

**Delaware County Regional Wastewater District
Board of Trustees**

December 5, 2018

Members present: President R. Maynard, Mr. R. Hensley, Mr. P. Olson, Mr. R. Hensley, Mrs. B. Ragland and Mr. L. Crouch.

Ex-Officio Member: Jeff Turner, Del. Co. Health Department

Staff present: Attorney D. Struble, Director J. Richards, and Mrs. P. Ring.

Others present: Mr. Rob Bellucci and Mr. Wayne Bailey, Commonwealth Engineers

President Maynard opened the meeting at 3:00 P.M.

Mrs. Ragland moved to approve the November 7, 2018 meeting minutes. Mr. Hensley seconded. Motion passed 4-0 with one abstention.

President Maynard moved to approve the claims from November 1 through November 30, 2018 totaling \$257,054.14. Mr. Brooke seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Director Richards thanked the staff and Board for a good year. He reported everything is going smoothly in the office and field. The treatment plant in Country Village is filled in and was inspected by IDEM beforehand.

Attorney Struble stated there was a replevin hearing against Attorney Mark Abrell December 3, 2018; he was ordered during the hearing to return the District's paper files that afternoon to Attorney Struble. She did receive them. Attorney Struble asked Mrs. Ring to cut a check for \$880.00 (the remainder owed to Attorney Abrell) so she may deposit the funds into the trust account until the next hearing on January 29, 2019. **Mr. Olson motioned for Mrs. Ring write a check in the amount of \$880.00 for deposit into Attorney Struble's trust account for Attorney Abrell to be held until the hearing on January 29, 2019. Mr. Brooke seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

Mr. Brooke reported the Finance Committee discussed the Budget for 2019 that was presented to them. He stated it is an excellent budget even with the 3% raises for the employees and the increase in employee insurance. The difference in the budget from 2018 to 2019 is a \$150,000.00 reduction. **Mr. Brooke thanked Director Richards for the good work on the Budget and Director Richards thanked Mrs. Ring for her legwork on the Budget. Mr. Brooke motioned to accept the 2019 Budget as presented. Roll call vote: President R. Maynard, yes; Mr. R. Hensley, yes; Mr. P. Olson, yes; Mr. R. Hensley, yes; Mrs. B. Ragland, yes. Motion passed 5-0.** The policy handbook is to be sent out to the Board so it may be approved at the first meeting of the year.

Mr. Rob Bellucci presented the Progress/Status report and the Memo to the Board; discussion was held. The report is attached to the minutes. There is Royerton/Westbrook alternative that is recommended will cost 3.76 million. The vast majority of the loan would be eligible for a 35 year loan period; some of it for a period of 40 years due to it being a pipe project. No permanent land acquisition will be required although temporary access easements will be required during construction. Timeline for this project was discussed. Mr. Brooke asked if agencies would loan while two projects are going on. Mr. Bailey stated yes depending on loan structure; one loan for Royerton as pipe construction and the other for Westbrook INI issues. Mr. Bellucci will revisit the combined basin cost and will be prepared to take action in January; he will have information to the Board by Christmas.

Greg Rhoades, 2405 E. Elder Ln., addressed the Board. He is paying on a forbearance agreement in the amount of \$150.00 per month in order to pay off his arrears and bring his status to current. He would like to meet with the hardship committee to discuss possible options for relief. The hardship committee will meet with him to discuss his bill.

Hearing no further comments, President Maynard adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. R. Maynard, President