DOVER EYOTA ST. CHARLES AREA SANITARY DISTRICT Minutes of Board of Directors Regular Meeting

February 18, 2014

Members Present:

Bill Spitzer Ray Schuchard Angela Ihrke Wayne Getz Bruce Christie Tyrel Clark **Staff:** Paul Ihrke John Brogan

Guest: Mike Bubany

Absent:

Matt Elder

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Bill Spitzer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Set Agenda:

Bill Spitzer added item #8, freezing pipes, to agenda. Motion made by Ray Schuchard to set agenda with addition of #8, seconded by Wayne Getz. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

3. Approve Minutes of the January 21, 2014 Regular Meeting:

Motion made by Angela Ihrke, seconded by Bruce Christie to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 21, 2014. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Receipts and Disbursement/Summary of Assets:

Motion by Bruce Christie to approve the Receipts & Disbursements/Summary of Assets as presented. Seconded by Wayne Getz. All voted in favor. Motion carried. There was no discussion on the 2013-2014 budget.

5. Mike Bubany, financial information update:

Mike Bubany was asked to update his cash flow projection spreadsheet that he initially prepared for the District in 2009. The District may have to spend roughly \$400,000 to \$500,000, possibly in 2017 (time frame is not definite), to achieve a nitrate/nitrite limit the may be imposed by the MPCA in the next permit. The goal is to pay cash and not borrow for any improvements that will need to be made. His spreadsheet shows that, with an annual 2% sewer rate increase, that total cash and investments would decrease to just under \$600,000 in 2017 and slowly increase each year after. This will be discussed further at the next board meeting.

6. Plant Update:

The MPCA has taken samples for nitrate/nitrite testing and we have also taken samples at the same time to compare results. It will take a month to get the results and if they are not within reason they will take more samples. Paul Ihrke is sure that standards will be added to the new permit and this current sampling is the beginning of the process.

7. Other Business:

There was no other business to discuss.

8. Freezing pipes:

With the current problem of freezing pipes, Bill Spitzer is asking if the District should hold the cities responsible for reporting, to the District, the extra water that they are asking customers to run to prevent freezing. Eyota and St. Charles are waiving water but not sewer fees. St. Charles has 35 customers on a list of people that should run water in the winter and aren't going to charge them for water. Eyota is charging the average of their last four months of bills.

There being no further business a motion was made by Wayne Getz, seconded by Angela Ihrke, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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