

## MINUTES JUNE 15, 2022 FSD MEETING

Present: Dan Vanden Berg, Eugene Klister Chris Evers

Others Present: Terri Romitti, FSD; Dean Zanon, Cedar Corporation, Jason Vanden Berg & Tom Derks, Country Fields Subdivision Developer

Meeting called to order at 6:31 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 – Chris gave update on storage shed from the planning commission.

Motion by Chris Evers to approve vouchers 19295 – 19316 including 3 auto draws and voiding check 19306 for a total of \$57,368.68 (Water \$45,860.88 and Sewer \$11,507.80) Second by Dan Vanden Berg. Motion Carried (3-0).

Motion by Eugene Klister to approve the June 1, 2022 minutes as written. Second by Chris Evers. Motion Carried (3-0).

Update on STH 55 and Ludwig Street Sanitary Sewer Relay – Contract B-21. Continuing to wait on Advance to complete punchlist items. Flex Mat will need to be reinstalled.

Update on Bell Court & Elk Lane sewer relay project. Pre-Construction meeting was held on June 14<sup>th</sup>. There was not a schedule provided at the meeting. The project will take them a couple of weeks to complete. Completion date per contract is August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Update on repairs to Finnigan's Ridge Well. Required paperwork was received. Partial payment is being made today.

Discussed the reviewing of the developers agreement for Country Fields Subdivision. Cedar had reviewed the developers agreement and provided comments back to Frassetto. Commissioners had no other comments at this time.

Country Fields developers Jason Vanden Berg and Tom Derks attended the meeting to request a variance to the Sanitary District Water and Sewer ordinance that would allow them to begin construction without having official DNR permits for water and sewer. They also requested a variance that would allow them to do construction without obtaining an escrow account. Mr. Derks presented that in other communities, Town of Harrison was stated, they are allowed to begin without DNR permits. The developer will provide a hold harmless letter to the District and cannot connect to the existing District infrastructure until all permits are received and approved. In regards to the Escrow, Mr. Derks stated that Carl Bowers provides a letter saying they pay bills timely. Dean recommended since this is a variance to the ordinance that it would be his recommendation that the District require the developer to present the financial benefit and value it provides to the Town to proceed prior to having permits. Commissioners agreed they would like to see this documented to the District. Derks mentioned they will have 15 holes in the ground by the end of October if they are allowed to proceed. Chris discussed that he would like to see what that means in dollars to the Town and the advantage to starting now versus in a month or so, knowing that there are also dates that need to be met in order for the

Town to see the value on the 2022 property taxes. Eugene Klister commented that he will not vote on the variance until we know for sure that Carl Bowers is ready to begin the work. We can call a special meeting if needed. Developer is going to submit to the District a letter as to what the benefit is to be able to begin without DNR permits and also a hold harmless letter.

Update on developments within in the Sanitary District.

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Engineers Report – Dean continues to work with MW Cole on the Tower punchlist. Dean also presented an addendum for the engineering work for Country Fields Subdivision.

Motion by Eugene Klister to approve the addendum to Country Fields Subdivision. Second by Chris Evers. Motion Carried (3-0).

Other Business Before the Board -

o Terri and Eugene will be conducting interviews for open position.

o Two services were installed on McHugh Rd for an additional two duplexes.

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

Adjourned at 7:59 a.m.

Dan Vanden Berg

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Chris Evers

Date: