

MINUTES

MAY 5, 2021

MEETING

Present: Dan Vanden Berg, Eugene Klister, Chris Evers

Others Present: Terri Romitti, FSD; Dean Zanon, Cedar Corporation

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 Chris Evers. Motion Carried (3-0).

Open Floor Session – None.

Motion by Chris Evers to approve vouchers 18795 – 18827 including a wire transfer for a total of \$273,937.77 (Water \$17,454.02 and Sewer \$256,483.75) Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (3-0).

Motion by Dan Vanden Berg to approve the April 7, 2021 minutes as written. Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (3-0).

Update on elevated storage tank repainting Contract A-21. Working with AT&T to have their equipment removed and work completed so that we can begin painting. Communications have continued but AT&T continues to delay.

Update on Hwy 55 sewer replacement and DOT project was given. Cedar is working through the design and plans. Working through figuring out the casing under the Duck Creek. The Advertisement for bid will be to the Sanitary District by May 13th for publication on May 20th. Construction will be between August and October.

Update on Bell Court / Elk Lane Sewer Replacement. The Town has now made this a road project for 2022. The District will not complete this year. We have televised that area but are awaiting records yet.

Discussed the response that was drafted to MCC for the property that they would like potentially brought into the Sewer Service Area. It was determined at a joint Town Board and Planning Commission meeting that the focus needs to occur in the vacant areas which already exist in the Sanitary District and 2030 Sewer Service Area Boundary. A letter was drafted to Stuart Beduhn, MCC Broker and reviewed at the meeting. It will be sent out this week.

Update on potential developments. — Cedar has received direction from the Town to work on some cost estimates for some future industrial development. We have not heard anything on Schmidt property. Chris is going to reach out to a few property owners near the area where we will be replacing sewer on STH 55.

Update on Public Service Commission Application for Water Rate Increase. Commissioners reviewed the information from the PSC. Rate increase will be around 12%. Final determination is not completed yet. Also we will move forward with recommended 7% sewer increase from Ginny Hinz.

Reviewed the financing timeline and letter from Baird for the upcoming financing.

Motion by Chris Evers to agree to the agreement with Baird to move forward with the financing. Second by Dan Vanden Berg. Motion Carried (3-0).

Discussed grease trap program. The District has in the ordinance information on Grease Traps. Freedom Foods had a backup in their lateral that was at the main due to a grease build-up. The District will work on implanting a grease trap program in the near future.

Engineers Report – Nothing additional

Other Business Before the Board –

• Discussed Fire Department Water Flow situation with their fill line and back flow preventer.

Motion by Eugene Klister to adjourn. Second by Dan Vanden Berg. Motion Carried (3-0).

Adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

Dan Vanden Berg

Date:

Chris Evers

Date