

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE METRO EAST
SANITARY DISTRICT, ST. CLAIR AND
MADISON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017 AT 1800 EDISON
AVENUE, GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS AT 9:00
A.M.**

President Pennekamp called the meeting to order and the Clerk recorded the attendance.

The following was the attendance:

Present: Commissioners Hanfelder, McCall, Darwin and Pennekamp.

Absent: None.

It was noted that Commissioner Frank Laub resigned effective May 11, 2017.

Attending the meeting were Executive Director Bob Shipley, Attorney Larry Calvo, Director of Operations & Maintenance Walter Greathouse, Lansdowne Office Manager Cindy Worthen, Superintendent Presswood, Superintendent Maeras, Superintendent Fancher and Treasurer Ken Davis.

Also, attending the meeting were:

Madison County Director of Information Technology Rob Dorman
Madison County Administrator Doug Hulme
Madison County Deputy County Administrator Stephen Adler
Kathy Goclan
Donald Sawicki

President Pennekamp asked if there were any public comments.

Mr. Adler reported that Madison County Board Chairman Kurt Prenzler was misquoted in the recent Belleville News Democrat article, and wants the Board to know that he appreciates the work you have done.

President Pennekamp stated that he and Commissioner Hanfelder are both resigning from the Board at noon today. He is very appreciative of the other board members, their dedication and efforts to improve the District.

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The Board has been faced with financial challenges, especially the Lansdowne Department. There is a “Letter to Mayors” under unfinished business that addresses storm water infiltration. We are hopeful this will enhance revenues.

We are also looking at an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) grant to finance the proposed sewer improvements to the Lansdowne Interceptor Sewer.

I believe it is the work of the new Board to pursue these items, so we should not take any action on the “Letter to Mayors” today.

Executive Director Shipley stated it has been an honor serving under the Board.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

The Executive Director presented his report:

Executive Director Shipley reported that a sewer break occurred near the Madison Pump Station. The cause of the break is unknown at this time.

Mr. Greathouse added that Juneau Engineering is trying to determine what caused the break. The 42" line owned by the City of Madison also broke in that same location.

The break is close to the toe of the levee, therefore the following agencies have been notified: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Illinois Emergency Management Agency and IEPA.

REPORT OF LANSDOWNE OFFICE MANAGER:

Ms. Worthen reported:

The May sewage treatment bills went out on time without any problems.

Illinois American Water Company is continuing to disconnect water for past due sewage treatment bills.

After reviewing the industrial and commercial user surveys, Juneau Engineering recommends meeting with Granite City Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant staff.

Jim Roth at Hurst-Rosche is continuing to meet with St. Louis Auto Shredding regarding accessibility to their metering station.

MINUTES:

The minutes for the May 3, 2017 meeting were presented for approval:

Motion Commissioner Hanfelder; 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 Hanfelder, McCall, Darwin and Pennekamp.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

GENERAL FUND CLAIMS:

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

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Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Darwin 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 Hanfelder, McCall, Darwin and Pennekamp.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

LANSDOWNE CLAIMS & SPECIFIC CLAIMS:

The Lansdowne Claims and Specific Claims were submitted for approval:

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Motion Commissioner Hanfelder; seconded Commissioner McCall 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 Hanfelder, McCall, Darwin and Pennekamp.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

LANSDOWNE REPORT:

The Lansdowne Adjustment Reports were presented for approval:

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

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

Ayes: Commissioners Hanfelder, McCall, Darwin and Pennekamp.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

PAYROLL:

The Payroll for the period of April 23, 2017 through May 6, 2017 was submitted for approval.

Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Darwin to approve the Payroll as submitted.

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

Ayes: Commissioners Hanfelder, McCall, Darwin and Pennekamp.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

REPORT OF ATTORNEYS:

Attorney Calvo reported:

MESD is in the process of forming a Special Service Area in St. Clair County to collect funds to repair the sewer line. Charlie Juneau and MESD staff members have been meeting monthly to keep the project moving forward.

The Letter to the Mayors is a request to repair the sewer system or pay MESD for the extra flow. MESD has been paying the Granite City Wastewater Treatment Plant for the excessive infiltration and inflow.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No action was taken on the letter to the mayors regarding excessive infiltration and inflow entering the Lansdowne sewer system.

NEW BUSINESS:

An Ordinance amending Ordinances No. 665, 686, 687A, 737, 747, 80-0-3, 84-0-8, 87-0-004, 88-0-004, 91-0-004, 95-0-001, 95-0-003, 98-0-005, 2007-0-007, 2007-0-009, 2008-0-003, 2008-0-007, 2008-0-008A, 2009-0-002, 2010-0-003, 2013-0-003, 2013-0-004 and 2016-0-008 entitled "An Ordinance Regulating: The use of public and private sewers and drains, private sewage disposal, the installation and connection of building sewers, the discharge of waters and wastes into the public system, and providing penalties for violations thereof; the levying of charges for wastewater services (use

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charges) in the Metro East Sanitary District, Counties of St. Clair and Madison, State of Illinois” was presented. Ordinance Number 2017-0-005 was assigned to this document.

No action was taken on Ordinance No. 2017-0-005.

Commissioner McCall said what a pleasure it has been working with Commissioners Hanfelder, Laub and Pennekamp, and appreciates their dedication and hard work while serving on the Board.

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

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

Ayes: Commissioners Hanfelder, McCall, Darwin and Pennekamp.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

So adjourned at 9:14 A.M.

Clerk