Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Local Improvements of the Fox River Water Reclamation District held on Monday, January 27, 2020 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 Steve Rauschenberger, and Trustee Marty McCormack.

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES JANUARY 13, 2020

Trustee Hyman made a motion, seconded by Trustee Rauschenberger, to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2020 Board of Local Improvements as written. Ayes, Trustees Corn, Bernal, Hyman, Rauschenberger, McCormack. Nays, none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION TO APPROVE - VARIANCE TO THE OUTSIDE GREASE SEPARATOR REQUIREMENTS FOR WILLOW LAKE ESTATES CLUBHOUSE, 161 WEST RIVER ROAD, BUILDING "B", ELGIN

Trustee Rauschenberger made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hyman, to authorize staff to issue a variance to the outside grease separator requirement in Ordinance Number 896, Exhibit B.004 for the Willow Lake Estates Clubhouse at 161 West River Road, Building "B" in Elgin.

There were no questions; President Corn called for a vote. Ayes, Trustees Corn, Bernal, Hyman, Rauschenberger, McCormack. Nays, none.

TECHNICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Technical Services Director Vogt reported that the new Middle Street Pump Station Project is still moving along. The new 10-inch HDPE line along the Prairie Path is nearly complete and the new PVC forcemain on the south side of Middle Street is complete. The crossing under Middle Street hasn't been installed yet. TSD continued that Bluff City is already asking to receive agreement from FRWRD to issue additional connection permits. FRWRD staff indicated that the new pump station needs to be fully operational, including the generator, controls, and communication with District SCADA system before staff would agree to allow additional residential permits to connect. Staff would like to work with Attorney Scheflow to obtain some additional security on deposit from Bluff City to ensure the remaining work gets completed if permits are issued before the contractor completes the remaining work.

Additionally, TSD Vogt reported that the meter to bill Illinois American Water has not been working since September 2019. Staff has had to estimate the flows using historical data and rainfall data to determine an accurate estimate. Staff has sent an email to Illinois American, which was provided to the Board, indicating that this is unacceptable and that going forward they will be billed at the max capacity of the meter until the meter is fixed. The email also indicated that FRWRD intends to invoice the additional capacity that was originally determined in August of 2017 since there has not be a reasonable effort to fix the problems. Staff has not heard any response back from Illinois American Water since the email was sent out. Trustee Rauschenberger asked why staff thinks there hasn't been a response. TSD Vogt responded that this area is small compared to other areas that Illinois American Waters services so it might not be a high priority for them. Trustee Rauschenberger asked if Illinois American can absorb the cost of the additional capacity invoice into the rates. ED Trueblood responded it is possible but they are regulated by the ICC so there current rates may be locked in for a few years.

ADJOURN

As there was no additional business, Trustee Bernal made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hyman, to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 A.M. The next meeting is scheduled for 9:00 A.M. Monday, February 10, 2020. Ayes, Trustees Corn, Bernal, Hyman, Rauschenberger, McCormack. Nays, none.

Respectfully Submitted

Kim Narvaiz, Assistant Clerk

APPROVED:

Bruce R. Corn, President

Gary Hyman, Clerk-Treasurer