

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS OF THE METRO EAST  
SANITARY DISTRICT, ST. CLAIR AND  
MADISON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 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, Laub and McCall.  
Absent: Commissioner Crockett.

The Clerk reported that Commissioner Crockett called and asked to be excused from the meeting.

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

**REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

Executive Director Shipley presented his report:

Executive Director Shipley, “There is not much on the report, since the pump stations have been in operation for the last two weeks.”

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENTS:**

Superintendent Presswood reported:

1. Two pieces of equipment are at Cahokia Creek.
2. We still have a huge amount of dirt that needs to be moved. A gentleman called and asked for some dirt. He is willing to load the dirt and haul it away. The only problem is that he wants to remove the dirt on a Saturday.

Executive Director Shipley, “Tell him that he can have the dirt as long as he loads it and hauls it away. Picking up the dirt on a Saturday is not a problem.”

Superintendent Fancher reported:

1. We closed Madison and Venice Pump Stations on Monday, October 20, 2014.
2. There are five mowers out today. Three are at Canteen Creek and two are at Hartford Canal.
3. The zero turn is in operation today.
4. The Terrain King Slope Mower is being used in the Mitchell area.
5. The mechanics are staying busy.
6. The new F250 truck is outside, if anyone is interested in it.
7. Flu shots will be available to all employees on Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at the Madison Avenue location.

Superintendent Maeras reported:

1. There are five mowers out today. A crew is trimming behind the mowers.  
The slope mower is on Water Street.

2. The contractor is preparing to coat the discharge pipes at the North Pump Station.
3. The Pump Shop is going to the Chouteau, Nameoki and Venice Pump Station (CNV) in order to prepare a quote to remove, repair and re-install Pump Number 2.

The pump is currently locked out due to high current draw from the motor and overheating of the top bearing.

4. The East St. Louis Pump Station is the only pump station in operation at this time.

Lansdowne Office Manager Cindy Worthen reported:

1. Thirty new accounts have been turned over to the State of Illinois Local Debt Recovery Program. The accounts total approximately Twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000).
2. The closed accounts will be mailed tomorrow.

#### **MINUTES:**

The minutes for the October 8, 2014 meeting were presented for approval.

Motion Commissioner Laub; 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, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Excused: Commissioner Crockett.

#### **GENERAL FUND CLAIMS:**

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

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Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Laub 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, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Excused: Commissioner Crockett.

**LANSDOWNE CLAIMS & SPECIFIC CLAIMS:**

The Lansdowne Claims and Specific Claims were submitted for approval:

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

Nays: None.

Excused: Commissioner Crockett.

**LANSDOWNE REPORT:**

The Lansdowne Adjustment Reports were presented for approval:

President Economy asked, "Page three of the adjustment reports, account number L164134402, the amount written off was Four thousand, three hundred ninety-four dollars and eighty-four cents (\$4,394.84). How does an account get so high?"

Ms. Worthen, "The amount includes penalties, service fees and attorney fees. The customer did not make any payments for years. We were never able to locate the customer to serve court notices. The lien is still valid on the service address."

Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Hanfelder to approve the Lansdowne Adjustment Reports as submitted.

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

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Excused: Commissioner Crockett.

**PAYROLL:**

The Payroll for the period of September 28, 2014 through October 11, 2014 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, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Excused: Commissioner Crockett.

**REPORT OF ATTORNEY:**

Attorney Filcoff, “The District received a 2013 real estate tax bill from St. Clair County for property located at North 80<sup>th</sup> Street in East St. Louis, Illinois. I notified the County that the District is tax exempt and the District received a corrected tax bill as a result.”

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Laub asked, “Have the MESD decals been placed on all vehicles and equipment?”

Executive Director Shipley, “We ran out of decals. New decals have been ordered and will be placed on the remaining equipment as soon as they arrive.”

Commissioner Laub, “The Granite City Park District requested dirt for Legacy Golf Course. Will the District be able to provide them with about ten (10) loads of dirt?”

Executive Director, “Yes, the Park District can have as much dirt as they need. Now that we are out of the pump stations, we will deliver the dirt.”

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Attorney Filcoff presented a Resolution authorizing the Metro East Sanitary District to intervene in the Tax Appeal of GM Crossroads Center LLC before the Property Tax Appeal Board of the State of Illinois. Number 2014-R-010 was assigned to this document.



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Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner McCall to adopt Resolution  
Number 2014-R-010.

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

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Excused: Commissioner Crockett.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

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

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

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub and McCall.

Nays: None.

Excused: Commissioner Crockett.

So adjourned at 9:09 A.M.

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Clerk