

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF MANAGERS DISTRICT NO. 4  
FEBRUARY 11, 2015 @ 3:30 PM  
NORTHERN REGION CONFERENCE ROOM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Gary Ambrose, Mr. Thomas Batt, Mr. Robert Harris,  
Ms. Kristin McCracken and Mr. Jesse C. Nikonowicz, Sr.

**OTHERS PRESENT** Mr. Glenn Absolom, Mr. James Carr (3:50), Mr. Joseph Fiegl (3:45),  
Mr. Richard Rehac, and Ms. Brenda Rehac

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

Ms. McCracken called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm. Mr. Fiegl joined the meeting prior to his arrival via phone conference call.

**ITEM NO.2-APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, MEETING MINUTES**

Ms. McCracken moved, seconded by Mr. Batt to approve the October 8, 2014 meeting minutes. The motion carried 5-0.

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

There were no items from the public.

**ITEM NO.4-NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Garguilo v. ECSD No. 4 and ECSD No. 1 (Handout)

The Board received a copy of the letter from Mr. Dale Bauman, The Carey Firm, LLC, withdrawing the Notices of Claim previously served on Erie County Sewer Districts 1 and 4.

**ITEM NO.5-OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Town of Lancaster Dog Control Property (Handout)

Mr. Fiegl stated as noted in the handout, two options were presented to the Town of Lancaster regarding the purchase of the Lancaster Dog Control Property. Based on those options, the Town of Lancaster chose option No. 2; whereas the County agrees to purchase the property "as is" for \$50,000.00. In addition, the Town will be responsible for the removal of the large fill piles located on the property. Mr. Fiegl will have the County Attorneys prepare a formal real estate contract. The allocations for districts 1-4-5 will be presented at a future Board of Managers meeting.

*Item 2*



b. Contract 40R-Aurora North PS Elimination

i. Status and Bid Schedule (Handout)

The handout the Board received included the project status and bid schedule. Bids were advertised on January 27<sup>th</sup> and the bid opening is scheduled for February 27, 2015. During the week of March 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Board of Managers will be polled via email or phone for award of contract.

ii. Resident Informational Meeting (Handout)

The Board received a copy of the letter mailed on January 20, 2015 to homeowners regarding the Aurora North Pump Station Elimination Project. The informational meeting was held February 9, 2015. There were approximately twelve (12) homeowners present. Mr. Batt stated there were several questions posed by the homeowners and the meeting went well.

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

a. Operation Reports for September-December(Handout)

Mr. Rehac updated the Board with the operational report for the months of September through December. During the extreme snowfall event in November, the district was able to have adequate staff on hand throughout the event. Staff worked around the clock for a couple of days clearing snow and maintaining access to the pump stations. The extreme melt off and rain event that followed kept staff again working around the clock. Sand bags were used at Bowmansville, Haskell and Pleasantville. Considering the magnitude of the storm effects, it was handled pretty well. There were no major pump station issues since the last meeting outside of normal maintenance items.

Mr. Fiegl also noted it is critical that the County has equipment such as portable pumps, generators, front end loaders, and supervisors with County vehicles for just such an event. Supervisor vehicles were particularly valuable as they were allowed to pass through most of the driving ban areas where others were being turned away. The County vehicles were able to pick up staff members for work who otherwise were unable to make it in. Though at times there were very trying conditions, Mr. Fiegl did not hear any complaints from the staff and he commended the field workers for their dedication. After the storm ended, Mr. Fiegl had an informative meeting with the supervisors to discuss lessons learned including the strengths and weaknesses they experienced during the storm.

In addition to the handouts, Mr. Rehac discussed a plugged sewer at 156 Wendell St., in Lancaster on January 15<sup>th</sup>. The line was flushed and the blockage relieved. The line was surcharged again in the afternoon and evening. The homeowner informed the supervisor on site, there were road bores performed for two neighboring homes. Staff had reason to believe National Fuel Gas may have pushed a gas service through the sewer. Staff was called in to set up a pump and pump around the problem through the night. Mr. Rehac met with National Fuel gas and the drilling contractor the following morning. After investigating the UFPO (underground facilities protective organization), it was found that the UFPO was mishandled. A sewer repair crew was then mobilized and the repair was completed. There was a homeowner affected by the blockage that took in water in a below grade addition to his home. A claim against the County was put in by his insurance company with an estimate yet to be determined.

b. Pretreatment Report (Handout)

Initial inspections at Food Service Establishments in the district are near complete. 172 inspections have been completed.



c. Construction Status Report

Aurora North Elimination Project was discussed in Item 5b. Rehabilitation plans for the Iroquois and Broadway East Pump Stations are pending the bidding of the Aurora North project.

d. District Payments (Handout)

The Board received a copy of the payments to CRA and CMH. Mr. Batt will confirm the correct dates.

Mr. Fiegl discussed Salvatore Restaurant's plans for a hotel addition which will include a covered walk-way from the restaurant to the hotel with approximately an 18' clearance. The walk-way is directly over the sanitary sewer mainline. One option available for the developer would be to relocate the sewer with Erie County Sewer providing the materials and the developer responsible for the installation of the main. Should this option be pursued, the Board will be conferred with further.

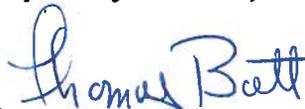
Mr. Harris moved, seconded by Mr. Batt to receive and file the miscellaneous & informational items. The motion carried 5-0.

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

Mr. Harris moved, seconded by Mr. Ambrose to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 pm. The motion carried 5-0.

**\*\*\*NEXT MEETING\*\*\*  
Wednesday, April 15, 2015 @ 3:30 pm  
Northern Region Admin Bldg.**

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Batt, P.E.  
Board of Managers Secretary

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

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

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

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

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

TB:br

