

LELAND TOWNSHIP SEWER COMMISSION
Friday, January 6, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.
Leland Township Office
224 W. Main Street, Lake Leelanau, MI 49653

MINUTES

PRESENT: Treasurer Shirley Garthe, Chair Jim Redmond, Steve Patmore

ABSENT: Richard Roberts, Frank Migda

Quorum not present

GUESTS: Mitch Gawrysiak, Bob Polanic

CALL TO ORDER – Mr. Redmond called the workshop meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

REPORTS

1. Treasurer (report on file in Leland Township Office)

It was a normal month. Ms. Garthe reported on income and expenses in the Sewer Operating and Improvement funds. There was also discussion of expenses throughout the year. The report was distributed to the Commission members.

2. Sewer Administrator, Monthly report and update on current projects.

The report was distributed to Commission members.

Effluent flow is down from last year; 9% lower than 2021. The limit is 33 million gallons. Call outs for problems with the plant biofilter have gone down. There are 3 spots of leaking in the drain field. They are trying different things to stop it. Two projects are needing attention: the Thompson Street guide rails and seal replacement, and the influent flowmeter. We need a new check valve on the sludge pump. Repairs were discussed with the IAI representatives.

The hydrogen sulfide project is ongoing. They are looking for alternatives. The smell is getting bad at Duck lake Road and Popp Road.

Operation Reports – Infrastructure Alternatives Inc.

Calls have gone down since work has been done at the plant. There were 2 resident call outs. Mitch explained the call outs. There was discussion about step pumps and residences in general.

The report was distributed to Commission members. Other repairs and maintenance are noted in the monthly operation maintenance report. It was discussed and agreed that new dosing valves should be acrylic coated because they will last longer.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

1. Update on ongoing projects, maintenance, and budget

Discussed in reports above.

2. Discussion on 2023-2024 budgets

Mr. Patmore prepared a draft budget. There was discussion of the hydrogen sulfide. Mr. Patmore discussed each item on the draft budget. Mr. Redmond asked him to prioritize the list within the next month.

There was discussion of when the budget should be done and when the Commission should meet.

3. Assessment of Facilities report – not discussed.

4. Meeting schedule for 2023 – not discussed.

COMMISSIONER COMMENT - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

NEXT MEETING: Friday, February 3, 2023

Secondary meeting if needed: February 17, 2023

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Kacin, Recording Secretary

Date Approved: _____

Jim Redmond, Chair

Lisa Brookfield, Township Clerk