

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE METRO EAST
SANITARY DISTRICT, ST. CLAIR AND
MADISON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2013 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 Executive Director Shipley, Attorney George Filcoff, Attorney Larry Calvo, Superintendent Randy Presswood, Superintendent Rick Fancher, Director of Operations Walter Greathouse and Lansdowne Office Manager Cindy Worthen.

Charlie Juneau representing Juneau Associates was also in attendance.

ENGINEERING REPORT: None.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Executive Director Shipley presented a report:

Executive Director Shipley, “The Mississippi River was going down until the recent rains. The river is currently at 27 feet.”

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT:

Superintendent Presswood reported:

1. The 324 Excavators are both at Harding Ditch. They are being moved to South Pump Station and North Pump Station to clear the grates.
2. The climber screen at the Bremen Station has been repaired.
3. There are no longer any catwalks on the clarifiers. One fell off and the other was removed.
4. We are looking at new relays and motors for the distilled water tanks at Bremen. The design is outdated.
5. Internet service is now operational at the Missouri Avenue property in Granite City.
6. The 690 Excavator is loading dirt at the Control Gates.

Superintendent Fancher reported:

1. The Pump Stations are still in operation. The majority of the part-time employees are working in the Pump Stations.
2. Mowers are on Cahokia Creek, Nameoki Ditch and the Front Levee.
3. The Advertisement for bids for a new roof at 1800 Edison Avenue, Granite City, Illinois should be in the newspaper this week. Bids are due June 19, 2013.

MESD has received the insurance check for the new roof.

Director of Operations Walter Greathouse reported:

1. The City of East St. Louis owns a ten and one-half foot (10 ½’) sewer line by the East St. Louis Pump Station. A large sink hole has occurred in the levee as a result of problems with the sewer line.

We contacted the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as soon as we noticed the sink hole. The Corps sent representatives to look at the sink hole.

The sewer line has been televised and they believe there is a crack in the crown and numerous pin holes. The line is very old.

The line is so large, that the Corps and our Engineering Firm are trying to determine the best way to repair it.

Executive Director Shipley and I met with the Mayor of East St. Louis and Mr. Mosby. The Mayor is hopeful that the repairs will be covered with Flood Prevention District funds.

MESD owns a closure structure on the river side of the levee that prevents river water from coming back into the line.

Attorney Filcoff, "I think a letter should be sent to the Mayor of East St. Louis, stating that the City of East St. Louis is responsible for the sewer line and sink hole."

Director of Operations Walter Greathouse responded, "A letter was prepared by Hurst Rosche Engineers and mailed to the Mayor. I will give you a copy after the meeting."

Lansdowne Office Manager Cindy Worthen reported:

1. We are continuing to work with Illinois American Water Company and LOCIS on the software conversion being performed by Illinois American. Illinois American is experiencing some problems with the conversion.
2. I spoke with David Tanzyus from the Illinois Debt Recovery Program and we should receive our debt code number soon.

We are sending out letters notifying customers that they are being turned over to the State for collection.

3. We are continuing to work with Landshire on their surcharges for BOD's and Suspended Solids.

MINUTES:

The minutes for the May 8, 2013 meeting were presented for approval:

Motion Commissioner Crockett; seconded Commissioner McCall 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 McCall; seconded Commissioner Crockett 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 Economy, Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

LANSDOWNE CLAIMS & SPECIFIC CLAIMS:

The Lansdowne Claims and Specific Claims were submitted for approval:

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Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Crockett 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 April 28, 2013 through May 11, 2013 was submitted for approval.

Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Laub 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 Calvo, "I am continuing to work with Centerpoint Energy, but there has been no significant change."

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 9:12 A.M.

Clerk