

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF MANAGERS DISTRICT NO. 4**  
**JUNE 24, 2015 @ 3:00 P.M.**  
**NORTHERN REGION CONFERENCE ROOM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Messrs. Gary Ambrose, Thomas Batt, Robert Harris, and Jesse C. Nikonowicz, Sr.

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Kristin McCracken

**OTHERS PRESENT** Messrs. Glenn Absolom, Joseph Fiegl, Richard Rehac, Matt Salah, and Ms. Brenda Rehac

**ITEM NO.1-CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Vice Chairman Ambrose called the meeting to order at 3:01.

**ITEM NO.2-APPROVAL OF APRIL 15, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Jesse C. Nikonowicz, Sr., moved, seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the April 15, 2015 meeting minutes. The motion carried 4-0.

**ITEM NO.3-ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

**ITEM NO.4-NEW BUSINESS**

On a motion by Mr. Nikonowicz, Sr., moved, seconded by Mr. Ambrose to interrupt the regular District No., 4 meeting at 3:02 for the Combined Budget meeting. The motion carried 4-0. The regular District No. 4 Board meeting reconvened at 3:32.

a. Presentation and Approval of 2014 Budget

i. Proposed 2016 Budget (Handout)

The 2016 Budget was presented by Mr. Fiegl to the Board during the Combined Budget Meeting. Mr. Nikonowicz, Sr. moved, seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the 2016 budget as proposed. The motion carried 4-0.

ii. 271 Resolution (Handout)

After the Combined Budget Meeting, Mr. Fiegl presented the 271 resolution to the Board for review and approval. Approximately 32%, 7%, and 61 % of the total sanitary sewer tax levy of \$6,023,129 shall be raised from the assessed value, footage and flat charges, respectively.

*Item 2*

Mr. Harris moved, seconded by Mr. Nikonowicz, Sr., to approve Resolution 271 with a flat charge of \$180.00 (\$180.75 in the Village of Depew) and footage charge of \$.60. The motion carried 4-0.

b. Hidden Meadows Subdivision (Handout)

Mr. Batt discussed the letter provided to the Board regarding the Hidden Meadows Subdivision. The developer, 5980 Armor Duells Road, LLC, has requested the District 4 Board of Managers consider Erie County to provide materials for a section of Aurora North sanitary sewer trunk line. Mr. Batt suggested the item be tabled awaiting further discussions with the contractor for the Aurora North Pump Station Elimination Project. On a motion by Mr. Nikonowicz, Sr., seconded by Mr. Harris, to table item 4b. The motion carried 4-0 to table item 4b.

c. I&I Approval for Compliance Hearing (Handout)

The Board reviewed a copy of the property owner at 15 Maple Drive in Bowmansville that has not completed their house inspection and requires a Compliance Hearing. Mr. Batt moved, seconded by Mr. Harris to move forward with a Compliance Hearing. The motion carried 4-0.

**ITEM NO.5-OLD BUSINESS**

a. Town of Lancaster Dog Control Property (Handout)

The Town of Lancaster has accepted the County of Erie's offer to purchase the Lancaster Dog Control Property which is located directly adjacent to Erie County's Northern Region Offices for \$50,000 "as is", with closing costs not to exceed \$10,000. District No. 4's contribution towards the purchase price and closing costs are 50%.

On a motion by Mr. Nikonowicz, Sr., seconded by Mr. Batt, the ECSD No. 4 Board of Managers recommended that the Division of Sewerage Management proceed with the purchase of the Lancaster Dog Control Property SBL#104.08-7-7.1. The motion carried 4-0.

b. Contract 40RB-Aurora North PS Elimination (Handout)

Contract 40RB bids were opened on April 16, 2015 and Concrete Applied Technologies Corp. dba Catco was the low bidder with a bid of \$7,833,515.00. The Board was previously polled on the award and voted unanimously to award to Catco. On a motion by Mr. Nikonowicz, Sr., seconded by Mr. Harris, the ECSD No. 4 Board confirmed the poll recommending that Contract 40RB, Aurora North Pump Station Elimination Sanitary Sewer Project be awarded to Concrete Applied Technologies Corp. dba Catco. The motion carried 4-0.

**ITEM NO. 6-MISCELLANEOUS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

a. Operation Reports (Handout)

Mr. Rezac updated the Board with the operation reports for the months of March, April and May. In May the facilities staff set up and ran a rather complicated bypass of Iroquois Pump Station in order to replace a broken suction valve on the #2 pump. The District is presently

putting specifications together for an upgrade to the Broadway East Pump Station involving new VFD's and a new PLC for level control and to control the discharge valves.

Earlier in the year ECSD No. 4 had plugged sewers, in different sections but affecting the same resident at 5723 Genesee St., within a span of two months. The staff followed up on this by flushing the entire system down to the Pleasantview Pumping Station. They removed the likely culprits, a couple of pieces of plywood, but encountered a bigger problem. At the Stony Road crossing just south of Ellicott Creek, the District could not get a flusher through the 12" crossing from either direction. Shortly thereafter, the CMTV crew televised the line and discovered a badly deformed piece of PVC pipe. A contract is being bid that would replace 137' of PVC inside the casing pipe. The section is 25 + feet deep. Further investigation by downtown engineering determined that the PVC pipe was manufactured by Carlon, used for a fairly short period of time in the construction industry. CMTV just returned to the Northern Region and they were given work orders to televise all the road crossings that were installed under this contract as well as the creek crossing on Stony Road under Ellicott Creek.

b. Pretreatment Report

None

c. Construction Status Report

i. Stony Rd Sanitary Sewer Repair Contract No. 49-Bid Schedule (Handout)

For the Boards information, a copy of the bid schedule was provided for the Stony Road Sanitary Sewer Repair. Bid opening is scheduled for July 15, 2015. A phone poll is scheduled for July 16, 2015 with confirmation at the October 7, 2015 meeting.

ii. Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project-Bid Schedule (Handout)

For the Boards information, a copy of the bid schedule for Contract No. 74 was provided. The bid will be advertised in the Buffalo News on July 3, 2015 and the opening of bids is scheduled for July 17, 2015.

d. Payments (Handout)

Three (3) invoices were paid to CRA totaling \$12,858.13 for Vanderbilt PS Flows.

e. (T) Lancaster Correspondence (Handout)

i. Ground Settlement Issues (Handout)

The Board received a copy of Supervisor Fudoli's letter regarding settlement issues on Walden Ave., at the intersection at the west end of Eastport and Walden Avenue and Ripa's Restaurant on the corner of Walden and Pavement. Supervisor Fudoli has also requested the Division of Sewerage Management investigate sanitary sewer trench settlement in the Summerfield Farms Subdivision on Avain Way. A copy of the follow up letters from Mr. Fiegl was provided to the Board. It appears that from the CCTV footage, the sanitary sewer near Ripa's Restaurant is in very good condition and the settlement most likely was due to the extreme winter conditions causing frost upheaval in the pavement. The settlement concerns on Avian Way were

investigated by a DSM Sewer Repair Supervisor. Again, it was suggested due to the harsh weather conditions, it may have been due to frost upheaval. Mr. Harris agreed there were unprecedented problems caused by last year's winter. Mr. Fiegl noted, the soil conditions and groundwater information did not conclude why the settlement occurred in the past at Eastport and Walden Avenue. Mr. Fiegl suggested the Town of Lancaster, along with the DSM continue to monitor Eastport.

f. (V) Depew-Thank You Letter (Handout)

The Board received a copy of the thank you letter from the Village of Depew's Mayor, Mr. Nikonowicz, Sr., for the departments help in providing assistance with a high manhole at the baseball diamond at Firemen's Park.

Mr. Ambrose made a motion to receive and file items 6a-f. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

**ITEM NO. 7 ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING**

With the passage of the budget, Mr. Nikonowicz, Sr., moved, seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the motion and cancel the July 15<sup>th</sup> meeting and schedule for the following meeting on October 7, 2015. The motion carried 4-0.

On a side note, Mr. Fiegl commented on the 2% Tax Cap with respect to the recently passed budgets. As the sewer district levies are part of the County's overall tax cap calculation, there is additional coordination required prior to finalization. If any changes are necessary, the Board of Managers will be informed.

On a motion by Mr. Ambrose, seconded by Mr. Batt to adjourn the meeting at 3:51. The motion carried 4-0.

**\*\*\*NEXT MEETING\*\*\*  
Wednesday, October 7, 2015 @ 3:30 pm  
Northern Region Admin Bldg.**

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Batt, P.E.  
Board of Managers  
Secretary District 4

Motion to approve minutes of \_\_\_\_\_

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved/Disapproved: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

TB:br