

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Local Improvements of the Fox River Water Reclamation District held on Monday, August 28, 2017 at the Administration Building at 1957 North LaFox, South Elgin, Illinois. Present were President Bruce Corn, Vice President Benjamin Bernal, Clerk/Treasurer Gary Hyman, Trustee Arthur Malm, and Trustee Steve Rauschenberger.

Staff present included Executive Director Bob Trueblood, Technical Services Director Beth Vogt, Finance Manager Nazer Uddin, Assistant Clerk Kim Narvaiz and Attorney Doug Schefflow.

President Corn called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES AUGUST 14, 2017**

Trustee Rauschenberger made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hyman, to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2017 Board of Local Improvements as written. Ayes, Trustees Corn, Bernal, Hyman, Rauschenberger, Malm. Nays, none.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**DISCUSSION ONLY – CONSERVATION EASEMENT DRAFT COVENANTS AGREEMENT**

TSD Vogt provided a summary of background information regarding the Conservation Easement Draft Covenants Agreement. She reminded Board Members that at a previous meeting, the Board of Trustees agreed to waive service fees for acreage that has been dedicated to a conservation easement on the property. The service fee ordinance has subsequently been modified to provide for waiving service fees on conservation easements. This Conservation Easement Agreement clarifies that if the acres are ever developed in the future, service fees will become due. The draft agreement has been reviewed by District staff and is under review by the Attorney for Mr. Huang. There was little discussion.

**TECHNICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

TSD Vogt reported that at this time Judson University is not interested in meeting with District Staff. Judson representatives have indicated that they are currently in the fund raising phase of their soccer field project and would like to hold off meetings until they know they can secure funding. Staff has made sure that Judson has copies of the applicable easements for the sewers. Additionally, TSD Vogt commented that Staff has received 60% design drawings for the Middle Street Pump Station and is currently in the process of reviewing these plans. An agreement between FRWRD and Bluff City for this project still needs to be completed.

Lastly, TSD Vogt wanted to make the Board aware of an existing agreement between FRWRD and Illinois American Water Company to treat wastewater from a subdivision called Elgin Estates. The agreement requires flow per capita not to exceed 150 gpd/person or excess service fees can be assessed. Staff has sent a letter to Illinois American to advise that for 3 months in a row the average flow per capita was 196 gpd/person. Based on the agreement, \$104,000 in excess service fees should be paid or Illinois American should identify additional activities to reduce inflow and infiltration into their sewer system. Illinois American has called staff regarding the letter and indicated they will be meeting internally to review their options and will get back to FRWRD. Trustee Malm commented that lateral lining would likely cost Illinois American Water upwards of \$2,000 a home.

A written summary of the status of development projects was provided to the Trustees.

**ADJOURN**

As there was no additional business, Trustee Hyman made a motion, seconded by Trustee Bernal, to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 A.M. The next meeting is scheduled for 9:00 A.M. Monday, September 18, 2017. Ayes, Trustees Corn, Bernal, Hyman, Rauschenberger, Malm, Nays, none.

Respectfully Submitted

Kim Narvaiz, Assistant Clerk

APPROVED:

Bruce R. Corn, President

Gary Hyman, Clerk-Treasurer