

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF FOX METRO WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT
HELD WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2014**

The Board of Trustees met in a regular monthly meeting at 9:30 A.M. in the offices of the District at the Water Pollution Control Plant on Wednesday, July 23, 2014. Present were, President James K. Detzler, Trustee Judith S. Sotir, Trustee Michael C. Funkey, Trustee Albert E. Heriaud, & Trustee Christopher F. Childress. Also present were Attorney Dallas Ingemunson, Philippe Moreau, Manager Thomas F. Muth, Matt Woodin, Chris Morpheu, John Frerich from Walter E. Deuchler and Norma Rodriguez. Also in attendance Leo Pawlowski Sr. from Northeast Neighbors.

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The bills were presented and read. It was moved by Trustee Sotir, that the bills be allowed as read, and that checks be drawn in payment account during the month of June 2014 in the amount of \$1,750,305.37 be ratified and approved. Motion was seconded by Trustee Funkey, put to vote and unanimously carried that the bills be paid as presented.

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It was moved by Trustee Sotir seconded by Trustee Funkey, put to vote and unanimously carried that the Treasurer's Report for June, be approved as submitted.

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It was moved by Trustee Sotir, seconded by Trustee Funkey, put to vote and unanimously carried that the minutes of the June 18, 2014 Regular Board Meeting be approved as written, each of the Trustees having received and read copies of said minutes before the meeting.

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With no New Business or Public Comments, It was moved by Trustee Detzler, seconded by Trustee Sotir, put to vote and unanimously carried that the Regular Board Meeting be temporarily adjourned for the Committee of Local Improvements.

The Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 9:35 A.M.

In the committee of Local Improvements Matt Woodin began by updating the Board on Building P Modifications. Matt reported that they have come up with a plan to reallocate space and are also addressing the outdated HVAC System which has passed its useful life. Matt reported that Phase 1 of the improvements is the new Billing Department and he outlined where all the work stations and equipment such as postage machine, fax machine and printers were located and the modifications that were completed to minimize the noise. A bullet proof window was installed and the wall was fortified to maximize staff safety.

Phase 1B of the improvements is the new public bathroom that will be built in the lobby of P1. This part of the project couldn't begin until Brenda, who sits at the

reception desk was moved over to the new Billing Department. This bathroom will be for public use and will prevent customers from having access to the rest of the building thus ensuring the safety of the employees. This single user, multi-sex bathroom will have a changing table and it will be handicap accessible.

Matt said they are still working on plans for Phase 2 which will happen in this budget year. Phase 2 would include moving the current women and men's bathrooms which currently are not handicap accessible and make them ADA compliant. The bathrooms will be moved where the old lab was located. They will take advantage of the open lab space to also build a new break room, mail room and a locked storage room for confidential documents that we currently store in the basement. There will also be a secured room built for the expired prescriptions that are collected through our expired prescription collection program. This room will have ventilation to avoid accumulation of fumes caused from the prescription drugs and this will create a safer work environment for the employees. The Janitor's closet will be moved. The current janitor's closet has the electrical equipment that is kept for the building. They want to separate the electrical source from the water source and this will also give the janitor the opportunity to start working without being disruptive to the rest of the staff in the office.

Matt said they started to evaluate the HVAC system and Chris Morphey had many concerns because the current system is thirty years old and causing numerous maintenance issues. It was realized that if all the remodeling was completed and then did the HVAC system, work would be duplicated. Matt met with engineers and did extensive research and looked at various contractors and found the technology that would save energy. We would still be able to use some of the water from the plant which will keep costs down. We are still going to be able to have use of the heat exchanger because that was just replaced in 2012. The new system will also allow us to control the temperature in each individual areas. The vision for the HVAC it will be split into two phases. Currently we have air handlers above the offices and they are very loud and it is uncomfortable for the employees that work in the office. Phase 1 of the HVAC remodel will happen during the next phase of Building P1 remodeling project. One of the systems will be replaced and each area will have their own individual unit that can control the temperature. There will be another unit placed in the basement that will provide fresh air. The advantage to this unit is that the air ducts are going to be considerably smaller so it will be easier to maintain and the only other additional equipment that will have to be added to each individual office is a refrigerant line.

Matt said Phase 3 of the project will affect the conference room, IT Department, the current bathrooms and the current break room. He said that they needed to give some type of a floor plan to the company that is designing our HVAC system so they would know what supplies they were going to need.

Matt added that this phase of the project includes updating and improving the current conference room. Currently is very small and that becomes an issue when there are

large meetings and the conference room in P2 is taken. Matt said that IT is having some issues, they have special equipment that they need to keep at an even cool temperature. Currently the whole room is warmer so what they are going to try and accomplish is to split the room. They will separate the equipment from the rest of the room, currently the billing machine and all of the computer equipment is in the same room and that generates a large amount of heat and is very loud. Also the current bathrooms would be moved to the old lab area but this can't be done until the new bathrooms are built. Matt said that the current bathrooms could not be updated to be ADA compliant because there is not enough turning radius for a wheel chair.

Trustee Childress asked what the expected cost of the HVAC would be. Matt said total cost including demolition would be an estimated \$600,000.00. Matt said the equipment is huge and it is going to be difficult to replace. Matt & Chris were given six different options to consider and based on the amount of maintenance and space those options would take, the project would be almost impossible to realize. The \$600,000.00 will be the total between the two phases. Manager Muth said that includes the old lab and the whole P1 Building. Matt said that originally they were looking at 1.2 million but kept working on trying to find the best way to get that number down. Trustee Childress said he thought the 1.2 million would be if the lab was upgraded. Matt said if they put the same type of equipment that we have in now, it would cost 1.2 million because the heat pump is very expensive. They are keeping the heat exchanger but they are getting rid of the heat pumps. Trustee Childress asked if that option was better than going with forced air because it sounds like the whole thing is getting gutted anyway. Matt said his option would be better because the forced air would be such a make- up air that it would be very difficult to maintain and it would be bad if there ever was a power loss. He said the option of forced air was looked at and there weren't any savings because of the amount of units that would have to be installed and they need a large amount of maintenance it needs and found that the option that they are going with is longer sustainable. Trustee Childress asked what is the system that they are going with. Chris Morphey said it is a variable refrigerant flow system, where the refrigerant lines go up in the cassettes in the ceiling tiles so instead of running 2 ½ inch hydronic piping from the basement to all the offices on the upper floor, They will be running smaller refrigerant lines to each office space area. Chris said this system is more efficient than the current system that is in place.

Trustee Childress asked if we have applied for DECA Grants for the projects. Trustee Childress said there are many large grants available and it should be a substantial reduction because we are removing fans. Chris Morphey said we are not removing all of them but are reducing drastically the amount of air that comes from outside that needs to be cooled or heated. They are removing the old fans that come with a higher power usage. Trustee Childress said everything that is removed is a credit from DECA or any energy efficiency programs. He said this was going to be a prescriptive program where we would have to apply and we would receive grants up to \$500,000.00.

Phillipe Moreau said we are far into the design that it could be a good time to contact DECA. Right now the project is being presented to the Board and if they approve it the next step would be to contact DECA to see if qualify for a grant.

Trustee Childress asked how close the design is to being completed. Manager Muth said the design is complete and are at the point of asking authorization from the Board to go out for bid this month for Phase 1 of the HVAC. Trustee Childress said the key is that the grant has to be approved before one dollar can be spent on the project.

Matt said the reason they are pushing for this is because there is a small window per year that this issue can be handled because there will be a time where there will not be any heat or air conditioning so they would like to begin this project in October.

Trustee Childress asked if there is going to be enough time to go to DECA and apply for the grants because it takes two or three months to complete the process. Matt said they would look into it.

Another questions Trustee Childress had was if we are changing the IT area he was assuming that there would be some sort of air conditioning in the IT room. Matt said this would be separate from the HVAC project. Trustee Childress asked if a sprinkler system would be installed in the IT room. Matt said they cannot install a sprinkler system because of all of the electrical equipment that is in there. Part of the remodeling plan is to make more room in the old janitor's closet to install some type of powder suppression. He said they are dealing with thirty year old electrical equipment that is outdated and they are trying to update it and make it safer as they continue with the project. Trustee Childress questioned whether that powder suppression should be in the IT room. Matt said it can be piped into the room.

The next topic in the Committee of Local Improvements Manager Muth wanted to discuss with the Board Overhead Plumbing and give them an overview and explain to them why this is important to the District. He told the Board that in April of last year we had a significant rain event and it impacted numerous homes with sewer back ups. He said in the meantime we have had three significant rain events in the last month. He said staff continues to meet with the municipalities either monthly or quarterly. Each Public Works Director in the Municipalities we serve is in favor of implementing an overhead sewer program. Manager Muth said the way the current sewer system is set up is that everything flows to the building drain and the sewer service goes to the city main. In case of a major rain event, many sewers get overloaded, the sewer surcharges and in some cases it enters people's basements and causes considerable amount of damage. The way to alleviate that issue is to have overhead plumbing installed. How this would work is all the first floor drainage would go into the piping system, which now instead of going underneath the footings of the house, the service will go through the middle of the foundation wall in the basement. All first floor drainage will go into the pipeline and with the outflow at the center of the foundation this will alleviate sewer surcharge to enter the basements. An ejector pit will be required in the basements of homes that have any wetbars, washers, toilets or washing basins. This will eject the service up and go into the service line.

Since the April 2013 rain event, many of the municipalities have entered into

agreements with homeowners where the municipality could pay up to \$5,000.00 to redo the plumbing in their homes so that they have the new configuration and prevent back-ups into their basements.

Manager Muth said the District would like this to be a standard guideline for new construction. Trustee Sotir asked with this standard is it going to be part of the building code. Manger Muth said it would. Trustee Sotir asked if residents would be required to do this and if other residents wanted to retrofit they would have the option to do it. Manager Muth said what he wants to do is ask the Board for approval to change the Ordinance to say that this will be required for all new building construction. Currently each individual municipality may or may not have a program for homeowners to retrofit old to new. Oswego, North Aurora, Sugar Grove and Aurora are currently the ones that have agreements in place to contribute funds to homeowners that want to retrofit their homes to overhead plumbing.

Trustee Childress believes this is a great idea, his only concern ejector pump failure because this is another mechanical devise that is being added. Manager Muth suggested installing an alarm in the ejector pump that will alert the resident when the pump is not working.

At 10:00 A.M. Manager Muth opened and read aloud bids received for Building K – Coating System Rehabilitation Project as follows: Tecorp Incorporated. – Total Bid \$318,750.00; LeCuyer Painting – Total Bid \$243,352.00; The Engineer’s estimate for this project was \$290,000.00. It was moved by Trustee Sotir, seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and it was unanimously carried that the low bid of LeCuyer Painting, be accepted for \$243,352.00 and the bid of Tecorp, for \$318,750.00 be held pending specification review by Fox Metro Water Reclamation District and Walter E. Deuchler Engineering Staff.

Manager Muth opened and read aloud bids received for Clarifier D6 Concrete Slab Repair Project as follows: Boller Construction, Inc., – Total Bid \$206,000.00; Kovilic Construction Co. – Total Bid \$239,000.00; The Engineer’s estimate for this project was \$170,000.00. We only had two bids and both bids were over Engineer’s estimate. Trustee Funkey asked if there would be a problem if this project was not done right away and go out and re-bid. Manager Muth said there would be a potential problem because they are in a situation where there is a tight window when this can be completed. The floor is in poor condition and the clarifier would have to be used in the winter. If work is not done right away it has the potential to affect the pumps and motors. He added that they did two clarifiers last year but couldn’t do three at the same time. Trustee Childress asked what the comparative price for this project was last year. Phillipe Moreau said that last year Boller Construction was the low bidder and they spent a lot more time on one of the clarifiers than was anticipated. Manger Muth said this is a difficult project because there are three to four inches of concrete grout that has to be removed from the clarifier without damaging the bottom and then replacing the concrete at the right elevation. Trustee Childress asked when the work would start on this project. Mr. Moreau said this project would have to start in August at the latest.

Manager Muth said the concrete has to cure in advance of the colder weather. The clarifier has to be up and running by the end of October. Trustee Childress asked if we delay the project and go out to re-bid, this project wouldn't be able to be completed until next year. Manager Muth said that was correct, the bidding process would have to be in the spring and start the project next summer. Trustee Sotir said she does not believe the differential is worth waiting that time frame because it is not guaranteed that it would be less if they would go out and rebid. Mr. Moreau said that due to the nature of the project, he believes this amount is what all the bids are going to be coming in at. Trustee Funkey asked what the immediate need was for this project. Manager Muth said in a rain event like the three that we have had in the last month, all the clarifiers that the plant had to be utilized and if they don't have one, the capability of treating the 85 million gallons that is received can be jeopardized. Mr. Moreau said the potential problem is that there is scaling and it can go into the underground piping and cause problems. Manager Muth said the clarifier is functional but it could create problems. They would then have to go and fix the other problems that this clarifier is causing and those are added expenses. Trustee Childress understands the need for this project but wondered if they waited until the spring would there be more competitive pricing. Trustee Sotir said this is something that no one knows or can guarantee. Manager Muth said next year he would address the Board with the same issue but it is unclear what the price of concrete will be and if the bids will be any lower. Boller Construction did the work for last two clarifiers and they know how difficult the project is that is why their bid is higher this time. Trustee Sotir said she doesn't believe the differential is enough for them to throw out the bid and believes they should accept the bid from Boller Construction, Inc. It was moved by Trustee Sotir, seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to a roll call vote and motion was carried by a vote of 5 to 0 in favor that the low bid of Boller Construction, Inc., be accepted for \$206,000.00 and the bid of Kovilic Construction, for \$239,000.00 be held pending specification review by Fox Metro Water Reclamation District and Walter E. Deuchler Engineering Staff.

Phillipe Moreau advised the Board that only one bid was submitted for the last project and added that seven contractors picked up the plans, there was a pre-bid meeting for this project three contractors attended the meeting and only one submitted a bid. Mr. Moreau asked Attorney Dallas Ingemunson if the bid could be opened with only one submission. Attorney Ingemunson said that it was not an issue. Trustee Childress asked what this bid was for and Manager Muth said it is a safety requirement, there are four buildings that need to have an upgrade for health, safety and welfare. Warning lights and sirens need to be installed in case of a Methane Gas leak. Those buildings generate a lot of noise and the employees may not be able to hear the alarm, therefore warning lights have to be installed so the employees can also have a visible alarm. Trustee Sotir said these types of projects are important and need to be budgeted regularly and don't wait until situations occur before addressing the issue. Trustee Childress asked if the District had an employee that could not smell Methane gas. Chris Morphey said that there is one utility worker that cannot smell Methane gas working at the plant. Manager Muth opened and read aloud the bid received for Gas and Heat Detector Modifications Project. The bid was from Frank Marshall Electric – Total Bid \$251,000.00; The Engineer's estimate for this project was \$253,000.00. It

was moved by Trustee Sotir, seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and it was unanimously carried that the low bid of Frank Marshall Electric, be accepted for \$251,000.00.

Trustee Funkey asked if seven contractors picked up packages for this project, why did only one submitted a bid? Phillipe Moreau said the contractors pick up the plans based on the advertisement that they see in the Dodge Report. Once they pick up the plans and review them some of them may not be interested in the job based on their expertise or timing they may also look at requirements and instructions to bidders when the project needs to be completed. There are a number of reasons why contractors may not be interested in bidding for the jobs.

Trustee Childress asked if this project had to be completed at a specific time or if this project can be held off until fall or winter when there may be some more competitive pricing. Manger Muth said Frank Marshall has been doing many projects at the District for a very long time and we are very happy with the quality of work that they have performed. Trustee Funkey said the bid is so close to the Engineer's estimate because it is Frank Marshall but he would just like an explanation why the urgency to do this project. Manager Muth said if there is a Methane gas leak and an employee working in the building doesn't smell it, would be a safety issue. Trustee Sotir said she believes it is a health and safety issue. Trustee Funkey asked if any portable units can be purchased. Chris Morphey said they have portable alarms right now but are not adequate.

Trustee Childress asked if an inquiry can be done and ask the contractor's that picked up contracts but didn't bid, the reason why they didn't do so. Mr. Moreau said they would do that. Trustee Sotir said because this is a health and safety issue and it is within the Engineer's estimate that the bid should be accepted.

At this time the meeting was resumed with the Committee of Local Improvements and Manager Muth continued with the topic of overhead plumbing. He said that he hopes that overhead plumbing is incorporated into the ordinance because he feels it is a health, safety and welfare for the citizens, municipalities and Fox Metro.

Trustee Sotir wanted to clarify the fact that there was going to be assistance for residents in some municipalities if residents wanted to convert to overhead plumbing. Manager Muth said there are four municipalities that have a program in place where a homeowner that currently does not have overhead plumbing can receive assistance for a bonded contractor to go and redo the plumbing in their house. In some cases it may be up to \$5,000.00. It will also depend if they have a finished basement or not. If they don't have a finished basement they have a lot of flexibility but if they have a finished basement it will be very difficult. Manager Muth said it is easier with new construction that is why he would like an ordinance to pass requiring all new residential units have overhead plumbing.

Trustee Childress wanted to know the estimated cost differential with overhead plumbing versus what is in place now. Matt Woodin said there is some offset cost because they will not be digging the service as deep and if all the neighborhood is hooked up to overhead plumbing Fox Metro does not have to figure the mains as deep so there is cost savings. Manager Muth said it means extreme cost savings for Fox Metro because that is three to four feet less in elevation for us.

Trustee Sotir said her main concern was that there are some problematic areas and if this is something that is going to be required and an ordinance is passed that there will be options for those residents who live in those areas. Manager Muth said the Village of Oswego has given that option to some of their more problematic areas. Aurora has done that as well along with Sugar Grove and North Aurora. Matt Woodin added that in the instances where those villages have assisted residents, the resident must have had a number of incidents before they would get the assistance. If a customer has never had a problem in their property, the village will not be able to assist them.

Manager Muth moved on to the next topic and advised the Board that the District may encounter a problem with the Illinois Plumbing Code that was passed April 28, 2014. The Illinois Department of Public Health oversees upgrading the Plumbing Code. They are falling back to an Administrative Code that was enacted August 1, 2000 and notified the City of Aurora that any of their ordinances that are in place are null and void because the Department of Public Health has not approved their ordinances. Taking this into account he doesn't know what this means for Fox Metro's ordinances. Attorney Dallas Ingemunson believes we should get Linda Chapa Lavia involved in this because we need legislative help. He believes we should get Linda Chapa Lavia and a representative from the City of Aurora and discuss this issue here at the Board Meeting. Manager Muth said what this means to us is that he is not one hundred percent sure whether the pipes that we have for sewer service lines, they could put something less acceptable than what our organization stands for and the obvious is our Grease Trap Ordinance that was enacted in 2005 is much more stringent than the Illinois State Plumbing Code and this could severely impact what we do on our Grease Trap Program. Trustee Sotir asked Attorney Ingemunson if that was the case and we had to follow with a less stringent Illinois Code, would that have an impact on somebody who we had required in the past to do this. Are they going to be able to come back to Fox Metro and say that they don't have to do it anymore because of the Illinois Plumbing Code. He doesn't believe they could but stated that we should take this one step at a time. He said we should wait to see what Linda Chapa Lavia has to say about this and believes that this is an issue that can be resolved.

Manager Muth said the way this was discovered is that the Fox Metro's licensed plumber was notified by the Department of Public Health and was told that if he didn't follow the new Plumbing Code he would lose his license. Also, the City of Aurora had a surprise inspection by the Department of Public Health and they brought their attorney and told them that they had problem because they hadn't submitted all their ordinances for approval and they had to follow the code that they passed on April 28, 2014. Trustee Sotir asked if the reason for this issue is because the ordinances haven't been

submitted. Manager Muth said this is something that hadn't been enacted until 2014. The Illinois Department of Public Health hadn't followed the rules that they had enacted in 2000, they haven't had their three year inspection that they are supposed to have at every municipality. The IEPA inspects our plant every year because that is part of their requirement. The Illinois Department of Public health is supposed to go to each municipality to make sure that they are enforcing their codes but they have not been doing that. Trustee Sotir asked how is having something more stringent a problem. Attorney Ingemunson said they should wait to see what Linda Chapa LaVia says. Trustee Funkey wanted to confirm that the center of the problem was that any ordinances that are more stringent now have to be approved. Attorney Ingemunson said they are not going to be approved either. Manager Muth said the only thing that has changed between the North and the South of Illinois, North is considered North of I80, is the fact that we have to put our plumbing outside the building deeper because the frost line is deeper. They don't want all these different rules and regulations. Trustee Funkey asked if they are saying the Department of Public Health must approve ordinances that are more stringent. Attorney Ingemunson said they will not approve any ordinances that are different than theirs. Trustee Childress asked if any of our ordinances have ever been approved, Manager Muth said no because we didn't know that they had to be submitted to them for approval. The City of Aurora was not aware of this requirement either.

Matt Woodin said the District is ruled by the IEPA and they tell us that we have to meet certain criteria we specify higher quality materials to reduce I & I and the Illinois Plumbing Code is the bare minimum and they don't have that protection built in their code. On the grease trap issue, if a restaurant wants to put in a grease trap that the plumbing code is stating, we have the right to go back and monitor them and surcharge them for anything that is going through the grease trap, however that would be monthly fines to all these restaurants. We believe is better to install the correct equipment and avoid that whole process. Trustee Sotir said this is a good point to bring to Linda Chapa Lavia that this would be more problematic to the owners to have to pay a monthly fine as oppose to just getting the correct equipment to begin with. Trustee Childress asked what the basis of our ordinances were. Phillipe Moreau said it was good practice because there are some things that are not necessarily an EPA requirement but the experience that we have especially in the public works business.

Manager Muth said fifteen years ago there were surcharge sewers in many areas of the District due to grease back ups. The city came to us and asked what we can do for them and we enacted our grease ordinances and the impact to the homeowners is less back ups, we are getting less grease at the District because it is being taken care of at the source. Trustee Childress said this data should be given to Linda Chapa Lavia. Trustee Sotir said we should bring the IEPA into that concept. Manager Muth said is going to start asking more questions as to where we can get more help from them.

The Regular Board Meeting reconvened at 10:50 A.M.

Attorney Ingemunson addressed the Board with the Attorney's Report. Attorney Ingemunson requested consideration of approval for out-of-state credit Authorization IMRF form 6.33 for Wayne Rydecki. Manager Muth stated that the payback based on the accountant's data was approximately three and a half years (3.47). Comparing what is going to cost for this employee to the cost the district had from the buyouts that happened in 2013, its about half of the less expensive one we had last year. Manager Muth said that he leaves this up to the Board for approval. Wayne Rydecki is a 13 year employee and he wants to transfer what he paid in Florida and put it into IMRF.

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It was moved by Trustee Sotir, seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and carried by a vote of 4 to 1 in favor of the approval of out-of-state Credit Authorization IMRF Form 6.33for Wayne Rydecki.

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Phillipe Moreau requested approval of Partial Payment No.6 to Frank Marshall Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$46,521.00 for North Aurora Pump Station MCC Replacement Project. It was moved by Trustee Sotir seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and unanimously carried that payment be made in the amount of \$46,521.00 to Frank Marshall Electric, Inc., for work completed on North Aurora Pump Station MCC Replacement Project.

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Phillipe Moreau requested approval of Partial Payment No.1 to Frank Marshall Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$41,733.00 for Service B Upgrades Project. It was moved by Trustee Sotir seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and unanimously carried that payment be made in the amount of \$41,733.00 to Frank Marshall Electric, Inc., for work completed on Service B Upgrade Project.

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Phillipe Moreau addressed the Board with the Engineer's Report. Mr. Moreau requested approval of Partial Payment No. 8 to Whittaker Construction & Excavating for Building K & L Modifications – Interior Improvements in the amount of \$133,540.80. It was moved by Trustee Sotir seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and unanimously carried that payment be made in the amount of \$133,540.80 to Whittaker Construction & Excavating for Building K & L Modifications – Interior Improvements Project.

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Phillipe Moreau requested approval of Partial Payment No. 3 to Mechanical, Inc., in the amount of \$160,875.00 for the Air Main Header Replacement. It was moved by Trustee Sotir, seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and unanimously carried that payment be made in the amount of \$160,875.00 to Mechanical, Inc., for work completed on the Air Main Header Project.

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Phillipe Moreau requested approval of Partial Payment No. 8 to Steve Spiess Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$59,143.96 for Montgomery/Sugar Grove Interceptor Phase II. It was moved by Trustee Sotir, seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and unanimously carried that payment be made in the amount of \$59,143.96 to Steve Spiess Construction, Inc., for Montgomery/Sugar Grove Interceptor Phase II project.

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Phillipe Moreau requested approval of Partial Final No. 2 to H. Linden & Sons Sewer and Water, Inc., in the amount of \$55,174.30 for Calhoun Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project. It was moved by Trustee Sotir, Seconded by Trustee Heriaud, put to vote and unanimously carried that payment be made in the amount of \$55,174.30 to H. Linden & Sons Sewer and Water, Inc., for work completed Calhoun Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project.

At this time, Manager Muth addressed the Board with the Manager's Report. Manager Muth requested authorization to seek bids for the Farnsworth Avenue Pump Station MCC Replacement to be opened at 10:00 A.M., August 20, 2014 at the Board of Trustees Meeting. This is an old pumping station that is in needs of some major upgrades to the thirty year old electrical equipment.

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It was moved by Trustee Childress seconded by Trustee Sotir, put to vote and unanimously carried to seek bids for the Farnsworth Avenue Pump Station MCC Replacement to be opened at 10:00 A.M., July 23, 2014 at the Board of Trustees Meeting.

Manager Muth requested authorization to seek bids for Pleasure View Estates Sewer Rehabilitation to be opened at 10:00 A.M., August 20, 2014 at the Board of Trustees Meeting. Manager Muth said that during the televising of the sewer it was discovered that there are some areas that need rehabilitation and the amount to complete these repairs is greater than \$40,000.00.

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It was moved by Trustee Sotir seconded by Trustee Hariaud, put to vote and unanimously carried to seek bids for the Pleasure View Estates Sewer Rehabilitation to be opened at 10:00 A.M., August 20, 2014 at the Board of Trustees Meeting.

Manager Muth requested authorization to seek bids for Building P1 HVAC Renovations to be opened at 10:00 A.M., August 20, 2014 at the Board of Trustees Meeting. Matt Woodin said the savings by using this system is going to be approximately 30% but there will be substantial savings in the maintenance costs. They want to get as much equipment as possible out of the basement. The system that is in place now it is highly efficient from the standpoint that water from the plant is being used. Matt said Chris Morphey has done a great job in working with John Frerich in looking into all the options available. Matt said he is not familiar with the DECA rules but he and John Frerich do not believe that there will be a substantial savings because of the unit that we have and the one that we are going to replace it with but they will still apply and go through the process.

Manager Muth asked if this project should be moved back one month to check if savings can be obtained from DECA. Matt said this project was to begin last month but delayed it by a month because there is only a small window when this work can be performed because there will be no heating or cooling into the building. Trustee Childress asked if this was a budgeted project. Matt confirmed that it was budgeted

and it included the phase 1 of the HVAC and Phase 2 of the remodeling the rest will be budgeted for the next fiscal year.

John Frerich said they have some time before any work starts on this project so they will take that time to contact DECA and find out if they are eligible to receive any grant money. Manager Muth said he would update the Board regarding any information that is received from DECA. Trustee Funkey asked Trustee Childress if he has a problem going out for bid. Trustee Childress said the Board is going to get an update and that we should be able to go to DECA and explain to them the project and ask them if we qualify for any grants. Mr. Moreau said DECA will let us know if we are eligible, they won't be able to tell us how much we qualify for but at least we will know if we are eligible or not.

Matt Woodin said during one of their meetings Chris Morphey brought up the point of us getting grant money and he believes that Ryan from KJWW told him that we were not eligible for grants for this project. He believes it is because we are still keeping some of the equipment. Trustee Childress said if we are decommissioning some of the equipment such as taking out motors which reduce power it would be eligible for funds.

Manager Muth said he would give the Board an update next month on this issue. Trustee Funkey said this will not prevent us to go out for bid. Attorney Ingemunson said it does not.

At this time it was moved by Trustee Sotir seconded by Trustee Hariaud, put to vote and unanimously carried to seek bids for Building P1 HVAC renovations to be opened at 10:00 A.M., August 20, 2014 at the Board of Trustees Meeting.

Manager Muth reported to the Board that documentation was submitted for plant analysis to the National Associations of Clean Water Agencies for 2013 and we were eligible and received the Silver Award. He said we had great plant performance and considering personnel changeover we had, he is very proud of the performance of the staff especially with the learning curve of the new employees, the leadership of the staff and the help we receive from Deuchlers when we had a problem or issue. He said it has been a collaborative effort and is proud to present this to the Board.

Trustee Sotir wants to make sure that this is posted on our Website and also asked the Board to take a look at our new website because it has improved dramatically. All the changes that have been discussed in past Board meetings regarding the website have been implemented.

Trustee Childress asked if the District has done any type of celebration in recognition of these awards with for the employees to say thank you. He said he would be willing donate and come in and grill Burgers if we decide to do it. Manager Muth said will try to do it in August right after the Board Meeting.

Trustee Sotir said when we have an accomplishment such as this, it needs to be highlighted because these recognitions make a difference and putting them on our website and the newspapers is important and also include a statement that emphasizes the gratitude towards the employees for the work they performed in achieving this award. She said we need to publicize when we achieve something good not just when something goes wrong.

Manager Muth asked the Board to review their IAWA Meeting packet. This year's meeting will be held in Lisle and to advise who will be attending so that the proper arrangement can be made.

Trustee Sotir said she has noticed a major difference in the kinds of presentations that they have. There are more things geared towards Board members than they were in the past.

Chris Morphey reported that the plant experienced nine inches of rain in June. There were two significant rain events, one on June 21, 2014 and July 1, 2014 the CSO facility in Building T was on line and we did fairly well through those. We treated 85 million gallons through the plant and did several other million gallons through Building T.

Jimmie Delgado reported that finances are good and everything is running well.

With no other business to come before the Board, it was moved by Trustee Sotir, seconded by Trustee Funkey, put to vote and unanimously carried that this meeting be adjourned, there being no Executive Session this month.

The Meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M