

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR GLWA AND DWSD MEETINGS

ON DECEMBER 18,2019

Please put the following comments into meeting minutes

Saulius Simoliunas has stated that the GLWA commission policies have remained unchanged from the failed DWSD policies: i.e. no carbon filtration, no ultra-violet or ozonation; but instead the continued reliance on toxic chlorine; no real drainage plan nor any coordination with street replacements; and the continued release of sewage into the river.

Soul started the composition of the board has changed 67% since its formation. There are 6 members, all appointees: 1 from Wayne co. executive, 1 from Macomb co. executive, 1 from Oakland executive, 1 from the Governor, and 2 (two) from the Detroit Mayor. The 2 from the City of Detroit are first, DWSD whistleblower Director Brown, an ex-council member who moved us into the consent agreement and toward the subsequent Detroit bankruptcy, and second, ex-candidate for Mayor, ex-chair of the 2009 Detroit Charter Revision Commission, ex-member of the City of Detroit's oversight board of the failing Greektown Casino; these two Detroit representatives have not been replaced on the GLWA board, yet.

To my knowledge, all of the members are political appointees with questionable chemical and engineering background. They generally rubberstamp the contracts brought before them; the contractors get their contracts; the water charges are increased by 4% a year, which is higher than inflation, but there is no increase in the quality of intake or discharge water.

In this 'democracy,' could the peanut gallery be not only listened to, but answered?

Could the DWSD and GLWA oil the 50+ year-old chairs in the 5th fl. Meeting room at 735 Randolph, so that we can hear what is said at the table (and over your phone line conferences) instead the creak of the chairs anytime someone moves in the audience?

Could you post **all** the contract bids on your website before the meetings?

Could we see what the people at the table are looking at on their computers on our computers too?

Could we hire more civil servants and save money and get a policy furthered.

Can we ask the Army Corp of Engineering, the US Ecological Survey dept.? to develop water way routes for stormwater to the river? Cindy Darrah