

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

**August 3, 2022**

**Members present, roll call:** Mr. W. Walters, Mr. R. Maynard, Mrs. J. Boyce, Mrs. B. Ragland, Mr. R. Hensley and Mr. P. Olson.

**Ex-Officio Member:** not present

**Staff present:** Director Richards, Mrs. P. Ring, and Attorney Hoover

**Others present:** Mr. Rob Bellucci and Mr. Thomas Barclay, Commonwealth Engineers

**President Walters called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.**

President Walters asked for a motion to approve the July 6, 2022 meeting minutes. **Mr. Maynard motioned to approve the July 6, 2022 meeting minutes. Mrs. Boyce seconded. Motion passed 6-0.**

**Mr. Olson motioned to approve the claims from June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 through July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 totaling \$262,774.29. Mr. Maynard seconded. Motion passed 6-0.**

Director Richards read the monthly Westbrook disbursement request; Commonwealth in the amount of \$18,177.00. **Mr. Maynard motioned to pay the disbursement request in the amount of \$18,177.00. Mrs. Ragland seconded. Motion passed 6-0.**

Director Richards stated the past due collection total for last month was \$2787.03 and the past due collection total for this month is \$2363.08. Everything is going great in the office; the new PCs are in and installed. July was a wet month and so there was an overflow event in the Westbrook area; we got 8.5 inches in a twenty-four-hour period, no system can hold that. Scott Friend and Director Richards attended a pump class put on by Xylem in Indianapolis. The magmeter for 600 W in Westbrook has been delivered and will be installed as soon as possible. The Dale Harker (White Castle) lift station is now in our name and the AEP billing information is also in our name.

Attorney Hoover reported the committee representing the District met with Muncie Sanitary District representatives on July 25<sup>th</sup>. MSD installed a flow meter at Tanglewood and our Board will need to decide if they want to keep the meter or continue with the flat rate for billing purposes. Tanglewood has a closed grinder system and Gripp was hired by MSD to look at flow totals for the area. Director Richards contacted Mr. Barlow with MSD and Mr. Barlow gave him the flow numbers; more will be known in 30 days. Discussion was held regarding staying with a flat rate or going with a reading for our billing from Muncie Sanitary; they are going to wait until more info is known. A motion is needed to give Director Richards authority to purchase a new pump; the quote has been sent to the Board. **Mr. Olson motioned for Director Richards to purchase a new pump for the Royerton area. Mrs. Boyce seconded. Motion passed 6-0.** Baker Tilly has not sent Jennifer Wilson Muncie Sanitary's financials pertaining to our contract with them. The Board needs a motion to give Jennifer Wilson permission to

work with MSD's rate consultant. **Mr. Olson motioned to give Jennifer Wilson permission to work with MSD's rate consultant, Baker Tilly. Mr. Maynard seconded. Motion passed 6-0.** Regarding the IMI contract; they have added a new restrictive covenant that lasts for fifty years; it states that the use of the property has to be for a wastewater treatment facility. Discussion was held regarding the covenant IMI added to the contract.

Ashli Smith of Spotted Monkey addressed the Board. She reported seeing Facebook and YouTube growth. She recorded a video of Director Richards introducing himself and telling a bit about the District; she plans on doing a series of videos. There are about 1500 customers who can receive e-mails and there will be a generic e-mail set up for the office to reply to.

Mr. Thomas Barclay reported that he, President Walters, and Mr. Al Stong met with SRF and they are interested in funding the Wes-Del and Oakville projects. We will submit applications for funding to both SRF and Rural Development. Commonwealth will need four – six months to study those projects; the Board needs to submit the funding applications by April 1, 2023. Mr. Rob Bellucci recapped the Board about the agreed order we have with IDEM regarding compliance planning. There will be a twelve-month monitoring period for the 600 W lift station with respect to SSO events; the monitoring was started on August 1<sup>st</sup> and we will report back to IDEM with the findings. Commonwealth should receive the permit for the Royerton Relief Project any day now, and then we may advertise and go to bid for that project.

Director Richards stated there is a quoted increase of 5.4% in our current medical healthcare plan for the employees; there was a decrease last year, Northpoint will shop other plans and get back to us with the results.

Hearing no further comments, President Walters adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



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Mr. W. Walters, President