

Regular Meeting of the Shetek Area Water and Sewer Commission July 9, 2018

Members present: Jamie Thomazin, Harley Wahl, Dave Maguire, Donna Kor, Trevor Humphrey, Jon Hoyme, Greg Grant.

Others: Jean Christoffels, Sarah Soderholm, Blake Heronimous, Lori Gunnick, Dave Brown, Ron Schramel.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Jamie Thomazin at 4:00 PM.

Update on Delayed Hookups:

The SAWS attorney shared with the Board the options when dealing with the delayed hook ups not already in compliance. One option would be to file a lawsuit requiring them to connect as required by the Ordinance, which could be costly. The second option would be for the attorney to send the remaining delayed hookups a letter giving them a final opportunity to connect before a lawsuit will be filed.

- **Motion (7/9/18a)** Moved by Dave Maguire and seconded by Greg Grant to have SAWS attorney send a letter to remaining delayed hookups . Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion (7/9/18b)** Moved by Donna Kor, seconded by Harley Wahl to begin legal proceedings after deadline on letter if connections are not completed. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes:

- **Motion (7/9/18c)** Moved by Harley Wahl, seconded Greg Grant to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurers report:

- **Motion (7/9/18d)** Moved by Greg Grant, seconded by Dave Maguire to approve payment of the invoices totaling \$26,489.79. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion (7/9/18e)** Moved by Harley Wahl, seconded by Greg Grant to approve payment of the invoices totaling \$9,931.26 related to insurance claim. After further discussion, the motion failed.
- **Motion (7/9/18f)** Moved by Donna Kors, seconded by Harley Wahl to approve payment of Slayton Plumbing & Heating and Enviro Pump Plus invoices related to insurance claim. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion (7/9/18g)** Moved by Harley Wahl, seconded by Greg Grant to send letters to individual landowners about decision on insurance claim. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion (7/9/18h)** Moved by Donna Kors, seconded by Greg Grant to table 2019 budget until next month. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineers report:

1. Dave Brown had to leave on a call so Blake tried to fill in what he could.
2. Discussed storm damage and documentation being done by Dave Brown, Blake Heronimous, Jean

Christoffels, and Sarah Soderholm.

3. We have about 40 pumps that may qualify for disaster relief, perhaps more along with other equipment.

➤ **Motion (7/9/18i)** Moved by Donna Kor, seconded by Harley Wahl to purchase pumps and alarm boxes to replace those that were flooded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Discussed the emergency discharge necessary due to the heavy rains. MPCA approval was determined prior to emergency discharge.

5. Issues with Lift Station #3 and #4 were discussed. MPCA was notified prior to the bypass during the flash flooding. Also, Quality Flow was involved with pump issues.

Other:

1. Discussion was had on delinquent sewer bills.

➤ **Motion (7/9/18j)** Moved by Donna Kors, seconded by Greg Grant to send letters to landowners with delinquent sewer bills. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion was had on the annual rate review.

➤ **Motion (7/9/18k)** Moved by David Maguire, seconded by Donna Kors to have the SAWS Board conduct the annual rate review. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Follow-up discussion was had related to sewer billing questions at 29 Valhalla Dr.

➤ **Motion (7/9/18l)** Moved by Harley Wahl, seconded by Dave Maguire to forgive the late fees associated with the months in question. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Conversation was had regarding the pipe extension on the Inlet.

➤ **Motion (7/9/18m)** Moved by Donna Kors, seconded by Dave Maguire to table discussions until next month. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Dave Brown will continue to look at pontoon/ boat options for the ponds when treating is necessary.

Next meeting: August 13, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Adjourn:

➤ **Motion (7/9/18n)** Moved by Harley Wahl, seconded by Greg Grant to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jon Hoyme
Shetek Area Water & Sewer Commission Secretary