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**EAST CHICAGO WATERWAY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Transcript of the meeting of the East Chicago Waterway Management District had on the 19th day of June, 2013, at 5:07 p.m., at the East Chicago City Annex Building, 4444 Railroad Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana.

**APPEARANCES:**

- MR. JOHN FEKETE, Board President
- MR. JOHN BAKOTA, Board Member
- MR. HENRY RODRIGUEZ, Board Member
- MR. MIKE EBERT, Board Member
- MR. RAY LOPEZ, Board Member
- MR. FERNANDO TREVINO, Executive Director
- MS. NATALIE MILLS, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- MR. SCOTT IRELAND, EPA

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1                   **MR. FEKETE:** I'd like to call the  
2 meeting of the East Chicago Waterway Management District  
3 Board of Directors to order. The time is 7 after 5:00.  
4                   John Bakota?  
5                   **MR. BAKOTA:** Here.  
6                   **MR. FEKETE:** Henry Rodriguez?  
7                   **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Here.  
8                   **MR. FEKETE:** Ray Lopez?  
9                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Here.  
10                  **MR. FEKETE:** John Fekete, here.  
11 Mike Ebert?  
12                  **MR. EBERT:** Here.  
13                  **MR. FEKETE:** Ernest Jones? Rich  
14 Gomez? We have a quorum.  
15                  Consulting engineering report.  
16                  **MR. TREVINO:** Yes. Fernando  
17 Trevino, FMT Consulting. I'd like to start off by going  
18 over the contents in your board packet. You have the  
19 meeting notes for the board meeting of May 15th, 2013.  
20 Meeting notes for the board meeting held May 21st, 2013.  
21                  You have the financials, as  
22 presented by Clifton, Larson, Allen dated May 31st,  
23 2013. And the claim docket dated June 19th, 2013.  
24                  You have in your packet a 2013  
25 proposed budget amendment dated June 19th, 2013. An

1 email from Ann Remick from IDEM approving the budget  
2 amendment on behalf of IDEM.

3                   You have in your packet a document  
4 entitled Modification to Agreement Regarding Section 10  
5 Permit and Management of Oil Booms, and the affiliated  
6 exhibits.

7                   You have in your packet a master  
8 service contract with TNT Marine Salvage, Inc., and its  
9 affiliated proposal. The proposal's Exhibit A of the  
10 contract and it's dated June 18th, 2013.

11                   You have in your packet a letter of  
12 agreement from Praxis dated June 6th, 2013 regarding  
13 consulting services for strategic planning.

14                   You have in your packet Resolution  
15 Number 2013-4, regarding resolution for not using non-  
16 trust and trust monies for Great Lakes Legacy Act  
17 Project. You have in your packet the proposal for the  
18 Great Lakes Legacy Act for remedial investigation and  
19 feasibility study and remedial design. And that  
20 proposal's dated May 15th, 2013.

21                   You have in your packet 2 user fee  
22 deposit memos, 1 dated May 31st, the other dated June  
23 6th, both 2013.

24                   You have in your packet Citizens  
25 Bank financial statements for accounts 608 and 616 --

1 ending in 608 and 616 -- both dated May 31st, 2013.

2                   You have in your packet ECI Facility  
3 Trust Report from BMO Harris Bank dated June 18th, 2013.  
4 You have in your packet various Harris Bank statements,  
5 1 for account ending in 858 dated April 19th, 2012. A  
6 letter dated May 29th, 2013. Account number ending in  
7 712 for the month of May. And account ending in 761,  
8 also for the month of May, 2013. Also, brokerage  
9 account statement for account ending in 534, also for  
10 the month of May, 2013.

11                   You have in your packet a copy of 3  
12 mock-ups. I've been working on finalizing the website  
13 for the Waterway Management District, so I just thought  
14 I'd show the progress. Hopefully by the next meeting,  
15 we'll have something more online.

16                   We have in your packet an IRS letter  
17 dated May 20th, 2013.

18                   You have in your packet an updated  
19 manifest tracking summary, and this is for those signed  
20 in 2013. And a copy of the most recent one that I  
21 signed actually yesterday, manifest ending in 893.

22                   You have 2 Arcadis reports. Both  
23 are dated May 13th, 2013. 1 is for the month of  
24 January, and the other is for the month of February this  
25 year.

1                   You have a BP Refinery update  
2 communicator dated May 17th, 2013.

3                   You have a copy of the comments I  
4 provided to the Army Corps regarding their well point  
5 installation project, and that's dated May 17th, 2013.

6                   You have a coy of the Army Corps'  
7 report to the board today dated June 20th, so I guess  
8 this is tomorrow's report. They dated it wrong. I  
9 received it today.

10                  You have in your packet an email  
11 from Jennifer Miller forwarding the Corps' responses to  
12 my comments to their driveway project.

13                  And last but not least, you have  
14 Attorney Ellen Gregory's reported dated June 19th, 2013.

15                  **MR. FEKETE:** Any questions for Mr.  
16 Trevino?

17                  **MR. TREVINO:** Well, that's just the  
18 contents. I still have to go over a couple of things.

19                  Update on user fees. Tim Anderson's  
20 office sent invoices to companies who have not paid  
21 their user fees. Copies of deposits since our last  
22 meeting are in your packet. Attorney Ellen Gregory has  
23 forwarded user fee information requested by the attorney  
24 general's office to assist us on collecting past due  
25 collections.

1 Strategic planning. After reviewing  
2 the expertise, experience and the cost for the 3  
3 strategic planning consulting proposals that we  
4 received, the recommendation is to hire Praxis. The  
5 letter of agreement is included in your packet for  
6 approval consideration. The recommendation is supported  
7 by me and the finance committee, who is part of the  
8 review team.

9 The strategic planning effort was  
10 not included in the original 2013 budget, which means  
11 the budget should be amended. We proposed to IDEM to  
12 amend a shared budget line item to include strategic  
13 planning effort, which is budget line item 15. IDEM has  
14 agreed to amend budget line item 15. A copy of IDEM's  
15 approval email which is dated 6-11 is included in your  
16 packet. The second part of the budget amendment  
17 approval process is for the District to approve the  
18 amendment. Therefore, a copy of the proposed 2013  
19 budget amendment is on today's agenda for approval  
20 consideration.

21 Also, as a reminder in 2012, the  
22 District entered into an agreement with ARBP, an  
23 agreement commonly referred to as a Section 10 Permit  
24 Agreement. The agreement basically specified provisions  
25 in which the District would agree to be the permittee on

1 the Army Corps Section 10 Permit, and the affiliated  
2 INDOT permits for placing booms in the canal. This  
3 agreement included a provision that the District would  
4 sign manifests for disposal of spent booms. Recently,  
5 ARBP has asked that the District also sign manifests for  
6 disposal of free-face hydrocarbon and related material  
7 collected on the south tank farm. And also a contract  
8 with the company TTMS to provide boom design management  
9 consulting services. TTMS is a company previously used  
10 and recommended by EPA. The agreement states that BP  
11 will pay for the TTMS consulting services.

12                   Ellen and I have been working with  
13 BP to amend the Section 10 Permit Agreement to allow the  
14 District to undertake these additional actions. We've  
15 also been working with TTMS to come up with an agreeable  
16 proposal and contract. These items are on the agenda  
17 for approval consideration.

18                   Great Lakes Legacy Act, as a quick  
19 recap of where we're at on this. Board members were  
20 provided a copy of the proposal at last month's board  
21 meeting. The proposal includes the remedial  
22 investigation, feasibility study and remedial design  
23 phases of remediation of the canal portions in East  
24 Chicago that are not scheduled for dredging by the Corps  
25 or cleanup by the EPA or IDEM. The end result of the

1 project would be the remedial design.

2                   The phase after the remedial design  
3 is not included in this scope and is the actual  
4 remediation or implementation of the remedial design.  
5 The estimated schedule for this work is 2 years. The  
6 total cost estimate for the 3 phases is 2 million  
7 dollars. As per the Great Lakes Legacy Act criteria,  
8 the local sponsor cost share is 35 percent, and the  
9 balance, or 65 percent, comes from Great Lakes Legacy  
10 Act funding. The 35 percent calculates to 700,000,  
11 which can either all come from the District or other  
12 stakeholders may contribute toward the 700,000 that may  
13 be interested in the project. The District currently  
14 has ample funding to support the full 35 percent, or  
15 \$700,000, if that would be the conclusion.

16                   Since the last board meeting, I  
17 thought it would be a good idea to propose a resolution  
18 for the District to participate in the project, since  
19 it's a major project undertaking for the District. The  
20 resolution requires a second reading approval before any  
21 money is transferred, however, it does allow us to  
22 immediately submit the application after the resolution  
23 is approved. The resolution is included in your packet  
24 and is on the agenda for approval consideration, along  
25 with the proposal application itself.



1 I've invited Scott Ireland of the  
2 EPA today, at today's meeting, in the event there's any  
3 questions on the proposal, project or program that the  
4 board may have. As mentioned, the resolution and the  
5 application is on the agenda today for approval  
6 consideration. Once approved, I will submit the  
7 proposal, or application, to EPA as required.

8 I've been working with Tim Anderson  
9 and Keystone Systems to coordinate software installation  
10 and training dates.

11 The Army Corps asked for comments on  
12 their drawings and specs for the entrance driveway  
13 reconstruction project. I've provided them comments a  
14 couple weeks ago, and as I mentioned, a copy of their  
15 response is in the board packet. They also asked for  
16 comments on the well point project, which are also in  
17 your packet.

18 As a reminder, a couple of months  
19 ago, Tim Anderson sent a response letter to the IRS,  
20 which was dated April 19th on their claim that the  
21 District owed \$27,000-plus on back taxes and interest.  
22 The IRS has sent a response to his letter, and it looks  
23 like their claim has been cleared up. A copy of the IRS  
24 letter is included in your packet.

25 Ongoing regular meetings that I've

1 been attending on behalf of the District include the  
2 canal oil response meeting, the Corps contractor  
3 dredging project meeting and the BP biweekly meetings.

4                   Indy Boulevard parkway improvement  
5 status. The Corps is working on reviewing options and  
6 costs as a result of feedback that we had a few months  
7 ago.

8                   I mentioned that the website  
9 development is progressing.

10                   And after the meeting I'd like to  
11 get the board's availability on some dredging  
12 observation tour dates. I know that the last one we had  
13 in early June was canceled due to mechanical problems.  
14 So if you could give me your availability for the next  
15 couple weeks, I'd appreciate it.

16                   That concludes my report.

17                   **MR. FEKETE:** Now, do we have any  
18 questions for Mr. Trevino?

19                   **(NO RESPONSE)** .

20                   **MR. FEKETE:** Hearing none, we thank  
21 you very much.

22                   We have before us board meeting  
23 notes for 2 meetings. Actually the stated meeting of  
24 May 21st, for which we had not quite a quorum, and the  
25 special meeting on May 25th on which we had to attend to

1 some financial business and needed a quorum for such  
2 action. You have 2 sets of meeting notes before you. I  
3 will entertain a motion to approve both of them.

4 **MR. BAKOTA:** Motion to accept.

5 **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Second.

6 **MR. FEKETE:** I'll take a voice vote.

7 All in favor signify by saying yes.

8 **THE BOARD:** (Collective "yes").

9 **MR. FEKETE:** Approved. Accounting  
10 consultant report, Mr. Anderson.

11 **MR. ANDERSON:** Tim Anderson with  
12 Clifton, Larson, Allen. You have in your board packet  
13 my little financial statement for the month.

14 The first page with numbers on it in  
15 the financial statement is the statement of cash  
16 receipts and cash disbursements. Shows that through  
17 May, the 5 months ended, we've collected \$698,000 in  
18 user fees, and a transfer from the trust. And it also  
19 shows that we've written checks for \$108,000. And it  
20 shows the distribution of those checks, legal,  
21 engineering and on down the line.

22 This statement just shows the  
23 increase in cash from January to the end of May, which  
24 is 589,000. So our cash balance is 1.2 million at the  
25 beginning of the year, and now they're 1.8 million at

1 the end of May. And then I put a schedule of how that  
2 breaks down between the operating account and the user  
3 fee account. So there's 353,000 in the operating  
4 account, and a million 4 in the user fee account.

5 If you flip a couple pages, I have  
6 the detail of both of those checking accounts, or both  
7 of those cash accounts, with the interest that we earn  
8 each month and the cash disbursements that we write each  
9 month and the transfers. And again, that just recaps.  
10 The balances are the same, the operating's at 353 and  
11 the user fee's at 1.4.

12 The last page, and probably the most  
13 meaningful page, is what you guys budgeted and what  
14 we've disbursed through May, line by line, and what  
15 we've got left to spend of our budget. You start with  
16 the appropriation and then you deduct each month the  
17 checks that are written. And then that available budget  
18 all the way on the right, that's what we've got left to  
19 spend. And it corresponds with the balance in our  
20 operating account. There's 352,000 left of available  
21 budget, and that's what we have in our checking account.  
22 That's the balance in the operating account.

23 And that's it. Any questions, guys?  
24 We did get a response from the Internal Revenue Service.

25 **MR. BAKOTA:** Was it good?

1                   **MR. ANDERSON:** They let you guys  
2 squeak by.

3                   **MR. LOPEZ:** That's what we've got  
4 you for.

5                   **MR. ANDERSON:** It was a little bit  
6 of excitement when we got the letter. Fernando was a  
7 little nervous.

8                   **MR. EBERT:** I've got a question  
9 there, Tim.

10                   **MR. ANDERSON:** Sure.

11                   **MR. EBERT:** They say, "We are  
12 pleased to inform you that we were able to clear up the  
13 discrepancy."

14                   **MR. ANDERSON:** Well, first they said  
15 they didn't know who I was. Some stranger is talking to  
16 us.

17                   **MR. EBERT:** I'm coming to that. But  
18 they don't say that they cleared it up in our favor.

19                   **MR. ANDERSON:** It just says that the  
20 matter's been resolved. At first they proposed that  
21 there was a deficiency.

22                   **MR. EBERT:** Right.

23                   **MR. ANDERSON:** And so we replied,  
24 well, there's really no liability. And then they say  
25 that it's been resolved.

1                   **MR. EBERT:** But they don't  
2 explicitly say we have ruled in your favor.

3                   **MR. ANDERSON:** They don't say you're  
4 right, we were wrong.

5                   **MR. BAKOTA:** They never say that.

6                   **MR. TREVINO:** I wondered the same  
7 thing, Mike. But talking with Tim, if it wouldn't have  
8 been resolved they would have been a lot more clear, I  
9 think.

10                   **MR. ANDERSON:** Well, they would have  
11 said, you know, that was a nice argument, but no. Well,  
12 we knew from the beginning that it was nonsense. This  
13 is not a taxable entity; it's a government entity.

14                   **MR. EBERT:** Now, referring to your  
15 other point. The 2 forms that they mentioned would  
16 allow you to act in our behalf in discussions with the  
17 IRS. Do you see a benefit to us doing that?

18                   **MR. ANDERSON:** Well, I didn't  
19 perceive that we would have lots of issues with the Internal  
20 Revenue Service. But I suppose if they're going to pick  
21 on us annually, it might be a good idea. There's a  
22 1-page form that you can fill out that would give me  
23 authority to talk to the IRS. But you have to be  
24 specific on those powers of attorney as to what matters  
25 you can discuss. It's not just a blanket, as things

1 come up. So I don't really know what issues we would  
2 ever have with them. I think each time we'll just  
3 address it. If something else comes up, we can talk  
4 about it.

5 **MR. TREVINO:** I like the confidence,  
6 Tim.

7 **MR. ANDERSON:** Well, this one seemed  
8 really obvious from the get-go that it wasn't a real  
9 valid thing. Thank you.

10 **MR. FEKETE:** Thank you. We have the  
11 accounts payable voucher presented to us. Any questions  
12 pertaining to it?

13 **MR. LOPEZ:** Motion to accept.

14 **MR. FEKETE:** We have a motion to  
15 accept. I'll entertain a second.

16 **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Second.

17 **MR. FEKETE:** We have a second.

18 We'll have a voice vote. John Bakota?

19 **MR. BAKOTA:** Yes.

20 **MR. FEKETE:** Henry Rodriguez?

21 **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Yes.

22 **MR. FEKETE:** Ray Lopez?

23 **MR. LOPEZ:** Yes.

24 **MR. FEKETE:** John Fekete, I vote

25 yes. Mike Ebert?

1                   **MR. EBERT:** Yes.

2                   **MR. FEKETE:** Ernie Jones? Rich

3 Gomez? Accounts payable voucher has been approved.

4                   The next item is the approval

5 consideration for the budget amendment. As Mr. Trevino

6 explained, this is the line item change to accommodate

7 bringing on a strategic planning consultant. Are there

8 any questions?

9                   **(NO RESPONSE) .**

10                  **MR. FEKETE:** Hearing none, I'll

11 entertain a motion to accept.

12                  **MR. LOPEZ:** So moved.

13                  **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Second.

14                  **MR. FEKETE:** We have a motion and a

15 second to approve the consideration for the budget

16 amendment. We'll have a voice vote on this. John

17 Bakota?

18                  **MR. BAKOTA:** Yes.

19                  **MR. FEKETE:** Henry Rodriguez?

20                  **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Yes.

21                  **MR. FEKETE:** Ray Lopez?

22                  **MR. LOPEZ:** Yes.

23                  **MR. FEKETE:** John Fekete, I vote

24 yes. Mike Ebert?

25                  **MR. EBERT:** Yes.



1                   **MR. FEKETE:** Ernest Jones? Rich  
2 Gomez? Motion approved.

3                   The next item of business is the  
4 approval of the strategic planning consultant contract.

5                   **MR. EBERT:** I move that we approve.

6                   **MR. FEKETE:** We have a motion to  
7 approve the strategic planning consultant contract as  
8 presented.

9                   **MR. BAKOTA:** Second.

10                   **MR. FEKETE:** And we have a second by  
11 Mr. Bakota. We'll have a voice vote. John Bakota?

12                   **MR. BAKOTA:** Yes.

13                   **MR. FEKETE:** Henry Rodriguez?

14                   **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Yes.

15                   **MR. FEKETE:** Ray Lopez?

16                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Yes.

17                   **MR. FEKETE:** John Fekete, I vote  
18 yes. Mike Ebert?

19                   **MR. EBERT:** Yes.

20                   **MR. FEKETE:** Ernest Jones? Rich  
21 Gomez? Motion approved.

22                   As explained earlier, we have an  
23 approval consideration before us, which is an amendment  
24 to the Section 10 Permit Agreement. I will entertain a  
25 motion to approve.

1                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Motion to approve.  
2                   **MR. FEKETE:** Motion was made by Ray  
3 Lopez. I'll entertain a second.  
4                   **MR. EBERT:** Second.  
5                   **MR. FEKETE:** We have a second by  
6 Mike Ebert. Voice vote. John Bakota?  
7                   **MR. BAKOTA:** Yes.  
8                   **MR. FEKETE:** Henry Rodriguez?  
9                   **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Yes.  
10                   **MR. FEKETE:** Ray Lopez?  
11                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Yes.  
12                   **MR. FEKETE:** John Fekete, I vote  
13 yes. Mike Ebert?  
14                   **MR. EBERT:** Yes.  
15                   **MR. FEKETE:** Ernest Jones? Rich  
16 Gomez? The motion to approve the amendment to Section  
17 10 Permit Agreement has been approved.  
18                   And the next item is to approve the  
19 proposal and contract agreement with TTMS. I will  
20 entertain a motion to approve this contract.  
21                   **MR. EBERT:** So moved.  
22                   **MR. FEKETE:** I'll entertain a  
23 second.  
24                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Second.  
25                   **MR. FEKETE:** We have a motion and a

1 second. Voice vote. John Bakota?  
2 **MR. BAKOTA:** Yes.  
3 **MR. FEKETE:** Henry Rodriguez?  
4 **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Yes.  
5 **MR. FEKETE:** Ray Lopez?  
6 **MR. LOPEZ:** Yes.  
7 **MR. FEKETE:** John Fekete, I vote  
8 yes. Mike Ebert?  
9 **MR. EBERT:** Yes.  
10 **MR. FEKETE:** Ernest Jones? Rich  
11 Gomez? Motion approved.  
12 We have approval consideration of  
13 the Great Lakes Legacy Act resolution. You have the  
14 resolution before you; it has been discussed. I'll  
15 entertain a motion to approve.  
16 **MR. EBERT:** So moved.  
17 **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Second.  
18 **MR. LOPEZ:** Question.  
19 **MR. FEKETE:** We'll have a voice vote  
20 on this. John Bakota?  
21 **MR. BAKOTA:** Yes.  
22 **MR. FEKETE:** Henry Rodriguez?  
23 **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Yes.  
24 **MR. LOPEZ:** I have a question, Mr.  
25 Chairman.

1                   **MR. FEKETE:** Okay.

2                   **MR. LOPEZ:** It says 35 percent, or  
3 700,000. It could go more than 700,000?

4                   **MR. IRELAND:** We would sign a  
5 project agreement for a certain dollar amount, and it  
6 could not go above that unless we both signed and both  
7 agreed to it going higher than that. So that's our  
8 estimate right now, but when we come to the project  
9 agreement before we sign, everybody has to be  
10 comfortable with that.

11                   **MR. LOPEZ:** It could go up.

12                   **MR. IRELAND:** It could. It could  
13 come down a little bit.

14                   **MR. FEKETE:** And as we discussed  
15 earlier, if there are other partners who may want to  
16 join with us, it might even be less.

17                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Okay, thank you.

18                   **MR. FEKETE:** We were at Ray Lopez.

19                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Yes.

20                   **MR. FEKETE:** John Fekete, I vote  
21 yes. Mike Ebert?

22                   **MR. EBERT:** Yes.

23                   **MR. FEKETE:** Ernest Jones? Rich  
24 Gomez? Approval consideration for the Legacy Act  
25 resolution has been approved.

1                   Approval consideration for the Great  
2 Lakes Legacy Act application submittal. I'll entertain  
3 a motion to approve.

4                   **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** So moved.

5                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Second.

6                   **MR. FEKETE:** We have a motion and a  
7 second. Voice vote. John Bakota?

8                   **MR. BAKOTA:** Yes.

9                   **MR. FEKETE:** Henry Rodriguez?

10                  **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Yes.

11                  **MR. FEKETE:** Ray Lopez?

12                  **MR. LOPEZ:** Yes.

13                  **MR. FEKETE:** John Fekete, I vote  
14 yes. Mike Ebert?

15                  **MR. EBERT:** Yes.

16                  **MR. FEKETE:** Ernest Jones? Rich  
17 Gomez? The Great Lakes Legacy Act proposal application  
18 submittal has been approved.

19                  **MR. TREVINO:** And with that, Mr.  
20 Chairman, in talking with Mr. Scott Ireland, after both  
21 of these have been approved, I'll just take this  
22 proposal and forward it via email to the appropriate  
23 EPA contact person, and that will serve as --

24                  **MR. FEKETE:** Their docket will be  
25 marked as submitted?

1                   **MR. IRELAND:** Yes, absolutely.

2                   **MR. FEKETE:** Thank you. Army Corps  
3 of Engineers report. I see Mr. Nguyen is not with us.

4                   **MS. MILLS:** No, Mr. Nguyen's wife  
5 had a baby.

6                   **MR. FEKETE:** Good to see you.

7                   **MS. MILLS:** Good evening. Natalie  
8 Mills with the Army Corps of Engineers. CDF  
9 Construction. We've got the groundwater gradient  
10 control system. The field office, they're coordinating  
11 final submittals with the contractors, so the drawings  
12 and what we call our construction documentation report  
13 for final submittal. So we're working on that effort.

14                               The facility and dredging  
15 operations. Ongoing dredging and placement. The  
16 dredging is planned right now through mid-July, and  
17 tends to be complete with the approximately 400,000  
18 cubic yards of dredged material. And continuing  
19 operation of the gradient control system.

20                               The retrofit contract. As Fernando  
21 indicated, we did provide for review the revised main  
22 entrance ramp scope of work, as well as the scope of  
23 work for the extraction well design. And we are  
24 currently working on the scope of work for the inner  
25 dike slope stabilizer. And we're still in discussions

1 on the parkway improvement. I think what we're thinking  
2 for the parkway improvement is just a removal of the  
3 existing stone and the replacement with some kind of a  
4 geo-textile. And I don't know what kind of stone yet; I  
5 haven't heard any prices yet. I wasn't able to get with  
6 the civil engineer on pricing. I think maybe like lava  
7 or some kind of decorative rock. So that's still along  
8 the lines of what we're thinking. Of course, when we  
9 get closer to having something more, of course we'll  
10 share that for discussion.

11 CDF documentation. We're still  
12 working to get the documentation together for the TSCA  
13 submittal. We still need some contractor submittal  
14 information before we can apply for the TSCA permit. We  
15 do intend to apply for it, we were hoping this summer,  
16 but it may be the fall, depending on when we get the  
17 submittals from these contractors and we approve them.

18 Oil boom coordination. BP removed  
19 the oil boom across the canal west of Indianapolis  
20 Boulevard. And EPA is in discussions with the Corps and  
21 BP and others on the biweekly meeting group -- or how  
22 often do they meet, once a month? I don't know what the  
23 frequency is any more.

24 **MR. TREVINO:** No, it's every 2  
25 weeks.

1                   **MS. MILLS:** It is biweekly.  
2 Regarding a plan for some kind of oil boom to go back  
3 across the canal during dredging operations, rather than  
4 leaving the canal open with no oil boom. I guess more  
5 information will be forthcoming on that.

6                   PCA and non-federal funding. As far  
7 as I know, there's been no progress on the PPA. Kim's  
8 indicated we've got new counsel, and I think he's going  
9 to be tasked with working on the PPA revisions.

10                   One other thing to note is that the  
11 Chicago District will be moving to a new office. I  
12 don't know if you guys have heard that information yet,  
13 but on or around July 15th, we're moving from 111 North  
14 Canal to 231 South LaSalle. And we'll provide the  
15 mailing address information so you guys can have that.  
16 But we have been in that building for 24 years, so it  
17 was time for us to move on. The whole thing with  
18 competition and contracting, we have to share the  
19 wealth. So we'll be in a new lease.

20                   **MR. FEKETE:** You're too close to  
21 Boeing right there anyway.

22                   **MS. MILLS:** Yeah, we can't get any  
23 cell signal. And that's all that I have.

24                   **MR. BAKOTA:** Good to see you again.

25                   **MS. MILLS:** Good to see you guys



1 too. It's good to be out here.

2 **MR. FEKETE:** Any questions for  
3 Natalie?

4 **(NO RESPONSE)** .

5 **MR. FEKETE:** Thank you very much.

6 **MS. MILLS:** Thank you.

7 **MR. FEKETE:** Did we have a report  
8 from Harris?

9 **MR. TREVINO:** Yeah, he gave me a  
10 written report. He wasn't able to attend; he's recently  
11 had a child too. So if you'd like I could read his  
12 notes here. They're pretty straightforward.

13 **MR. FEKETE:** Do we have any  
14 questions? It's pretty self-explanatory; he always does  
15 a pretty good job, unless there's something unusual that  
16 would come up.

17 **MR. EBERT:** No questions.

18 **MR. FEKETE:** No questions, okay.  
19 New business?

20 **(NO RESPONSE)** .

21 **MR. FEKETE:** No new business. Other  
22 business?

23 **MR. LOPEZ:** On other business, I'd  
24 like to make a comment. Working with these guys here,  
25 estimated 3 years to get the canal?

1                   **MR. IRELAND:** To get the design  
2 done, we're thinking 2.

3                   **MR. LOPEZ:** I didn't think in my  
4 lifetime we'd ever see that clean. I didn't, because I  
5 remember when I was a kid I used to fish there. Now  
6 it's all polluted and everything. But if they can clean  
7 that in 3 years, I hope I can last 3 years to see it.

8                   **MR. FEKETE:** You will.

9                   **MR. LOPEZ:** Best thing we ever did  
10 was to get you guys on it.

11                   **MR. FEKETE:** You have the incentive  
12 now. Other business. We had mentioned over the last  
13 couple of meetings about doing some ethics training.  
14 Just to keep the board informed, I've been in touch with  
15 Cal Bellamy who has a local group that he basically  
16 heads up. And it includes several of the communities.  
17 And I've been in conversation with him, as well as  
18 trading some e-mails. And we're taking a look as to  
19 how we would fit within his organization. Basically,  
20 what they do is they have a code of principles. You  
21 adhere to this code of principles. As far as training  
22 is concerned, it's just basically a couple of meetings  
23 at night at Teibel's, no less.

24                   **MR. BAKOTA:** I attended that too --  
25 we attended that. We were asked to make sure we attend

1 through the Water Department.

2                   **MR. FEKETE:** Yeah. So it's that  
3 kind of training that goes along with it. He's taking a  
4 good look to see if an organization such as ours --  
5 which is very small in comparison to others that are  
6 participating -- how it would fit in. So we're trying  
7 to work our way through that. So just to let you know  
8 that we are continuing along that line.

9                   Any other business?

10                   **(NO RESPONSE)** .

11                   **MR. FEKETE:** Any public comments?

12                   **(NO RESPONSE)** .

13                   **MR. FEKETE:** No public comments.

14 Our next board meeting will be July 17th, 5:00 p.m. at  
15 this building. I'll have a motion to adjourn.

16                   **MR. EBERT:** Motion to adjourn.

17                   **MR. FEKETE:** Do I have a second?

18                   **MR. RODRIGUEZ:** Second.

19                   **MR. FEKETE:** All in favor signify by  
20 saying yes.

21                   **THE BOARD:** (Collective "yes").

22                   **MR. FEKETE:** Meeting is adjourned at  
23 5:40.

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