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Muskegon County Board of Public Works  
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MINUTES  
November 14, 2013

Terry J. Sabo, Chair	Ben Cross, Vice-Chair
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sabo at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL

Present: Kim Arter-Ex-Officio Member, Brenda Moore, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Susie Hughes, Charles Nash, Terry Sabo, Robert Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins

Excused: Benjamin Cross, Doug Kadzban-Ex-Officio Member

Staff

Present: Doug Hughes, Corporate Counsel; Bonnie Hammersley, Administrator; Stephanie Barrett, Deputy Drain Commissioner, John Warner, Public Works Director; Mark Eisenbarth, Wastewater Director; Lisa Chalko, Board/EEO Liaison, Mary Mack, Public Works Temporary Secretary

INTERIM DEPUTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER

Chairman Sabo thanked Ms. Stephanie Barrett for stepping in and assisting the Drain Commission Office in the capacity as Interim Deputy Drain Commissioner.

Commissioner Hughes also noted that Ms. Barrett has been appointed Deputy Drain Commissioner.

INTRODUCTION

Drain Commissioner Brenda Moore was introduced and recognized as a voting member of the Public Works Board.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

BPW-13-108 It was moved by Hughes, supported by Wilkins, to approve the agenda as presented.  
Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BPW-13-109 It was moved by Nash, supported by Hughes, to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works meeting held on 10 October 2013.  
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AN AGENDA ITEM

There were no public comments on any agenda items.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

BPW-13-110            It was moved by Derezinski, supported by Hughes, to accept the Johnson & Anderson proposal for the design and construction engineering of a 300 foot +/- extension of a 12-inch water main south along Creston from Forest and to bid the construction of the project once designed with costs being paid from the Regional Water System Fund 5910-0552, and further authorize the Chair to execute the agreement with Johnson & Anderson.

ROLL CALL:

Yes:            Derezinski, Engle, Hughes, Moore, Nash, Sabo, Scolnik, Wilkins  
Excused:      Cross  
Motion carried.

BPW-13-111            It was moved by Derezinski, supported by Wilkins, to authorize staff to apply for funding under the SAW Grant Program in the amount of \$937,553 and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Resolution Authorizing the SAW Grant Agreement.

VOICE VOTE:

Motion carried.

BPW-13-111            It was moved by Nash, supported by Hughes, to authorize staff to advertise for bids the farm implements listed above for the Wastewater System.

ROLL CALL:

Yes:            Derezinski, Engle, Hughes, Moore, Nash, Sabo, Scolnik, Wilkins  
Excused:      Cross  
Motion carried.

BPW-13-112            It was moved by Wilkins, supported by Nash, to authorize Wastewater Staff to bid the replacement of the gas chromatograph/mass spectrophotometer.

VOICE VOTE:

Motion carried.

INFORMATION ITEMS

BPW-13-113            It was moved by Nash, supported by Wilkins, to accept and place on file the following:

- 1)     Public Works Monthly Operations Report, October 2013
- 2)     Wastewater Monthly Operating Report, October 2013
- 3)     Muskegon County Regional Water System Policy Board Meeting Minutes of 08 October 2013 (Draft)

VOICE VOTE:

Motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Nash asked if Mr. Warner had investigated other uses for the excess landfill gas. Mr. Warner noted at this time, there is not excess landfill gas, however, he has investigated a plan to condense the gas to liquid, however this would not be an economical process as the start-up equipment is quite expensive.

Commissioner Derezinski inquired as to when the older, capped landfill banks quit producing methane. Mr. Warner noted the older, capped banks don't stop producing the gas but it will decrease considerably. He noted even with the decrease, the gas is still of good quality.

Commissioner Nash inquired about the marsh project. Mr. Eisenbarth noted it appears that the marsh project is impacting the groundwater levels to the west as a homeowner has reported to the Drain Office that his farm pond has come up three feet since the marsh has begun filling. The Department of Environmental Quality, Duck Unlimited and the Muskegon County Drain Commissioner will be meeting to discuss the groundwater levels downstream of the filter marsh. From the information gathered, the group will determine what the options will be to complete and achieve the maximum water quality benefits.

Commissioner Hughes noted the filter marsh is coming along and Muskegon Newaygo drain is now draining to the marsh. Mr. Eisenbarth noted there are currently hydraulic issues with the groundwater to the west of the marsh and until these issues are resolved, Muskegon Newaygo Drain and JTB&S Drain will be redirected into the original Hall Drain.

### NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Warner introduced Ms. Mary Mack who is filling in for Ms. Fisher. Ms. Mack was welcomed.

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON A NEW ITEM

None.

### ADJOURNMENT

BPW13-114 It was moved by Wilkins, supported by Derezinski, to adjourn the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

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Terry J. Sabo, Chairman