

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS OF THE METRO EAST  
SANITARY DISTRICT, ST. CLAIR AND  
MADISON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2012 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 Bob Shipley, Attorney George Filcoff, Attorney Larry Calvo, Superintendents Greathouse, Maeras and Fancher, Lansdowne Office Manager Cindy Worthen and Treasurer Kenneth Davis.

Joe Juneau from Juneau Associates was also in attendance.

**ENGINEERING REPORT:**

Mr. Juneau presented the Engineer's Report dated November 29, 2012, which provided an update on current projects:

Mr. Juneau, "Hank's Excavating will have a quote by December 7, 2012 for sealing the joints and cracks in the Twin 60" storm sewer in the Bellemore area."

Mr. Juneau left the meeting at 9:03 A.M.

## **REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

Executive Director Shipley reported:

1. The area around the Route 3 Bridge has been cleaned and cleared.
2. Crews have trimmed around the Madison Lagoon.
3. Both Counties are working to repair the items mentioned in the inspection report from the Corps of Engineers.
4. We are continuing to haul dirt from the control gates.
5. A crew mowed and trimmed around three of the shelters on the Tri-City Regional Port District property.
6. Later this week, we are going to run the Bobcat through the Lansdowne Ditch in Washington Park.
7. The discharge pipe has been cleaned at Canal #1 and South Pump Station.
8. Mechanics are busy winterizing the tractors.
9. The front levee roads have been leveled.
10. Buildings at the Missouri Avenue property have been painted.
11. We are looking for a used truck for one of the heavy equipment operators.
12. The monthly meeting with the Corps of Engineers was held on Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.
13. The Superintendents and I met with Charlie Juneau to discuss repairs to the Twin 60" Storm Sewer.
14. A meeting was held with AMEC, MESD and Charlie Juneau to discuss the repairs to the levee system. AMEC was hired by the Southwestern Illinois Flood Prevention District Council.

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENTS:**

Treasurer Ken Davis, "The November 2012 Financial Reports have been included in your meeting packets. Are there any questions regarding the reports?"

There were no questions for Treasurer Davis.

Superintendent Maeras reported:

1. Crews are continuing to work on the inspection report from the Corps of Engineers.
2. The slope mower is being moved to Route 15.
3. Three crews are cutting, trimming and clearing along Harding Ditch, Lansdowne Ditch and the Riverfront.
4. Next week, we are going to practice installing a flood gate.

Superintendent Fancher reported:

1. The mechanic is waiting to repair the white dump truck. He had trouble finding the part and finally ordered it from New York.
2. I have a crew assisting Superintendent Maeras with the flood gate installation next week. Several employees, including myself have never participated in the installation of a flood gate.
3. The area around the Madison Lagoon has been cut and cleared.
4. We are also working on the inspection report from the Corps of Engineers.
5. Crews are cutting, trimming and hauling debris from Hartford Canal.

Superintendent Greathouse reported:

1. Superintendent Fancher located a company by the name of RS Used Oil Services, Inc. to purchase used oil from MESD. MESD received One hundred eighty-five dollars (\$185.00) for the sale of the oil.
2. Ameren is permanently closing the closure structure in Venice, Illinois. Ameren is following instructions from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to seal the closure structure.

This is good for MESD, as we will never have to worry about that closure structure again.

3. As Executive Director Shipley mentioned, we met with AMEC to discuss their plans to upgrade the levee system. However, the plans are constantly changing.

Executive Director Shipley, “AMEC does not have any plans to repair the levee slides along Prairie DuPont.”

Superintendent Greathouse, “There have been numerous slides in that area and we have reported the slides to the Corps of Engineers. However, the slides have never been addressed in any of the reports from AMEC or the Southwestern Illinois Flood Prevention District Council.”

Lansdowne Office Manager Cindy Worthen reported:

1. The residential bills for December have been mailed.
2. Rosemarie Heath completed the forms for the Comptroller’s Local Debt Recovery Program and emailed them to the Comptroller’s Office.
3. I have been working with Attorney Filcoff in regards to some problems we are having with the City of East St. Louis. Attorney Filcoff sent a letter to the Mayor.
4. MESD will not request Illinois American Water Company to disconnect water during the week of Christmas or the week after Christmas.

**MINUTES:**

The minutes for the November 21, 2012 meeting were presented for approval.

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Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Crockett 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 for the month of November 2012 were submitted for approval:

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Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Hanfelder to approve the General Fund Claims and Specific Claims for the month of November 2012 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.

**SPECIFIC CLAIMS:**

The Various Specific Claims for the month of November 2012 were submitted for review:

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Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Crockett to accept the General Fund and Various Specific Claims for the month of November 2012 as submitted:

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 for the month of November 2012 were submitted for approval:

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Motion Commissioner Crockett; seconded Commissioner Laub to approve the Lansdowne Treatment Plant Claims and Specific Claims for the month of November 2012 as submitted and order them paid.

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

Ayes: Commissioners Hanfelder, Crockett, Laub and McCall.

Present: Commissioner Economy.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

The General Fund and Specific Funds Financial Reports for the month of November 2012 were submitted for approval:



Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Hanfelder to approve the General Fund and Specific Funds Financial Reports for the month of November 2012 as submitted and place them on file for audit.

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

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

**LANSDOWNE FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The Lansdowne Treatment Plant Financial Report for the month of November 2012 was submitted for approval:

Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Hanfelder to approve the Lansdowne Treatment Plant Financial Report for the month of November 2012 as submitted and place it on file for audit.

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:

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Motion Commissioner Crockett; seconded Commissioner Laub 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 November 11, 2012 through November 24, 2012 was submitted for approval.

Motion Commissioner Hanfelder; seconded Commissioner McCall 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, "Slay Industries wants to fill in an area where MESD has a flowage easement. I am referring to the area between the MESD East St. Louis Pump Station and Monsanto Avenue. I am trying to determine if MESD can legally prevent Slay Industries from filling in the easement."

Attorney Calvo, "The MESD Accounts Payable Clerk contacted T-Mobile and authorized me to speak to T-Mobile on behalf of MESD. MESD has one year left on the T-Mobile contract. The penalty to break the contract is Five thousand, four hundred dollars (\$5,400). I still need to contact T-Mobile and AT&T to determine the exact cost of switching companies. Also, MESD may need to bid the cellular phone service."

Superintendent Greathouse, "If we switch companies, we do not want to change any of the existing telephone numbers."

Attorney Calvo, "I have prepared a letter to Buckeye Pipeline regarding the renewal of Ordinance Number 84-0-6, which was originally with Shell Pipeline. I used MESD Ordinance No. 2011-0-007 to set the fee. I will mail the letter, as soon as Executive Director Shipley gives his approval."

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**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

There being no further business, Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded  
Commissioner Crockett 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 9:16 A.M.

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Clerk