

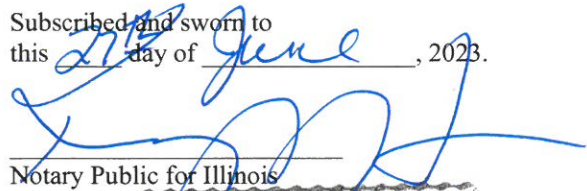
CERTIFICATION
OF MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING

I hereby certify that the attached minutes were reviewed and approved at the June 27, 2023 Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Mill Creek Water Reclamation District.



MARK HAMMOND
DISTRICT CLERK

Subscribed and sworn to
this 27th day of June, 2023.



Notary Public for Illinois



**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 6, 2023 SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
MILL CREEK WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT**

Meeting Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023
Place: SSA office in the Mill Creek Village Center, 39W250
Herrington Boulevard, Ste. R-1, Blackberry Township, IL
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Attendance: Trustees: Mark Hammond and Ben D’Andrea; James
Dougherty was absent
Others: Attorney Charles Radovich, Attorney Dan Whiston
via telephone, Jason Fowler and Kim Hoadley

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:

The agenda of the special meeting is as follows:

1. Call the special meeting to order.

Trustee D’Andrea called the special meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Attorney Radovich stated that all COVID mandates have been formally terminated.

2. Roll Call.

Trustees Hammond and D’Andrea were present in person; Trustee Dougherty was absent. Attorney Radovich advised that Trustee Dougherty was absent on business, that a quorum was present and the special meeting was for the specific purpose of discussing water and sanitary rate modifications and to provide guidance to consulting firm regarding rate structure.

3. Public Comment. No members were present at the open meeting and no public comment was received.

Trustee D’Andrea made a motion to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of discussing possible or pending litigation; seconded by Trustee Hammond.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – 2 Nay – 0 – Absent 1

At 12:14 the Board returned to open session.

At 12:15 attorney Dan Whiston joined the meeting telephonically.

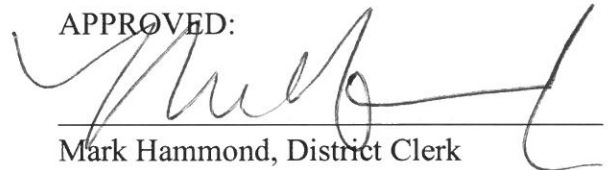
4. Discussion of Water and Sanitary Sewer Rate Modifications.

Radovich stated that the increase should include repayment of the west irrigation project, the bond issue, the recent judgement and normal operating expenses. Radovich also advised that the last rate increase was in 2013 and there have not been any rate adjustments in the last 10 years. The last increase was 38.1%. Jim Hare stated that inflation since 2013 was at 32%. The Board discussed the need to provide Trilogy with options of reduction on fixed debt, possibly a higher use rate for higher usage customers and the increased expense of providing the services as well as the wear and tear on the equipment. The Board agreed that they should request: (i) an additional increase in fixed costs; (ii) no new line item; (iii) variable volumetric rate; (iv) 50/50 or 40/60 increase as to rates and flat fees; and (v) recoup of last 10 years cost increases. Fowler stated that the District's fees were significantly less than local communities.

5. Adjournment

Motion by Trustee D'Andrea to Adjourn, seconded by Trustee Hammond, and adopted unanimously by roll call vote. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Hammond', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Mark Hammond, District Clerk