**REGULAR MEETING July 18, 2017**

Commission President Mr. Stavran, called the meeting of the Rib Mountain Metropolitan Sewerage District (Metro) to order at 11:30 a.m. Commission Members Present: Jim Strehlow; Galen Olson and Tom Wittkopf. Also Present: Diane Thorne, Clark Dietz; George Peterson and Gary Olsen, Village of Rothschild; Eric Donaldson, Metro Director; Andy Heise, Metro Superintendent and Katherine Kunze, Administrative Clerk/Secretary.

**Replacing Commissioner Paul Wirth –** A discussion was held. During discussion it was determined that a letter be sent out to the Marathon County Administrator and the Communities informing them of Mr. Wirth’s resignation and to start the process of finding a replacement for him.

**Commission Expiration** – Mr. Stavran noted that his Commission expires on August 11, 2017. Mr. Stavran indicated that he would like to continue on and serve another five year term. Mr. Strehlow made a motion that the Metro Commission support the reappointment of Mr. Stavran for another five year term. This was seconded by Mr. Olson. Questioned and unanimously passed. Mr. Stavran abstained from the motion. A letter will be sent to Mr. Brad Karger, Marathon County Administrator and copied to the communities.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Wittkopf and seconded by Mr. Olson to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2017 Regular Meeting. Questioned and unanimously passed.

**CHECK REGISTER APPROVAL**

Mr. Wittkopf made a motion to approve the following June Prepaid 2017 Checks and the July 2017 Check Register, with Mr. Strehlow seconding the motion. Questioned and after discussion was unanimously passed.

General Prepaid $49,600.44

Equip Repl. Prepaid Check $.00

General Checks #26558 - #26590 $56,876.91

Equip. Repl. Checks #585 $12,882.00

Asset/Cap Imp. Checks $.00

**FACILITIES AND GROUNDS UPGRADE**

**Clean Water Fund (CWF)** – The Metro is in the process of aiding Strand in completing the CWF Application. Strand wants to have the application done and submitted by July 31, 2017. The “Advertisement To Bid” notice will appear in the Wausau Daily Herald on August 1 and August 8, 2017. The bids will be opened on August 31, 2017 at the Metro. A discussion followed.

**Resolution #93 – Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures –** Mr. Donaldson explained this resolution needed by the CWF. After discussion a motion was made by Mr. Olson and seconded by Mr. Wittkopf to approve Resolution #93 Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures in the amount of $3,962,300. Questioned and unanimously passed.

**Resolution #94 – Authorized Representative to File Applications** - Mr. Donaldson explained this resolution needed by the CWF. After discussion a motion was made by Mr. Strehlow and seconded by Mr. Olson to approve Resolution #94. Questioned and unanimously passed.

**MANAGER-SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

Budget Comparison Report – None – Mr. Donaldson stated that the natural gas usage problem has been resolved.

Asset/Replacement – None

Plant Report – Mr. Donaldson reported that the plant is running good and WET tests were done last week.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the Property Use Agreement for the Johnson Family. Mr. Donaldson stated that he did contact the Metro’s Attorney; Attorney Nicks indicated that the Metro should write a policy stating: “No Non-Employees on the Property”. The Commission stated that Mr. Johnson should be informed of this.

**SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

Mr. Heise stated that the daft tank replacement project has started and hopes to have it done by this winter.

Grit screw needs to be replaced.

There is a little sink hole by the digester that is being investigated.

Mr. Heise pointed out that he is looking at getting some plastic dumpster. He explained why.

Safety Operator Meetings are going good.

Next meeting date is August 8, 2017. Mr. Olson noted that he will not be able to attend.

At 12:10 p.m., with no further business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Strehlow and seconded by Mr. Wittkopf. Questioned and unanimously passed.

A tape of the proceedings of the Regular Meeting are on file at the Rib Mountain Metropolitan Sewerage District, 2001 Aster Road, Wausau, WI.

Kathi Kunze

Administrative/Clerk Secretary