

Norwood Sanitation District
April 24th, 2024 - Special Meeting
Norwood Town Hall 6:30 P.M.

Call to Order:

Bernice White called the special meeting of the Norwood Sanitation District to order at 6:30pm.

Present: Chairman – Bernice White, **Vice Chairman –**Brad Campbell, Kerry Welch, Tom Kyle and Mike Grafmyer

Staff: Deana Sheriff and Shawntel Darby

Absent: Randy Harris

Additions: Kris Holstrum, Jenny Russell, Valerie Gibson, Ray Cossey, Candy Meehan, Shawn Fallon, Jaime Schultz, Keiffer Parrino, Sammi Keeton, Chance Reed, Sharon Pape, and Alex Pape

- **Via Zoom –** Nancy Willis, Ashley Lamers, Kattie Neesham, Regan Tuttle, Terri Lamers, Michael Donnellon

Public Comment:

Ray Cossey states that he has concerns about the resolution and would like to know what it is for.

Mike Grafmyer made a **motion** to move agenda item 3 to 4 and agenda item 4 to 3. Kerry Welch seconded the **motion**. All voted **yes**. **Motion passed**.

Bernice White asked what the goal was for the resolution. Mike Grafmyer states that they will present it to the Town of Norwood Board.

Bernice White wanted to know if the Norwood Sanitation District had talked with Mayor Candy Meehan or the Town of Norwood. Mike Grafmyer states that they went to the Town of Norwood board meeting.

Ray Cossey feels there should be a joint meeting between all three boards. Tom Kyle states that this is a very serious situation and that it was too late.

Mike Grafmyer explained that we have received a copy of the new IGA and what has happened with the incurred legal fees and its relevance to the Norwood Sanitation District without any prior knowledge of the NSD Board, which included a dissolution to dissolve this special district. He also states that a meeting between all three entities is what should have occurred before any of this occurred.

Jenny Russell feels that Mayor Candy Meehan had legitimate questions and does not think she discussed dissolving the district. Mike Grafmyer states that it was even on the bill. Jenny questioned the Norwood Sanitation District's legitimacy, and she does not feel it is a separate entity from the Town of Norwood. Keifer Parrino feels the NSD reports to the Town of Norwood as well.

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Valerie Gibson feels this is all about truth and trust. She also feels everyone should be under one entity.

Alex Pape read a statement. He feels that everything going on right now shows disfunction and hostility. He does not feel it is all Mayor Candy Meehan. He feels the administration should be commended.

Tom Kyle asked about client/attorney privilege.

Shawn Fallow states that the Town of Norwood Board gave Mayor Candy Meehan permission to look into the Intergovernmental Agreement which is how dissolving the Norwood Sanitation District came about and he states that we need to have goals.

Chance Reed states that you have to know what your responsibilities are.

Mike Grafmyer asked why no one was worried about all of this now after all these years.

Mayor Candy Meehan explained why she asked the questions regarding the Norwood Sanitation District and the Norwood Water Commission. She feels that when she worked on the grant that it was the start of helping and that she has no intention of dissolving the district.

Tom Kyle asked Mayor Candy Meehan about how Deana Sheriff was treated and asked if she has tried any conflict resolution. Tom is concerned about the mayor's credibility.

Mayor Candy Meehan feels it is the Town of Norwood's fiscal responsibility to cover the Norwood Sanitation District if something ever happens. She feels the staff has not had proper training as far as legal silos. She wants to find the caveats and build from there. She still doesn't have clarity. Brad Campbell thanked her for her statement. She states this was not a coup on the Sanitation District.

Keifer Parrino states that he thinks the Norwood Sanitation District reports to the Town of Norwood. Mike Grafmyer states that we actually report to the Secretary of State.

Jenny Russell asked for the documents to be provided showing the district is legitimate and she will be making a CORA request.

Mayor Candy Meehan will still do things for this community. She states she is sorry the Norwood Sanitation District felt attacked. She states she is incredibly responsible for not knowing how much the attorney cost.

Kris Holstrum feels the verbiage of the resolution is inappropriate.

Bernice White feels the resolution is wrong.

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Resolution Number 0423 Series: 2024: A Resolution of No Confidence in the Leadership of Mayor Candy Meehan

Mike Grafmyer read resolution number 0423 Series: 2024.

Mike Grafmyer made a **motion** to pass Resolution Number 0423 Series: 2024: A Resolution of No Confidence in the Leadership of Mayor Candy Meehan. Kerry Welch seconded the **motion**. **All** voted **yes**. **Motion passed**.

Bernice White states that as the Chairman she will sign this but she disagrees with it.

Drainage Study Request For Proposal Review

Deana Sheriff discussed the requests for proposal with the Norwood Sanitation District board. The general consensus of the board was that they were very comfortable with the Bohanan Huston and SGM proposals.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Tom Kyle to adjourn the meeting at 7:32pm. Kerry Welch seconded the **motion**. **Motion** Carried Unanimously.

APPROVED: _____

APPROVED AS CORRECTED: _____

DATE: ____/____/2024