## MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SALT CREEK SANITARY DISTRICT HELD AT 201 S. ROUTE 83, VILLA PARK, IL ON DECEMBER 19, 2022.

The Public Hearing was called to order by Trustee Hensley at 6:00 p.m.: Present: Trustees, Raymond Hensley – President, Robert Taglia – Vice President and Mary Agrusa - Clerk. Also, present: Manager Jim Listwan, Business Administrator Ray Hoving, Engineers Mark Halm and Darryl Carstensen, and Attorney Robert Kay.

Presentation: The public hearing was opened and Engineer Darryl Carstensen explained the purpose of the hearing and presented the 2021 Facility Plan and the Preliminary Environmental Impact Determination (PEID). Mr. Carstensen explained that the plan included an examination of the condition of each treatment process in the plant. The examination found there to be deficiencies due to the age of the infrastructure as well as processes, that due to technology advances, are much more efficient. He noted the most critical deficiencies are the ultraviolet disinfection system which is no longer being supported by the manufacturer and the belt press which has been patched together over the years and needs to be rebuilt. These two items have been engineered and will be part of Salt Creek's phase 6 project. Process improvements that are slated for phase 7 include the headworks and associated processes so that the plant can in the future remove phosphorous at the more stringent Illinois Environmental Protection Agency standards. Mr. Carstensen stated that over the first three years the user rate will increase by approximately 8% per year in order to fund the new projects. However, over the course of the entire loan which will paid off in approximately 2049 the average increase is just over 2% per year. Mr. Carstensen then presented the Preliminary Environmental Impact Determination and the steps needed to be taken prior to IEPA approval. He stated that following the meeting there will be a 10-day comment period for members of the public.

<u>Public Participation:</u> Resident Bob Wagner of 114 W Monroe was the only member of the public in attendance.

Mr. Wagner: Is this required as part of the NPDES permit?

Mr. Cartensen: No this is a requirement of the facility plan approval process. This is the first step in obtaining IEPA loans

Mr. Wagner: Will the presentation be available on the district website?

Business Administrator Hoving: Yes, the presentation will be posted.

<u>Meeting Adjourned</u>: Trustee Agrusa moved, seconded by Trustee Taglia to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. Ayes: Hensley, Taglia & Agrusa. Motion carried.

APPROVED

Robert Taglia, Vice President

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Prepared by: Ray Hoving, Business Administrator

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