

MINUTES MAY 7, 2025 FSD MEETING

Present: Dan Vanden Berg, Eugene Klister, Sam Van Handel

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 Sam Van Handel. Motion Carried (3-0).

Open Floor Session - None

Motion by Eugene Klister to approve vouchers 20444–20471 including 2 wire draws for a total of \$507,060.70 (Water \$108,225.74 and Sewer \$398,834.96) Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (3-0).

April 16, 2025 Minutes - Tabled

Update on Well Site #3 project. Waiting for final approval of well site investigation DNR Review. The next steps will be to work with the governmental agencies on the different site items. By June 30th we will have to have a biddable approvable plan set. Test well will happen once we receive the well site investigation approved by the DNR. Discussed the FRWP treatment process and improvements that need to be made. Cedar is working through options and analyzing that. The ITA and Perf for FRWP was considered undetermined by the DNR. Cedar did follow-up with the DNR and was able to answer the questions they had. We should encounter no issues with funding for the project since they now have their questions answered.

Update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant TSS upgrade project. The Aqua-Aerobics pilot testing is complete. Staff will be doing a couple site visits to facilities that have this filter system. Discussed the current issues with the Atlas-Copco blowers and vendor representative. Cedar talked with Vendor Rep and she agreed that LEI will pay to make things right. We have three that still need to be repaired and changed out with the new oil pump assemblies. Dean also discussed with the Commission the outflow pipe. That pipe is potentially in need of repair and now would be a good time. Commissioners agreed to plan on replacing the steal pie with PVC.

Update on Fox Meadows Subdivision. DeGroot is hoping to get back in there next week. So far weather conditions have not allowed.

Discussed lateral connection in Country Fields Subdivision. Terri and Kyle are scheduled at 10:00 to discuss with contractor the situation. After discussion, being on site the day after the initial attempt, and looking at the remaining pictures the determination from the Commission is that the contractor is responsible for the damage and the work that DeGroot had to repair. Water will not be turned on to the residence until the bill is paid.

Discussed lateral for future assisted living. Robert E Lee contacted the District on behalf of the future assisted living project that will be connected to Country Villa Assisted living. They are requesting water and sewer off of CTH E. We will have M&E Construction do that install. There was also initial talk of the future expansion of condos and Terri has requested that they meet with the District prior to beginning that design.

Engineers Report - Nothing Additional

Other Business Before the Board

Discussed the sewer lateral at W1919 CTH S. The property owner has stated that last fall Reader Plumbing was out to repair the lateral and he is continuing to have issues. He believes it is backing up where they connected it due to pitching. Sam is going to talk with Reader Plumbing to see what the history of this repair is and how they plan on fixing it for the property owner.

Motion by Sam Van Handel to adjourn. Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (3-0).

Adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Dan Vanden Berg Date: Eug