting on the new risers.
2. The 324 Excavator is at the wooden bridge.
3. A new flap gate was installed by Gateway International Raceway.
4. A culvert pipe on Harding Ditch by the South Pump Station has been repaired.

5. The 450 crawler dozer and the 953 track loader are being used under the new Mississippi River Bridge to load dirt that is being hauled away.
6. Grass is being cut at the Lansdowne facilities and along the force main.

Superintendent Fancher reported:

1. Nameoki Ditch and the front levee have been mowed. Mowers are at Lansdowne Ditch and Harding Ditch.
2. Dirt is being hauled to the front levee.
3. The zero turn mower is also being used daily.
4. The mechanics are keeping busy repairing equipment.
5. A labor crew is cutting trees along Hartford Canal.

Director of Operations Walter Greathouse reported:

1. Frank White and Charlie Reed did an excellent job fabricating the flap gate for the area by Gateway International Raceway.

Office Manager Cindy Worthen reported:

1. Illinois American Water Company disconnected water for ten past due sewage treatment customers this week.
2. Frank White, Charlie Reed and Scott Hillman did an outstanding job with the computers and electrical work during the remodeling.

The new office furniture is very nice and the office looks wonderful. The entire staff is happy.

We are still organizing the office.

3. Collections are good and everything is running smoothly. Except for a few issues that have occurred due to the new system Illinois American Water Company installed a year ago.

Superintendent Maeras reported:

1. East St. Louis Pump Station is the only Pump Station in operation.
2. All of the mowers, including the zero turn, are out on the levees.
3. The Southwestern Illinois Flood Prevention District has contractors working daily on improvements to the Metro East Sanitary District.

MINUTES:

The minutes for the April 9, 2014 meeting were presented for approval:

Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Hanfelder to dispense with the reading of the minutes, approve them as submitted and place them on file.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

GENERAL FUND CLAIMS:

The General Fund Claims and Specific Claims were submitted for approval:

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Motion Commissioner Crockett; seconded Commissioner Hanfelder to approve the General Fund Claims and Specific Claims as submitted and order them paid.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Present: Commissioner Economy.

Absent: None.

LANSDOWNE CLAIMS & SPECIFIC CLAIMS:

The Lansdowne Claims and Specific Claims were submitted for approval:

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Motion Commissioner Hanfelder; seconded Commissioner McCall to approve the Lansdowne Treatment Plant Claims and Specific Claims as submitted and order them paid.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

LANSDOWNE REPORT:

The Lansdowne Adjustment Reports were presented for approval:

Motion Commissioner Crockett; seconded Commissioner McCall to approve the Lansdowne Adjustment reports as submitted.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

PAYROLL:

The Payroll for the period of March 30, 2014 through April 12, 2014 was submitted for approval.

Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Crockett to approve the Payroll as submitted.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

REPORT OF ATTORNEY:

Attorney Filcoff reported:

1. The Illinois Department of Transportation wants a permanent and temporary easement from the District. I asked Barry Loman to appraise the property.
2. As soon as I receive the total amount spent on the 203 Pump Station, I will send invoices to Gateway International Raceway, Pilot Truck Stop and Milam Landfill.

I also need the water usage for each of the three businesses. The percentage due is based on their usage of the Pump Station.

Attorney Calvo, "The Illinois Department of Transportation requested an easement allowing for ingress and egress to the New Mississippi River Bridge. I have drafted an easement, which I want Walter Greathouse to review. It should be presented at the next meeting."

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

There being no further business, Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded
Commissioner McCall to adjourn.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

So adjourned at 9:17 A.M.

Clerk