Meeting of the Commissioners of the
Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District

Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.
Virtual GoToMeeting
Present:  
Commissioner Tom Hovel  
Commissioner Beth Bookland  
Commissioner Ken Clark  
Commissioner Sara Eskrich  
Commissioner Grant Foster (excused absence)  
Commissioner Ezra Meyer  
Commissioner Brad Murphy  
Commissioner Mary Swanson  
Commissioner Tom Wilson

Commission Meeting

1. Opening
   A. Call to Order at 8:00 a.m.
   B. Welcome Guests:  Dave Sarbacker, City of Middleton and Greg Fries, City of Madison
   C. Virtual Meeting Guidance
   D. Announcements

2. Appearances by the Public

3. Consent Calendar
   A. Approval Meeting Minutes from 9-10-2020
   B. Expedited Annexation – 2020-08 Theis Trust Property, City of Madison
   C. Review and Approval of Sewer Extension Plans:
      New Construction Projects:
      • Tanimarah Ridge, Village of Dane
   D. Abatement of 2021 Property Tax Levy

Discussion: The 9-10-2020 minutes, expedited annexation #2020-08 for Theis Trust Property (2020-09-24-R1), a sewer extension plan (2020-09-24-R2) and abatement of 2021 property tax levy (2020-09-24-R3) were reviewed and placed on file.

Action: Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Murphy to approve all items on the consent calendar. Motion carried.

4. Public Hearing and Discussion on the Proposed 2021 Operating, Capital Projects, and Debt Service Budgets

Presenters: Michael Mucha, Chief Engineer and Director
Description: Public hearing on the 2021 District budgets
Discussion: Mr. Mucha gave a brief recap of the budget presentation he gave on September 10, 2020 and the Commission held a public hearing on the proposed 2021
Operating, Capital Projects, and Debt Service Budgets. No persons spoke at the public hearing; therefore, the hearing was closed. After the hearing, the Commission provided guidance to the Chief Engineer and Director for preparation of the budget for budget adoption on October 29, 2020.

**Action:** No formal action taken.

5. **Approval of Contract Award and Increase Total Project Cost: Pumping Station 17 Force Main Relief Phase 1**

**Presenters:** Eric Hjellen, Project Engineer

**Description:** The Commission is requested to approve an increase in the total project cost for the Pumping Station 17 Force Main Relief-Phase 1.

**Discussion:** Mr. Hjellen presented information on the financial impact, background, analysis and options, and next steps for Commission consideration. After discussion the following action took place:

**Action:** Commissioner Meyer moved, seconded by Commissioner Eskrich to approve resolution # 2020-09-24-R4 with the addition of a correction in the resolution (adding a $ sign) in the second clause under the “Therefore Be It Resolved” section. Motion carried.

6. **Study Session on District Pretreatment Approach to Engaging Commercial and Industrial Users around PFAS**

**Presenters:** Martye Griffin, Director of Ecosystem Services

**Description:** Commission study session.

**Discussion:** Mr. Griffin presented information and led a discussion of the Commission on the topic. The Commission provided feedback related to the staff approach to engage industrial and commercial users of the collection system to reduce PFAS compounds.

**Action:** No formal action taken.

7. **Chief Engineer and Director’s Report**

Items to be covered include but are not limited to:

A. **CED Update**

   Mr. Mucha gave an update to the Commission on District happenings. He informed them of an ammonia exceedance and cause of, the District winning the NACWA 2019 Silver Peak Performance Award, an upcoming catalytic project and he showed a few slides of an artistic mural at the Pumping Station 8 location.

B. **Regulatory/Legal Review**

   Regulatory/Legal Review Report: Legal Counsel Vanessa Wishart provided a brief legal and regulatory update to the Commission.

C. **August Operations Report**

   Operations Manager Alan Grooms gave an update on the August plant performance and flow data.
D. Future Meeting Schedule

8. Future Agenda Topics

9. Other Business allowed by Law

10. Adjournment

   Action: Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Meyer to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

   Motion carried.

Regular Meeting of the Commissioners
September 24, 2020

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Mary Swanson, Secretary

Future Meetings:
October 15, 2020
October 29, 2020
November 12, 2020