

TAYCHEEDAH SANITARY DISTRICT #3
MONTHLY COMMISSION MEETING
February 16, 2023
5:30 P.M.
TAYCHEEDAH TOWN HALL

Members present: President Katherine Diederich, and Commissioners Brian Mand and Mark Haensgen. Also present: Recording Secretary Brenda Schneider and John Rickert.

Call to order. President Diederich called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the minutes of the 1/19/2023 monthly meeting. Motion by Brian Mand, second by Mark Haensgen, to approve the minutes of the meeting conducted on January 19th, as distributed. Motion carried (3-0).

Approval of the bills. Motion by Katherine Diederich, second by Mark Haensgen, to approve the bills (order #14-19), for a total of \$14,445.48; including the investment of \$200,005.00 with Marine Credit Union for a 36-month CD of \$200,000 and \$5 for the required savings account. Motion carried (3-0).

Motion by Katherine Diederich, second by Brian Mand, to authorize the following:

- Transfer \$14,500.00 from the Operations/User Charge Account to the regular checking account, and Motion carried (3-0).

Sewer System Maintenance:

1. Consideration and possible action regarding general maintenance and operational issues:

- a. Meter Stations. Nothing to report at this time.
- b. Lift Stations. The January pump-run time reports for all lift stations were reviewed. Nothing to report at this time.
 - i. Discuss the purchase of generators, access to a generator and the equipment to operate it. (*Reprinted from February 24, 2022 meeting.*) Randy Rieder offered the District use of the Town's portable generator noting that sanitary district use was the purpose of the purchase. Mark Haensgen and John Rickert will work with Randy to test the generator at one of the lift stations. Proceeding with the possible purchase of a stationary generator will be based upon the result of the testing. The test has not yet been scheduled.
- c. Grinder stations. John Rickert reported the station located at the Jeff Braun property has excessive moisture in the cabinet. He noticed the heater started on during very cold weather. John contacted Sabel Mechanical to add a thermostat to control the heater. After installation, there is still excessive moisture. Sabel recommends replacing the seal.

On September 13, 2021, the Commission accepted a quote from Sabel Mechanical to upgrade all of the grinder pump stations. At this time, some of the stations have been started but none of those are complete. Of the stations that have been started, none of them have had the telemetry installed and the spliced electrical wiring in the wet well has yet to be replaced in accordance with Code. A representative of Sabel Mechanical recently told him they were not able to get the components before winter.

- d. Clearwater inspections. All violations have been remediated with the exception of one that has been outstanding since 2019. The last report from the property owner was that he needs more pipe. The enforcement letter was sent to the property owner on February 14 via certified mail.
- e. Other maintenance and operational issues. Nothing to report at this time.

Unfinished Business:

1. Discuss connection inspection and Digger's Hotline locate services. Motion by Katherine Diederich, second by Brian Mand, to hire Mike Sabel for Digger's Hotline locate services at a rate of \$26 per hour. Motion carried (3-0). Inspection services will be further discussed during the next meeting.

New Business:

1. Discuss EPA's Clean Watershed Needs Survey. The Commission does not plan to respond as it is a survey.
2. Review the estimated financial impact of the City of Fond du Lac's Capital Improvement Plan. The CIP pertains to treatment plant and related projects for years 2023-2027. Total estimated expenditures are \$41,330,000. The estimated financial impact to our District is \$491,478.32.
3. Review utility voucher request. Cindy Farvour, District Account, was contacted by Julie Hopper, Salvation Army, regarding account ID 0424. The District will accept a check for payment issued to the resident and the Sanitary District to which resident would endorse the check to the District.

Schedule the next meeting: Tentatively scheduled for Thursday, March 16th, at 5:30 pm.

Comments from the public pertaining to District business. None presented.

Adjournment. Motion by Mark Heansgen, second by Brian Mand, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 pm. Motion carried (3-0).

Attest. _____
Brenda A. Schneider, District Recording Secretary