

Minutes of the South Richland Conservancy District's Board Meeting

November 12, 2020

ZOOM (On-line) Meeting

In attendance were: Joe Hunting, Chairman; Doug Garvison, Vice-Chairman; Jamie Schiff, Treasurer/Financial Clerk

The minutes from the Board's meeting on August 13, 2020 were approved.

Paul Stork from Wood, LLC gave an update on the groundwater remediation project, displaying site plans reflecting recent sampling results and graphs showing data trends. The seventh stability monitoring event took place in September, as did the annual groundwater monitoring event, the latter of which involved the sampling of thirty wells. The results show the plume to be stable. There are still some contaminants in MW-59(46), in the source area west of the Acument building, but concentrations drop off significantly for wells under the building and further east (downgradient).

The eighth stability monitoring event is scheduled for December, which will involve the sampling of a dozen wells. It is anticipated that this will be the end of quarterly groundwater monitoring. Wood will propose to IDEM annual sampling of a subset of wells. The last significant comments from IDEM on the project were received in 2018 when Wood had completed the remediation performance monitoring. IDEM had asked for some figures to be prepared. According to Wood, IDEM recognizes the site as a candidate for closure.

Rich Martin provided a report on the water line's operation. Daily average water usage for August was 7,182 gal.; for September, 5,158 gal.; and for October, 4,464 gal. There have been a few locate calls but none with impacts on the water line. There was an incident where the smoke alarm went off at the booster station. The fire department was dispatched. No issues were identified. Rich recommends that the fire department have access to the station on an emergency basis in the future. Rich will provide his recommendation for the mechanism to accomplish this.

There was discussion regarding the future closure of the Acument plant, which has been announced. This could require more frequent flushing of the water system.

There was discussion regarding whether there was the need to take measures to maintain the booster station exterior and weed control around it.

The accounting firm Crowe, LLP will be retained to assist with the District's annual financial report.

One Board position (Doug Garvison) is up for re-election in 2021. Advertising of such took place in the Rochester Sentinel last month. Doug's petition for re-election has been received. None other have been yet submitted (deadline is December 1).

The Annual Meeting of the Conservancy District is scheduled for Thursday, February 11, commencing at 5:30 p.m. It will be a Zoom Meeting due to social distancing measures.

The meeting was thereupon adjourned.

Submitted

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jamieson Schiff", written over a horizontal line.

Jamieson Schiff, Treasurer/Financial Clerk