

# Swan creek Water District

Record of Proceedings  
Thursday, April 13, 2017

The meeting began with The Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 p.m.

Roll call attendance showed the following Board members present: Shawn Albert, Dale Brunner, Mark Fowler, Walter Lange and Randy Walker. Also present were Tina Whalen, Office Manager, and Cindy Fowler, Office Assistant. Visitor list attached.

**Minutes Approval from Regular Meeting on March 23, 2017- Motion** was made by Trustee Lange, seconded by Trustee Brunner, to approve the meeting minutes from March 23, 2017. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes; Lange, yes; and Walker, yes. Motion Carried.

## **Manager's Report –**

**Cash Summary by Fund** was given to the Board for review.

**Resolution 2017-13** was reviewed and signed by the Board. Details of this resolution are in the March 23, 2017 meeting minutes.

**March's Fund Activity Report** was given to the Board's Treasurer, Mark Fowler for review.

**Purchase Orders** were reviewed and initialed by the Board.

**April's Billing Summary & Usage Report** was given to the Board for review.

**March's Bank and Investment Statements** were reviewed and initialed by the Board.

## **Treasurer's Report**

**Bill Payments –** After Trustee Fowler reported that he has gone over all the bills:

**Resolution 2017-14** was motioned by Trustee Fowler, Seconded by Trustee Walker to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$9,693.51. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes; Lange, yes; and Walker, yes. Motion Carried.

## **Inspector's Report**

New Tap AT 5191 County Road 5 is scheduled for installation on Friday, April 14, 2017. There is a water assessment already on the property. Tom will be present for the installation of the tap.

## **New Business**

### **New Mandate by EPA to Educate Customers on Cross Connections**

The EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) has come out with new mandates to entities that operate water systems. One of the new mandates is to educate the public annually on Plumbing Cross Connections. Ziad Musallam, Fulton County Sanitary Engineer created an educational flyer to send to the Northeast Water District customers and one for Swan creek Water District which will be sent out to customers with their June Bills.

**Economic Development Membership** information was presented to the Board by Township Trustee Kazmierczak. This group was formed approximately 4 years ago. They offer a membership program that uses a tiered format, and a commitment of 3 years. The Township currently has a membership. The Township feels it is a good idea to collaborate and work with this group. The groups focus is bringing new businesses to the area, as well as working on local job retention and expansion. The Board will do some research and meet with Matt Gilroy again before making a decision on committing to a membership or not. This topic will be on the next agenda under "unfinished business."

**Unfinished Business**

**Infrastructure Study Needs** were discussed by Trustee Brunner and Trustee Lange. Trustee Lange and Trustee Brunner recently met with the Village of Swanton Administrator (Rosanna Hoelzle) and the Swanton Water Plant Superintendent (Bryan Hildebrand) to discuss if the Village of Swanton would be a viable alternate water source for the Swancreek Township. The Village of Swanton said they would be able to accommodate the estimated water needs of the Swancreek Township water customers as well as in the case of a Water Emergency. Trustee Lange also provided the Village of Swanton Water Rates for comparison. The taste issues that the Village of Swanton had in the past have been resolved with large charcoal filters commented Trustee Lange.

Trustee Lange presented a copy of a recent article from the Toledo Blade regarding alternate Water Sources. Trustee Lange summarized the article as that even though we are getting water from Toledo the recommended course of action is to keep looking into alternative water sources.

Trustee Brunner asked Trustee Kazmierczak if he knew someone from the Village of Delta that we could contact. Trustee Kazmierczak gave him a variety of names that he could contact for information.

**Public Forum** - Trustee Brunner opened the floor to the public after stating that: DUE TO PENDING LITIGATION, THERE WILL BE NO DISCUSSION ON THE ROAD 3, EF & PEACEFUL VALLEY PROPOSED PROJECT.

Sharon Niedzwiecki said she would like changes made to the minutes from the last meeting to reflect more accurately what she had stated. Tina said she would listen to the minutes.

Jim Wagoner said there was a portion of his conversation with Trustee Fowler that was left out of the minutes. He said the ladies do a good job with the minutes but feels the minutes are sometimes skewed in the District's favor.

**Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation-** At 7:25 p.m. **Motion** was made by Trustee Lange, seconded by Trustee Fowler to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes; Lange, yes and Walker, yes. Motion Carried.

At 8:11 p.m. **Motion** was made by Trustee Albert, seconded by Trustee Brunner to return to regular session. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes; Lange, yes and Walker, yes. Motion Carried.

**Adjournment** – At 8:12 p.m. Trustee Albert moved to adjourn seconded by Trustee Walker. Motion Carried.

**Up Coming Meeting**

Next two regular meetings are scheduled for Thursday, April 27, and May 11, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

SWANCREEK WATER DISTRICT BOARD

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Mark Fowler

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Dale Brunner

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Shawn Albert

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Randy Walker

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Walter Lange, Water Board Secretary