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

May 21, 2019

Members Present:

Wayne Getz Wes Bussell Dave Iseminger Ray Schuchard Tony Nelson **Staff:** John Brogan Todd Tesch

Absent:

Eric Tyler Dave Kramer

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Wayne Getz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Set Agenda:

Motion made by Tony Nelson to set agenda as presented. Seconded by Dave Iseminger. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

3. Approve Minutes of the April 16, 2019 Regular Meeting:

Motion made by Wes Bussell, seconded by Dave Iseminger to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 16, 2019. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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

Motion made by Wes Bussell to approve Receipts and Disbursements/Summary of Assets. Seconded by Ray Schuchard. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

5. Plant Update:

a) no violations for the month

b) on 5/12/2019 the chlorine test results were way out of whack and the water was murky. Didn't think much of it at first since there had been a lot of rain but after a couple of days it wasn't clearing up. Called the MPCA and Todd Arlander stopped by. We were able to determine that it was a result of filamentous bacteria. We then pumped 15 gallons of chlorine, directly into the ditch on two different days and the water is clearing up. It is too hard to pinpoint why/where it comes from and some wastewater plants treat for it on a regular basis. Regarding the May DMR, the Total TSS probably won't make the weekly average limit but may make the monthly limit. Operators were told by the MPCA to make a note in the DMR of the problem that occurred and what was done to correct it.

c) the waste pump on clarifier #1 failed. Took it to Electric Pump and it was determined that it is an original pump from 1978 and parts are obsolete. The price of a new pump is

\$11,492.00. Motion made by Wes Bussell to purchase a waste pump from Electric Pump. Seconded by Ray Schuchard. All voted in favor. Motion carried.d) John has been in contact with Kevin Horsman regarding the fence replacement but the weather is not cooperating.

6. Personnel Committee update:

a) regarding the vacant operator position, 5 applications were received. Two individuals were chosen for interviews. One has a Class C license and worked at a plant in Clear Lake and the other is Todd Tesch of St. Charles. While interviewing, by phone, the person from Clear Lake it was evident that this position would be a stepping stone therefore, it was mutually agreed to end the conversation. Todd Tesch was interviewed and offered the position and he accepted. Motion made by Wes Bussell to permanently hire Todd Tesch at the wage of \$21.00/hour. Seconded by Tony Nelson. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

b) regarding the pay equity report, the question came up as to whether the \$1.00/hr increase for passing a license test would throw off the calculations. It was decided that it would so in the future the \$1.00/hr won't be included in the pay ranges for pay equity calculations.

c) regarding HSA account deposits made by the District, the current employee enrolled in the single coverage of the Blue Cross policy received a \$1,750.00 HSA deposit at the beginning of 2019. Therefore, the recently hired employee who has enrolled in the single coverage will receive a deposit in the amount of 7/12 of \$1,750.00.

7. Other Business:

There is no other business.

There being no further business a motion was made by Dave Iseminger, seconded by Tony Nelson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 pm. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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