Minutes

Board Meeting of January 15, 2020

THE BOARD OF SANITARY COMMISSIONERS conducted a regularly scheduled meeting in the Auditorium on the first floor of City Hall in Muncie, Indiana.

Board members present were: William Smith, Michael Cline and Joseph Evans.

Department managers and staff present were: Mark McKinney, Legal Counsel; Deana Cox, Financial/Billing Manager; John Anderson, District Engineer; Jason Donati, Stormwater/Recycling Educator and Megan Huff, Administration Office Manager.

Public: Deanna Haughn; Brian Stephens-Hotopp; Dan Ridenour, Muncie Mayor and Ernest Bowling.

Consideration of Minutes: Mr. Cline moved to approve the minutes as submitted for the December 18, 2019 meeting. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved (2-0).

Consideration of Claims: Mr. moved to approve the Register of Claims for \$5,394,474.65. Mr. seconded the motion. The motion was approved (3-0).

Mr. Smith said we just received a letter from the City said one of the Board members need to resign, but that is not going to happen today. He said our attorney will address that issue now. Mr. McKinney said about 5 minutes before the meeting was supposed to start our new Mayor approached one of our commissioners demanding that he resign because he was being replaced by the new City Engineer. He said the letter he was handed said his appointed term was ending due to the appointment of the new City Engineer. Mr. McKinney said the Mayor indicated that he did not care which Commissioner resigns, but that one would be replaced. He said he would review the statute and we will make those arrangements if needed. Mr. McKinney said that we will precede the meeting because even if one Commissioner does resign we will still have two valid votes of majority.

Mr. Smith said obviously the professionalism of handing someone something before the meeting starts and back tracking it is pretty unprofessional, but probably what our new Mayor has done has been that way. He said we have 140 employees and two have been indicted and that leaves 138 employees so saying they are guilty is one more aspect of the unprofessionalism we have seen from the Mayor. He said it was really strange that the Mayor left his job for a less paying job, but he's not going to go into that and lower himself to those standards. Mr. Smith said we are not having public comments today, but we are going to approve the claims and minutes.

Old Business:

None.

New Business: (these were all tabled)

- 1. Election of Officers.
- 2. Resolution 2020-01, a Resolution Amending the Holiday Schedule for 2019. Megan Huff, Executive Office Manager.
- 3. Change Order #1 on Project76L-19, 1523 S Jefferson. John Anderson, District Engineer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Huff, Administration Office Manager

Approved by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners

Muncie Sanitary District

William Smith, President

Michael Cline, P.E., Vice President

Joseph Eyans, Secretary