

**Des Moines Metropolitan Wastewater Reclamation Authority Board
Tuesday, August 15, 2023 @ 1:30 P.M.**

**MEETING LOCATION:
BURNHAM CONFERENCE ROOM
DES MOINES METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
420 WATSON POWELL JR. WAY, SUITE #200
DES MOINES, IOWA**

MINUTES

ITEM 1: Call to Order

Sara Kurovski called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

ITEM 2: Roll Call

Members in Attendance

Scott Duer, Altoona
Michael Schrock, Ankeny*
Joe Ruddy, Ankeny
Larry Goode, Cumming*
Linda Westergaard, Des Moines
Joe Gatto, Des Moines
Joyce Hendrix, Greenfield Plaza
Mike Pogge-Weaver, Johnston
David Lester, Norwalk*
Sara Kurovski, Pleasant Hill
Chelsea Huisman, Polk City
E.J. Giovannetti, Polk County
John Garvey, UWSSD*
Brad Deets, Waukee*
Jody Smith, West Des Moines

Others in Attendance

Scott Hutchens, Operating Contractor
James Beck, Operating Contractor
Lisa Etnyre, Operating Contractor
Roxane Vaughan, Operating Contractor
John Lande, Dickinson Law
Larry Hare, Operating Contractor
Charlie Stevens, Operating Contractor
Nick Schaul, City of Des Moines
Jonathan Gano, City of Des Moines
Matt Stoffel, PFM
Grant Hyland, Brick Gentry
Bob Veenstra, Veenstra & Kimm
Elizabeth Burnett, Ahlers & Cooney
Sandy Doerring, Greenfield Plaza Resident

*Participated in the meeting via electronic means due to the fact that it was impractical or impossible to participate in the meeting in person due to health reasons or proximity to meeting location

ITEM 3: Approving Agenda, as Presented and/or as Amended

Joe Gatto made a motion to approve the agenda as presented and/or as amended. Joe Ruddy seconded that motion. The motion carried.

ITEM 4: Public Comment

None

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ITEM 5: APPROVING CONSENT AGENDA – Items 5 through 12:

Joe Gatto made a motion to approve Items 5 through 12. Scott Duer seconded that motion. The motion carried with a vote of 15-0. Members voted yea: Duer, Schrock, Ruddy, Goode, Westergaard, Gatto, Hendrix, Pogge-Weaver, Lester, Kurovski, Huisman, Giovannetti, Garvey, Deets and Smith. Members voted nay: none

ITEM 6: Consideration of the Minutes of the July 18, 2023 meeting of the WRA Board - Action for Approval

APPROVING

ITEM 7: Resolution Approving WRA Schedule of Bills for July 2023

ITEM 8: Resolution Approving and Authorizing Acceptance of WRA Legal Counsel Engagement Letter from Brick Gentry P.C. to Represent the WRA in Property Acquisition Matters

ITEM 9: Resolution Approving and Authorizing an Amendment to Loan and Disbursement Agreement by and Between the Des Moines Metropolitan Wastewater Reclamation Authority and the Iowa Finance Authority, and Authorizing and Providing for the Reissuance of the \$14,057,000 Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2012C (Rate Reset C0452R)

ITEM 10: Resolution Approving and Authorizing an Amendment to Loan and Disbursement Agreement by and Between the Des Moines Metropolitan Wastewater Reclamation Authority and the Iowa Finance Authority, and Authorizing and Providing for the Reissuance of the \$5,272,000 Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2012D (Rate Reset C0453R)

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT

ITEM 11: Resolution Accepting Completed Construction and Approving Final Payment for WRA Sewer Lining – Phase 2, Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc.

WRA DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS

ITEM 12: Resolution to Receive and File the Following Reports from the WRA Director
A. Change Order Register Report
B. Consultant Contracts Under \$100,000 Report
C. Construction Related Claim Settlements Report
D. Industrial Waste Ordinance Update
E. WRA Contract Status Update

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

ITEM 13: Resolution Regarding Public Hearing to Review Anticipated Environmental Impact of the WRA Southern Tier Interceptor, Phase 10, Segment 23 Project

Bob Veenstra with Veenstra & Kimm gave a short presentation providing an overview of the project and the environmental impacts of the project. He noted the project includes the construction of approximately 9,500 linear feet of 48-inch or 54-inch sanitary sewer and approximately 2,500 linear feet of 108-inch or 120-inch sanitary sewer. The new sewer will be installed adjacent to the existing sewers and is located along E. Hartford Ave from east of SE 22nd Street extending to east of SE 30th Street in Des Moines. The WRA Board set the date of the hearing on June 20, 2023 and public notice was provided through a publication with the Des Moines Register on July 11, 2023.

Jody Smith made a motion to approve. EJ Giovannetti seconded that motion. The motion carried with a vote of 15-0. Members voted yea: Duer, Schrock, Ruddy, Goode, Westergaard, Gatto, Hendrix, Pogge-Weaver, Lester, Kurovski, Huisman, Giovannetti, Garvey, Deets and Smith. Members voted nay: none

OTHER ITEMS

ITEM 14: Other Business

Scott Hutchens stated that the WRA recently received the Peak Performance Gold Award from the National Association of Clean Water Agencies. This award recognizes complete and consistent permit compliance during the calendar year. He also stated that the Conveyance and Treatment Facility Plans are being finalized and work will soon begin on the amendment to the WRA 28E Agreement.

Joe Ruddy asked what the status was for the acquisition of the property near the WRF. Scott stated that appraisals are in the process of being completed and are expected to be received by August 18th. The appraisals will then be reviewed and included on the agenda for a future WRA Board Meeting.

ITEM 15: Adjourn

Mike Pogge-Weaver made a motion to adjourn. Chelsea Huisman seconded the motion. The motion carried. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.