

**PUBLIC HEARING OF THE METRO EAST  
SANITARY DISTRICT, ST. CLAIR AND  
MADISON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017 AT 1800  
EDISON AVENUE, GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS AT  
9:30 A.M.**

President Brinza called the Public Hearing to order and the Clerk recorded the attendance.

The following was the attendance:

Present: Commissioners McCall, Darwin, Brinza and Sawicki.

Absent: None.

Metro East Sanitary District employees attending the meeting were Executive Director Stephen Adler, Attorney Larry Calvo, Attorney Don Weber, Lansdowne Office Manager Cindy Worthen and Payroll Clerk Kim Hogue.

Also attending the meeting were Walter Greathouse III, Amanda Greathouse, Linda Knogl and Kathy Goclan.

President Brinza stated that the Public Hearing is being held to hear any public comments or opinions concerning the Budget and Annual Appropriation to defray the expenses of Metro East Sanitary District Special Service Area No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2017 and in regards to the Property Tax Increase for Metro East Sanitary District Special Service Area No. 1 (Truth in Taxation Hearing).

Attorney Calvo said the Public Notices were published in the Belleville News Democrat and posted on the Metro East Sanitary District website and in the office.

The proposed Budget and Annual Appropriation to defray the expenses of Metro East Sanitary District Special Service Area No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2017 and the proposed 2017 Tax Levy for Metro East Sanitary District Special Service Area No. 1 were presented:

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President Brinza asked if there were any questions or comments at this time.

Hearing none, President Brinza asked again for any questions or comments.

There were no comments or questions concerning the Budget and Annual Appropriation to defray the expenses of Metro East Sanitary District Special Service Area No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2017 or the 2017 Tax Levy for Metro East Sanitary District Special Service Area No. 1 (Truth in Taxation Hearing).

Attorney Calvo explained that the Special Service Area Tax will be on the 2017 property tax bills for the first time. The estimated total property taxes levied will be Three hundred nine thousand, seven hundred dollars (\$309,700).

Executive Director Adler stated that future tax levies will depend upon the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Program. The loans are for 20 years and the IEPA can provide additional subsidization in the form of principal forgiveness to a public loan recipient. The estimated amount of loan forgiveness for the project can be up to 60 percent.

Attorney Calvo said the Budget and Tax Levy Ordinances will be presented at the December 20, 2017 meeting.

There being no further business, Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Darwin to adjourn.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners McCall, Darwin, Brinza and Sawicki.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

So adjourned at 9:38 A.M.

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Clerk