



**MINUTES  
JANUARY 23, 2019**

Present: Dan Vanden Berg, Eugene Klister

Absent: Chris Evers

Others Present: Terri Romitti, FSD; Sam VanHandel, FSD, Dean Zanon, Cedar Corp, Vern Newhouse, Resident

Meeting called to order at 6:30 a.m. at the Freedom Sanitary District Office

Verification of posting as indicated on the bottom of the agenda.

Motion by Eugene Klister to adopt the agenda. Second by Dan Vanden Berg. Motion Carried (2-0).

Open Floor Session – None

Motion by Dan Vanden Berg to approve vouchers 17701 – 17717 including 4 auto draws for a total of \$46,260.65 (Water \$16,208.41 and Sewer \$30,052.24) Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (2-0).

Motion by Eugene Klister to approve the January 9, 2019 and January 16, 2019 minutes as written. Second by Dan Vanden Berg. Motion Carried (2-0).

Update on WWTF Equipment Replacement & Process enhancements, Contract B-18. Things are moving forward smoothly. A few work change directives coming up will be the change in paint from semi-gloss to gloss, and the piping in the vault. The system integrator attended the meeting and is starting that process. There was no change order or pay request to process at this time.

Reviewed the resolution to extend interim financing until the Clean Water Fund Loan is closed. The closing for the Clean Water Fund Loan should be closing in the next month or so. All paperwork has been submitted.

Motion by Eugene Klister to approve Resolution 2019-01 to authorizing the extension of the terms for the \$3,500,000 general obligation promissory note through Nicolet Bank for six months until August 1, 2019. Second by Dan Vanden Berg. Motion Carried (2-0).

Reviewed and discussed information received from the Town regarding BelGioioso. No communication from the Town.

Discussed the Notice of Hearing that Freedom Sanitary District users received from Town of Freedom. Commissioners discussed the speculations that the Town has made. Discussed the fact that we are doing a nearly \$4.5 million upgrade at the WWTF without a need for a rate increase per the State of Wisconsin DOA. The Sanitary District is in good financial condition. We have not raised water rates since 2016 because the PSC will not allow it. The Sanitary District Commissioners are on 6-year terms and elected by the Sanitary District Users. Other municipalities who have not had full time qualified inspections are finding out the hard way with having to relay pipe at the cost of the users. Those communities are going back to hiring full time qualified inspectors. The Sanitary District will continue to communicate with property owners the facts. The Sanitary District has received no communication from the Town regarding this matter.


Other Business Before the Board –

- Reviewed the email from Steve Brueggeman regarding Bell Court / Elk Lane. He now submitted road plans and wants us to complete in 2019. We had already discussed this with Brueggeman at a previous meeting that we will go in right before the Town to relay the sewer main. We were told at the end of the year 2018 that the Town did not have the funding and would not be able to complete the work until 2020. That is what the Sanitary District was planning on.

Motion by Dan Vanden Berg to adjourn. Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (2-0).

Adjourned at 8:18 a.m.

  
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Dan Vanden Berg                      Date: 2-6-19

  
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Chris Evers                              Date: 2-6-19