



Oak Park Conservancy District
4230 Portage Place
Jeffersonville, IN 47130

Board of Directors
Regular Business Meeting
July 25, 2018
6:00pm

The July 25, 2018 Board Meeting for the Oak Park Conservancy District was called to order by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Bruce Herdt, with the following persons present:

- Bruce Herdt – Chairman
- Marshall Johnson– Vice Chairman
- Wayne Storz – Board Member
- Amy Burton – Secretary / Financial Clerk
- Keith Ingram – Superintendent

The Minutes for the meeting held on July 11, 2018 were approved by motion with a 3-0 vote.

Mr. Herdt requested old business. All old business was discussed during the department reports.

Mr. Herdt requested the Wastewater and Stormwater Reports. On July 9th a purchase order was issued for a replacement cooling unit for the raw sampler. The manufacturer of the sampling units has been purchased by another company, GRIPP Inc., and at this point Mr. Ingram has not been impressed by their customer response or their service department. Mr. Ingram will be researching other sampling equipment should GRIPP Inc. not be able to provide adequate service.

On July 16th the 2500 Silverado had new tires put on the vehicle.

On July 18th Mr. Ingram ordered the 6th load of DE from Fitz Chemical for this calendar year.

The DMR and MRO have been submitted electronically for the month of June. There was a 97% removal for CBOD and a 99% removal for Suspended Solids. High ammonia levels resulted in a violation of the maximum weekly average for that limit. The limit is 4.5 mg/l and there was a 4.9 mg/l that occurred during the week of June 16th. Ammonia levels returned to acceptable levels since this incident. This violation has been reported to IDEM in the comment section of the MRO as instructed by the IDEM Water Quality Department.

On July 9th Mr. Ingram contacted Chemical Resources and asked for a clarification from the Sodium Aluminate manufacturer for their recommended application of the chemical. On July 19th Mr. Ingram was part of a conference call and discussed the issues of scaling and line obstruction that OPCD has been experiencing from adding the chemical to recirculated effluent waters. There was a lot of conversation about how the chemical shouldn't be reacting that way, but Mr. Ingram was finally told that the best method is to directly apply the chemical undiluted. Mr. Ingram started the direct application during the week of the 9th and noticed a more positive reduction of the Phosphorus levels. Mr. Ingram will now be researching methods to thermally protect the chemical for winter application as it has a freezing point of around 40° F.

On July 17th Mr. Ingram met with Mr. Hart, the engineer who is working with the Port of Indiana, regarding the relocation of the Pebble Creek forced main. There was a question regarding the use of the abandoned forced main on Middle Road that was owned by the City of Jeffersonville. Mr. Ingram commented that first the board would have to agree to that arrangement and that Jeffersonville would have to relinquish the pipe. There is also a question about the size of the pipe. The current size of our forced main is 6".

On July 11th Mr. Hupp submitted his resignation with his last day being July 20th. On July 13th, Mr. Ingram thanked Mr. Hupp for his services and since he was dissatisfied with his position, he was release from his final week of work that he had obligated himself to. All assigned equipment was collected prior to Mr. Hupps departure.

On July 9th Mr. Swinney was provided the current drainage maintenance list for review. OPCD personnel inspected the list of locations and created work orders for areas that need to be addressed.

On July 10th the resident at 308 Webster Blvd contacted the office and asked when OPCD would be mowing along the Riverside Ditch. Mr. Ingram explained that the current condition of standing water prevented any work in the center of the ditch line, and that OPCD would be working in that area as the conditions improve.

On July 10th the resident at 3609 Pennsylvania reported a downed branch in their back yard. An inspection of the property found a medium sized branch had broken in a tree overhanging the yard. Mr. Ingram explained to the resident that they should report the issue to the property owner to have the branch removed.

Mr. Herdt requested the Secretary/Treasurer's Report. Mrs. Burton will be attending a budget workshop on August 22, 2018 at 8:15am at the courthouse.

Mr. Storz made a motion to approve all submitted claims and financial reports, motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Herdt requested any new business. Mr. Ingram reported that he would be reporting for Jury Duty on August 10, 2018.

Mr. Storz asked that the minutes be posted on the website in a timely manner.

Mr. Storz asked if there was any loss of phone service during the last storm. Mr. Ingram stated that there was a loss of power but no loss of phone lines.

Mr. Storz asked if there are any local classes offered for the wastewater certification exam. Mrs. Burton will check further to see what is offered. There is a two-day training in August near Indianapolis.

Since no other business was to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Herdt adjourned the meeting.


Respectfully Submitted,




Amy Burton,
Secretary of the Board,
Oak Park Conservancy District

We the undersigned, have examined the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 25, 2018 and found them to be true and accurate representations of the events as conducted, with all additions and corrections being noted on the next public board meeting minutes.


Bruce Herdt, Chairman


Marshall Johnson, Vice Chairman


Wayne Storz, Board Member