

TAYCHEEDAH SANITARY DISTRICT #3
MONTHLY COMMISSION MEETING
February 15, 2024
5:30 P.M.
SUNSET ON THE WATER GRILL & BAR

Members present: President Katherine Diederich and Commissioners Brian Mand and Mark Haensgen. Also present: Recording Secretary Brenda Schneider and Inspector 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 1/18/24 monthly meeting. Motion by Mark Haensgen, second by Brian Mand, to approve the minutes of the meeting conducted on January 18th. Motion carried (3-0).

Approval of the bills. Motion by Katherine Diederich, second by Mark Haensgen, to approve the bills (order #11-18), for a total of \$19,563.98, noting an invoice of \$192.42 from Omni Site for telemetry service to six grinder pump stations, covering the period of October 16 to December 31. Per John Rickert, only one station has functioning telemetry at this time that the District has yet to access. Credit will be taken from a future invoice. Also, a letter will be sent to Sabel regarding possible denial of payment for work done without authorization from the District. Motion carried (3-0).

Motion by Katherine Diederich, second by Mark Haensgen, to authorize the following:

- Transfer \$19,500.00 from the Operations/User Charge Account to the regular checking account.

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.
 - 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. John Rickert, Mark Haensgen and Randy Rieder met a couple of time to test the generator. They have not been able to get it to work. In the past, the Town changed the wiring. At this point, they are unsure if the problem is wiring-related or with the generator itself. They are also unsure if the generator is capable of providing enough power to run the station. Randy Rieder plans to have an electrician take another look at it in the future.

- c. Grinder stations. The recently installed alarm system at the Treffert station, W4014 Cty. WH, was humming. Rickert contacted Sabel Mechanical. Sabel indicated the part has been on back-order for three months.

John Rickert spoke to Mark at Sabel Mechanical. Sabel Mechanical does not plan to replace the spliced cords until the pumps need to be replaced. Currently, the cords are connected with wire nuts. Also, Sabel does not plan to fix the check valve at the N8628 Decorah Lane station until the next time the pump needs repair.

The telemetry has been installed in two of the eight stations; however, the district has not had online administrative access. Mark, Sabel Mechanical, supplied additional information this week regarding access.

The station at N7956 County Road WH is the last one to be upgraded. Sabel Mechanical indicated that the last upgrade will be completed when the weather is favorable. Rickert was not aware if the upgrade has been recently completed.

- d. Clearwater elimination.
 - i. Home inspections. Nothing to report at this time.
 - ii. 2024 televising plans. The Commission reviewed the proposed area to be televised as compiled by John Rickert and Brenda Schneider. See New Business Item #1.
- e. Other maintenance and operational issues. Nothing to report at this time.

Unfinished Business:

- 1) Discuss the status of the Hawk's Landing sewer extension. The Developer's Agreement, including the Commission's conditions, was released to Eric Otte. On December 12th, Eric Otte contacted John Rickert to request he sign the Owner's Approval Letter on behalf of the Commission. President Diederich was unavailable that week. Otte assured Rickert that it was acceptable for him to sign the Letter even though he is no longer a Commissioner. Commission consensus was in order to ensure compliance with the Agreement and its' exhibit, approval will be revoked if requirements are not promptly completed. President Diederich recently received an email stating all necessary agencies have approved the project. Diederich will follow-up with Eric Otte.
- 2) Preliminary discussion regarding purchase of Town of Taycheedah capacity. President Diederich announced that Eric Otte is compiling the calculations regarding the purchase price of the remaining capacity currently held by the Town. The topic was to be revisited in the future.

New Business:

- 1) Consideration and possible acceptance of a quote to perform sewer main cleaning and televising. The following quotes were received:

Green Bay Pipe & TV	\$1.05 per foot
Great Lakes TV Seal	\$0.70 per foot
Speedy Clean	\$0.94 per foot

Motion by Mark Haensgen, second by Brian Mand, to accept the quote from Great Lakes TV Seal of \$0.70 per foot to clean and televise four miles of sewer main. Motion carried (3-0).
- 2) Discuss compiling a newsletter for distribution with the spring billing cycle. President Diederich will distribute a draft newsletter for review and input.

Schedule the next meeting. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 6th at 5:30 pm, at the Taycheedah Town Hall.

Comments from the public pertaining to District business. No comments were presented.

Adjournment. Motion by Brian Mand, second by Mark Haensgen, to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 pm. Motion carried (3-0).

Attest. _____
Brenda A. Schneider, District Recording Secretary