

SANITARY SEWER COMMISSION MINUTES September 26, 2017 – 6:00 PM

PRESENT: Commissioners: Chair Todd Larson, Howard Levo, Bill Anderson, Operator John Stack, Maintenance Jim Dawson, Swan Dawson.

MINUTES: Motion to approve August 2017 meeting minutes by Larson, second by Levo. MC

BILLS: Motion to approve all invoices by Larson, second by Anderson. MC

TREASURER'S: Report will be discussed later in agenda with budgets.

CORRESPONDENCE: Request to hunt at sewer ponds by C. Musch denied due to liability factor and being public property if allow one person would have to allow everyone. Unanimous to follow present regulations stating no hunting as posted at the ponds.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS: John Kamrath present to discuss the seals and wear rings at the lift stations. All six seals failed. He does not recommend soft starts and they are costly and more likely to clog. He recommends that we go with VFD's (variable frequency drive) which would cost less and be more effective. Kamrath stated that #3 lift station should have the transformer removed by an electrician. Stack will address this problem. Kamrath stated that Focus on Energy has a grant for \$2000.00 if all the work was done on the lift stations to conserve energy. The approximate cost would be \$13,000.00. Kamrath stated he would send a quote within the next few days to review. Kamrath brought up the floats that were ordered during the month.

NEW BUSINESS: 2018 working budget moved to the end of agenda.

OLD BUSINESS Action Items: The letter to the Phillips Rd. and Maple Creek homeowners is being revised and will go out soon for work to be scheduled in the spring. Larson stated he will review within the next month. Woodland Trail lateral work will be followed up to get a hold of Don Harvey to cap laterals. Closing of Highway B for maintenance discussed. This work is scheduled to be done the week of October 16. Swan will contact Douglas County to make arrangements for the next step with regards to posting and closing of the road. Flyers regarding disposable wipes will be sent in the October sewer statements.

MAINTENANCE: J. Dawson reported that ponds had been sprayed, back gate fixed, and dead tree was cut. He stated that the ponds could not be cut as too brushy, but may be done over the winter. It was suggested that we could burn that area.

OPERATOR'S REPORT: Stack gave his report with the information that the annual inspection of pumps had been accomplished and that is where the problems occurred under additional items.

TREASURER'S REPORT TABLED FROM ABOVE: Treasurer's report approved by Larson second by Levo. MC Discussion on funds until the end of year and what we would be able to pay. We still have funds left in the line of credit account. Anderson stated that we should go ahead and approve the work with putting in the VFD's to be done at the lift stations with an amount up to \$13,000.00. Moved to approve work by Larson second by Levo. MC

Seals and wear rings at an estimated cost of \$4500.00 should be done this fall. Moved to approve replacing seals and one wear ring by Larson second by Levo. MC Budget will be forwarded to Village Board for review.

BUDGET TABLED FROM ABOVE: 2018 proposed budget gone through line by line, discussed, and approved by Larson second by Levo. MC

CORRESPONDENCE FROM CHAIR: Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 6:00PM.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Larson, second by Anderson to adjourn at 7:35pm. MC

Respectfully Submitted,

Swan L. Dawson, Acting Clerk