

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

January 20, 2015

Members Present:

Bill Spitzer
Ray Schuchard
Angela Ihrke
Wayne Getz
Bruce Christie

Staff:

Paul Ihrke
John Brogan

Absent:

Tyrel Clark
Matt Elder

1. Call to Order:

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

2. Set Agenda:

Motion made by Wayne Getz to set agenda, seconded by Bruce Christie. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

3. Approve Minutes of the December 16, 2014 Regular Meeting:

Motion made by Ray Schuchard, seconded by Bruce Christie to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 16, 2014. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

4. Appointment of Board Members:

Bill Spitzer appointed by the City of St. Charles, Tyrel Clark appointed by the City of Eyota, Matt Elder appointed by the City of Dover. Motion made by Bruce Christie to approve appointment of these board members. Seconded by Ray Schuchard. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

5. Oath of Office, Board Members:

Bill Spitzer took the Oath of Office. Cathy Kennedy acted as Notary for the signature. Oath of Office postponed for Tyrel Clark and Matt Elder until February 17, 2015 as they are not in attendance tonight.

6. Appointment of Director at Large:

Motion made by Ray Schuchard to approve Bruce Christie as Director at Large. There is no second motion so it is opened for discussion. Bill Spitzer stated that Wes Bussell has contacted him as he is interested in the Director at Large board position. It was pointed out that St. Charles has had 3 representatives on the board for many years. Maybe it is time to change things up and give Dover and Eyota a chance to have a third representative on the board. There is a lack of discussion and Bruce Christie then says he will bow out of Board position. It was pointed out that Wes Bussell has experience on the board and would be in it for the long haul. However, it was decided that the Director at Large would change to a one year term instead of a two year term. Motion made by Wayne Getz to appoint Wes Bussell to

a one year term as Director at Large. Seconded by Angela Ihrke. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

7. Oath of Office Director at Large:

Wes Bussell's oath of office postponed until the February 17, 2015 board meeting.

8. Election of Officers:

Motion by Ray Schuchard to elect Bill Spitzer as Chairman, Wayne Getz as Vice-Chairman, and Angela Ihrke as Secretary/Treasurer. Seconded by Bruce Christie. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

9. Designate Official Depositories:

Motion by Bruce Christie to designate Eastwood Bank (which will change to Bremer Bank on 1/26/2015), St. Charles and CDARS Promontory Interfinancial Network, LLC as the District's official depositories. Seconded by Wayne Getz. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

10. Designate authorized checking account signers:

Current authorized account signers are Bill Spitzer, Angela Ihrke, Wayne Getz and Bruce Christie. Motion made by Ray Schuchard to have Bill Spitzer, Wayne Getz and Angela Ihrke as authorized account signers. Seconded by Bruce Christie. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

11. Designate District's Attorney:

Motion by Wayne Getz to designate Frederick Suhler, Rochester, as the District's Attorney. Seconded by Angela Ihrke. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

12. Designate Official Publication:

Motion by Wayne Getz to designate the St. Charles Press as the official publication for the District. Seconded by Angela Ihrke. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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

Bruce Christie noted cash receipt from Craig Ferguson and that did bring his account up to date. Regarding Craig Ferguson, operators were told by Mr. Ferguson that he can't install his waste water meter until spring because his well house is frozen. Rural customers were asked to have meters installed by 1/1/2015. A letter needs to be drafted to Mr. Ferguson telling him to install the meter or he will face some type of consequence such as an outrageous rate until meter is installed. A draft of this letter is to be reviewed at the February board meeting.

Motion by Ray Schuchard to approve the Receipts & Disbursements/Summary of Assets as presented. Seconded by Angela Ihrke. All voted in favor. Motion carried. There was no discussion on the 2014-2015 budget.

14. Plant Update:

- a) cold weather caused freezing problems but with the warmer weather everything is better. Test results were higher than usual but not over the limits.
- b) operators are obtaining estimates to replace air handling unit at the headworks.
- c) Wayne asked if sampling days are changing. Mr. Hugeback, MPCA, is telling Wayne that Utica needs to do their fecal sampling differently. Paul and John said that they have not been told to do any sampling differently.

15. Other Business:

- a) SAC fee report showing \$39,600.00 in SAC fees waived for 2014 was included in board packets.
- b) Bill Spitzer was asked by Pat Thesing if the sewer plant would take his waste water until the ground thaws, he is producing more waste water than anticipated. Bill told Mr. Thesing that he doesn't know what he is bringing us and we have to treat it. John Brogan went with Mr. Thesing to take samples of his waste water to send to UC Labs and told him that the sewer plant needs to know what's in the waste water before we can take it. As of today he does not have any results back from UC Lab. Paul stated that it is possible he would have to be considered a commercial user and that involves paperwork that may not even get done by spring. Paul also pointed out that the Board had previously agreed to not take any waste water from anybody. Motion made by Ray Schuchard to not accept any waste water from Pat Thesing. Seconded by Angela Ihrke. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

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