## Delaware County Regional Wastewater District Board of Trustees

## July 12, 2023

Members present, roll call: Mr. W. Walters, Mr. R. Maynard, Mrs. J. Boyce, Mr. P. Olson, Mr. J. Taulbee

and Mrs. B. Ragland.

Ex-Officio Member: not present

Staff present: Director Richards, Mrs. P. Ring, Attorney Barchet

Others present: Mr. Rob Bellucci, Commonwealth Eng.; Mrs. Ashli Smith, Spotted Monkey

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

Mrs. Boyce motioned to approve the June 7, 2023 meeting minutes. Mr. Maynard seconded. Motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Taulbee abstaining.

Mr. Olson motioned to approve the claims from June 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 totaling \$231,351.74. Mr. Maynard seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

Director Richards asked for a motion to renew the Kansas City Life dental and vision policy for the employees; there was no premium change. Renewal date is October 1, 2023. Mrs. Ragland motioned to renew the KCL vision and dental policy. Mrs. Boyce seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

Director Richards stated the delinquent collection amount is \$2,150.39 for all areas. Five properties that were capped off have been reconnected and one capped off. Invoice Cloud has increased their payment fees to the customer; notices were posted on our website, Invoice Cloud payment site and sent in e-mail notices. We still offer to process ACH payments through the office at no charge. Muncie Sanitary District's July billing will reflect the new rate for treatment cost.

Mr. Bellucci reported on the bids for the Royerton Relief Sewer Project. He stated all contractors are booked out; there is more money available through ARP funds than there are contractors available to do the work. Director Richards and Mr. Bellucci met with the contractor who bid the Royerton Relief project and found the bid was high due to the cost of dewatering and bypass pumping. They discussed ideas to get the cost of the project down and the contractor will get back with them. The Delaware County Commissioners want a decision from us soon as to whether we reject the bid and re-bid the project or accept the bid. President Walters would like to hold a special meeting to discuss the issue of possibly rebidding the project on July 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. This decision about rebidding will be tabled until this meeting. Mr. Bellucci will reach out to SRF for bond rate, payment, and term.

Attorney Barchet was going through our old liens and found a lien had been improperly placed on a property in our District and it has been released. The closing on the Farm Bureau building is on the 21<sup>st</sup>

of August; we can then put it on the market. **President Walters motioned to engage Ricky Sipes to be** the Realtor. Mrs. Boyce seconded. Motion passed 5-0 with Mrs. Ragland abstaining.

Mr. Maynard asked where we are with the shell building in Daleville. President Walters replied they were granted ARP money so we do not need to be involved in that project.

Mrs. Smith outlined her report that was sent to the board. She posted notifications of the fee increases for Invoice Cloud on the website and it was also sent in e-mails to our customers.

Hearing no further comments, President Walters adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. W. Walters, President