

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the South Richland Conservancy District

May 15, 2013

Fulton County Library, Rochester Branch

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

The minutes from the February 13, 2013 Board meeting were approved.

There was a discussion as to how best to communicate information, including upcoming Board meetings, to the property owners in the conservancy district. It was noted that Textron had not been sending out newsletter since the end of last year. Textron will recommence the sending out of newsletters. It was also discussed how information could be communicated to property owners in the case of an emergency as it was noted that contact information is not currently available for all property owners in the event of an emergency. System operator Rich Martin is working on an emergency plan as part of the district's water management plan, a component of which will provide for contacting home owners and Rich will endeavor to obtain contact information. The next Textron newsletter will indicate that Rich will be contacting homeowners for the purpose of obtaining this information.

Greg Myroth from AMEC provided an update on the water line project. The contractor, H&G Underground Utilities, has been working to complete the punch list of items, which had been delayed due to weather conditions. H&G provided a warranty as to the water line work. At this point AMEC believes everything has been completed except for minor odds and ends. There is some seeding in yards that won't take that will have to be revisited in the fall. AMEC has been in contact with each homeowner to make sure there are not any outstanding issues, including any pertaining to landscaping. One issue that was noted is that two homes have been experiencing water that has a yellow color to it. This is believed to be associated with chlorine in the water that is coming into contact with materials in the pipes in these homes and would be expected to clear up over time.

Another issue identified for several homes was water pressure; in some instances it is a question of maintaining consistently acceptable pressure. AMEC indicated that the system was designed to be within 45 to 75 PSI and appeared to be meeting that standard. It was noted that this range may not be acceptable for homeowners that had higher water pressure with their wells. AMEC will investigate these homeowners' situations to see what can be done to improve water pressure but explained that because the pressure needs to be balanced amongst the properties on account of differing property elevations (so none are experiencing either too low or too high water pressure), the system places limits on what can be done to improve the pressure for individual homes. An initial step would likely be the measuring of water pressure at the impacted homes on a frequent or continuous basis to determine what the precise PSI experience is over time.

It was noted that if property owners have issues with their water it is important to raise them so that they can be addressed.

Rich Martin reported on the water system's operation. The system at the booster station has been providing 66 PSI on a consistent basis. Chlorine levels of water coming in from the City system have been good. We received the first required copper and lead sampling results which showed no issues and will be doing a second round of sampling for those constituents in June and those results will be made available to the Board.

An update was provided regarding groundwater remediation efforts. The pilot test field work for the reductive/abiotic dechlorination remedy has been completed and final test results are being received. The results of the pilot test will be used to optimize the full scale remedy, which is slated to begin this fall, with a work plan anticipated to be submitted to DEM in July. Recently AMEC was at the site to review logistics for full scale implementation

The annual financial report of the district's income and expenses was filed with the Fulton County Circuit Court. The Letter of Credit from JP Morgan Chase has been issued to the conservancy district as beneficiary in the amount of \$2 million dollars as financial assurance in the event of Textron's non-performance of its operation and maintenance obligations as to the water line. The original Letter of Credit is being held in the district's bank safety deposit box.

The transfer of the water line to the district from Textron was discussed. The transfer is to take place upon completion of the water line per the water line agreement between the district and Textron. After a discussion regarding whether completion had occurred, the Board voted to accept transfer of the water line from Textron. It was noted that this in no way changed Textron's maintenance and operation obligations. Textron will arrange for the transfer of the water line to the district via a bill of sale prior to the next Board meeting.

The conservancy district has joined the Association of Indiana Conservancy Districts (AICD), which is the trade association for conservancy districts in Indiana, and is now on AICD's mailing list.

There was a discussion regarding the frequency of Board meetings now that construction has been completed and we're into the system's operation and maintenance. It was decided that the Board will continue to meet quarterly, at least for the time being. The next conservancy district Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May August 21, at 5:30 p.m. It will be held at the Rochester branch of the Fulton County library if meeting space is available. The fourth quarter Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13 and the 2014 Annual Meeting for February 12. Meetings will continue to be at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was thereupon adjourned.

Submitted



Jamieson Schiff, Treasurer/Financial Clerk