

Regular Meeting of the Shetek Area Water and Sewer Commission April 8, 2024

Members present: Jamie Thomazin, Trevor Humphrey, Jon Hoyme, David Maguire, Greg Grant, Valarie Kastner

Members absent: Donna Kor

Others present: Dave Brown, Sarah Soderholm, Jean Christoffels, Dean Salmon, Robert Smithback

Others present via teleconference: Lori Gunnick, Brett Huber

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jamie Thomazin at 4:00 PM.

No conflicts of interest were identified.

Agenda:

- **Motion (4/8/2024a)** Moved by Jon Hoyme, seconded by Trevor Humphrey to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes:

- **Motion (4/8/2024b)** Moved by Jon Hoyme, seconded by Greg Grant to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurers report:

- **Motion (4/8/2024c)** Moved by Trevor Humphrey, seconded by David Maguire to approve payment of the invoices totaling \$45,029.72. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion (4/8/2024d)** Moved by Trevor Humphrey, seconded by Jon Hoyme to approve payment of the recurring invoices totaling \$15,434.28. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion (4/8/2024e)** Moved by David Maguire, seconded by Jon Hoyme to approve adding the Murray County Recorder to the monthly recurring invoice list. Motion carried unanimously.

Brett Huber – Lake Sarah extension:

Brett Huber was questioning why the cost of extending the centralized sewer is much higher than the estimate he received last fall. He also wanted to know why he hasn't been notified of meetings or changes. All SAWS meetings are open to the public. He was emailed an updated copy of the expected costs during the meeting. Last fall's estimate did not include an estimate of engineering costs. Also, the total easement costs increased. Brett does not feel that he should be responsible for the cost of easements and feels he should have been included in the negotiations. The Board continued to discuss the changes with Robert Smithback, the developer.

Engineers report:

1. Dave Brown discussed a reoccurring maintenance issue at Lift Station #2 during wet weather.
2. Materials are starting to arrive for extensions.
3. Dave submitted the 2024-2025 Operation & Maintenance Proposal. The proposal is showing a 4.45% increase from the previous year.
 - **Motion (4/8/2024f)** Moved by Trevor Humphrey, seconded by David Maguire, to approve the proposal for July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Motion carrier unanimously.

Next meeting: May 13, 2024 at 4:00 PM

Adjourn:

- **Motion (4/8/2024g)** Moved by John Hoyme, seconded by David Maguire to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie Kastner
Shetek Area Water & Sewer Commission Secretary