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WASTEWATER BOARD MEETING

June 26, 2024 @ 6:30 PM

Meeting Called to Order

Chairman Mike Mroczek called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

Roll Call

Chair Mroczek took roll call. Members present: John Brandt, Jeff VanBelle, Dan Stutsman, John Bossler and Bruce Cassady. Absent – Dave Stiffler

Public Comments (3 minutes per person) – Ontwa Township Supervisor Jerry Marchetti stated the Ontwa Township Wastewater System including financials are in good order.

Approve Agenda Member Stutsman made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Member Bossler supported the motion. All member present vote Yea, no Nays. **Motion carries.**

Approve Last Meeting Minutes – May 22, 2024

Member VanBelle made the motion to approve as presented. Member Bossler supports the motion. All members present vote yea, no nays. **Motion carries.**

Financial Report The financial report was included in the packet which covers two months. Chairman Mroczek pointed out the system is operating approximately 35% under budget at this time. Discussion followed.

Wastewater Report - Administrator Brigid Forlenza

1. IAI Reports – Reports are included in the packet.

During the month of May 2024, approximately 9,598,000 gallons of wastewater was generated and pumped to Elkhart. Only called out for two emergencies in May. The Odallogger at end of pipe is running good. The collection system continues to operate in excellent condition.

In June 2024 Ray Stodder and Missy Stodder were successful in passing the written exam for certification as a *Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Class D* from the Michigan Dept. of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy. Congratulations to both of them.

2. Waste Water Report – WW Administrator Forlenza

- Contacted Wastewater Engineer to finish work on the following:
 - a. Plan for testing equipment water filtration plant.
 - b. Lift station lining.
 - c. Survey – Section Street June 10 – 24.
- New Manhole Max Street & Brizandine Street added to ESRI
- Worked with SEMCO regarding correction of easement on lot at Max Street and Brizandine Street
- Cass County Road Commission Engineer Joe Bellina; Abandonment of roadend will preserve utility easement. Administrator Forlenza has been working with engineer and Attorney to create legal easement as a permanent record with county clerks office.
- ESRI has been renewed for the year.
- Franke Environmental calibrated C1 & ESC per requirement.
- Contacted Cass County Road Commission Engineer Joe Bellina regarding concrete barriers placed on top of gravity line and near manhole at the end of section street.
- Assisted numerous clients regarding taps, as-builts and lead sheets.
- Pumps were delivered for C2 June 26 & 27, 2024. Will install both new pumps this coming week.

Unfinished - Old Business

1. Wet Well Lining B3 – B4
 - No bid received from Wightman Engineer
2. Section Street Easement
 - Talked with Joe Bellina regarding legal easement.

New Business

1. Detroit Pumps – C3

A motion is made by Member Cassady to accept the submersible sewage pump proposal from Detroit Pump for C3 not to exceed \$13,500.00. Member Stutsman supports. Discussion follows. **A roll call vote is taken, all members present vote yea, no nays. Motion carries.**

2. Selge Manholes –

A motion is made by Member VanBelle to accept the proposal for adjusting six manhole castings from Selge Construction not to exceed \$12,000.00. Member Brandt supports. Discussion follows. **A roll call vote is taken and all members present vote yea, no nay votes. Motion carries.**

3. Hesco / Teledyne – Information is included in the packet for the board to review. This item is projected to be on the agenda for more discussion at the next meeting.

Included in the packet is information from Perceptive Service & Operations to clean stations. Discussion followed.

Chairman Mroczek recommended that Laura Kolo attend a Wastewater Board Meeting to answer questions and contribute information to the Ontwa Wastewater Board. Everyone is in favor.

Member Brandt makes the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member VanBelle supports the motion to adjourn. Meeting is adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Submitted By: Lori Mroczek, Recording Secretary