

**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 23, 2020 MONTHLY MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
MILL CREEK WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT**

Meeting Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020  
Place: Mill Creek Water Reclamation District Treatment Facility, 39W889 WELLINGTON WAY Blackberry Township, Kane County, IL  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Attendance: Trustees: James Dougherty, Mark Hammond and Ben D’Andrea  
Others: Charles Radovich, James Hare, Kim Hoadley  
Jason Fowler, Bob Skidmore (Shodeen, Inc.), Natalie Hammer, James Kunkel, Jennifer Dodds, Kevin Moneriff, Dave Montgomery, an anonymous caller, Gail Russell and Joel Nelson

**AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:**

**1. and 2.**

**CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL**

The monthly meeting of the Mill Creek Water Reclamation District Board of Trustees (“District”) was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Mill Creek Water Reclamation District Treatment Facility, Blackberry Township, Kane County, Illinois on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 by Trustee Dougherty. Trustees present were Mark Hammond, James Dougherty; Trustee D’Andrea participated telephonically.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PUBLIC COMMENT.** President Dougherty stated that due to the COVID 19 pandemic the Board is still operating under the temporary rules that were ratified at the April meeting.

Trustee Dougherty indicated that members of the public were present telephonically. He asked Natalie Hammer if she wished to address the board. Ms. Hammer wanted an update on the status of the water issue involving discolored water. Dougherty requested Jason Fowler, the operating engineer, to update the public.

Fowler advised that there was a failure of Well No. 2 equipment which caused the District to use water from Well No. 3. Fowler advised that Well No. 3 has hard water and is typically used only to supplement water supply during high demand water usage periods. The discoloration is caused by iron in

the water and the reaction of the iron with the chlorine. Fowler stated that Sheaffer & Roland received many calls, all of which their office returned and explained the situation. Sheaffer & Roland have been flushing the system to remove all discolored water and asked that anyone still experiencing discoloration to contact their office. Ms. Hammer stated that this addressed her concerns.

James Kunkel asked what is the film left on his bathtub. Fowler stated that oxygen causes the iron in the water to oxidize leaving behind a film. According to Fowler, the film is not harmful. Fowler stated that homeowners could do a regeneration of their water softeners to assist in the resolution.

Jennifer Dodds expressed concern over the quality of the Well No. 3 water and if additional testing would be done. Fowler stated that the water is tested every month under IEPA guidelines and indicated where to find the results of the Consumer Confidence Report. Ms. Dodds stated this was helpful information.

Joel Nelson asked if this could affect kitchen appliances. Fowlers said no. Homeowners could clean the filters/aerators on faucets.

Gail Russell stated she wanted to hear what was going on with the water.

Bob Skidmore, of Shodeen, Inc., stated he was here for the discussion of the Vista buildings. Trustee Dougherty advised that this was not on the agenda for June 23 and will not be discussed at this meeting. Dougherty explained that the Board is operating under the Governor's Executive Order and is limited in what it can currently do and that the Board will address the issue when they have enough information. Mr. Skidmore asked what did the Board need from him. Dougherty advised that the District is waiting on information from other vendors/advisors. Skidmore stated he wanted a legal opinion on this matter. Radovich advised that he represents the District and would not be presenting an opinion to anyone but the District and that the District would respond in due course.

3. **LONG RANGE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT.** No discussion.

4. **OLD BUSINESS.**

**a. Approval of the minutes of the May 26, 2020.**

Motion by Trustee Hammond to approve the meeting minutes of the May 26, 2020; seconded by Trustee D'Andrea.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion Approved

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Financial reports, including discussion and approval or disapproval of accounts payable list, treasurer’s report, financial statements, past due account payment plans and outstanding invoices.**

Motion by Trustee Hammond to approve the financial reports, including accounts payable, Treasurer’s Report, financial statements, past due account payment plans; seconded by Trustee D’Andrea.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion Approved

Motion by Trustee Hammond to reallocate \$25,000 from the contingency fund to Line Item 855.5 of the 2020 Budget.; seconded by Trustee D’Andrea.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion Approved

**b. Operations Report from Sheaffer & Rolland and discussion regarding the same.** Jason Fowler of Sheaffer & Rolland presented the report. Mr. Skidmore asked Fowler about the IEPA permit and the Vistas apartments. Trustee Dougherty advised Skidmore that the information was received on Friday before the holiday weekend and they have not been reviewed.

Motion by Trustee Hammond to approve (sic) accept the operations report as presented, seconded by Trustee D’Andrea.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion approved.

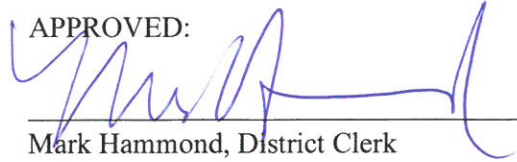
Dave Montgomery joined the meeting to discuss the water issue. Mr. Montgomery thanked the trustees for their participation on the Board. Fowler reiterated his early statements of the cause of the discolored water, the quality of the water and that they are flushing to remove all discolored water from the system. Fowler stated they have had clear water at the plant since June 3.

The President called on the anonymous caller for question. There was no response.

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Hammond to adjourn until the next regular meeting of July 28, 2020, seconded by Trustee D'Andrea and unanimously carried. The Meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion approved.

APPROVED:  
  
Mark Hammond, District Clerk