

DELAVAN LAKE SANITARY DISTRICT

MINUTES

Special Meeting

October 1, 2020

8:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

President Miller called the Special Meeting to order at 8:02 A.M. at the Delavan Lake Sanitary District located at 2990 County Rd F South, Delavan, Wisconsin.

ROLL CALL Present: Thomas Miller, President
Kim O'Keefe, Commissioner
Thomas Johnson, Commissioner
David Reider, Commissioner
Richard Beers, Commissioner

Absent: None

Other: Administrator Jim DeLuca
Kim Crosby
Shelly Weeks

Visitors: None

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

President Miller declared a quorum present for doing business.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RESOLUTION NO. 2 OF 2020
REQUESTING ASSISTANCE TO REPAIR WEED HARVESTING EQUIPMENT**

Administrator DeLuca shared that a Resolution is required to petition for a grant. Commissioner O'Keefe made a motion to adopt Resolution 2 of 2020 requesting assistance to repair weed harvesting equipment. Commissioner Reider seconded the motion which passed unanimously upon vote.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING 2021 BUDGET WORKSHOP

An in-depth discussion took place regarding budgeting for future purchases, sewer projects and the dredging project. The monthly billing rate may need to increase as the monthly WalCoMet bill has increased substantially due to many seasonal homeowners choosing to move here and make this their main residence as well as the aging sewer system that has leaks. Broken laterals, broken cleanouts and tree roots are the top three reasons for leaks. The expenditure for WalCoMet could come in approximately \$96,000 higher than is currently being planned for in the 2021 budget. Preparing for these future expenses with the goal of remaining debt free is responsible budgeting. The current ERU rate is at the lower end of what other communities are charging. An increase of \$6 or \$8 will place us in the mid-range of what the other communities are charging. Commissioner O'Keefe made a motion to increase the WalCoMet expenditure in the budget by \$96,432 and increase the ERU rate to \$48 per month. President Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 3 aye, 2 nay vote. President Miller, aye, Commissioner O'Keefe, aye, Commissioner Johnson, nay, Commissioner Reider, aye, Commissioner Beers, nay.

Anticipating questions from residents over the increase, a bullet point summary of why this is necessary was put together.

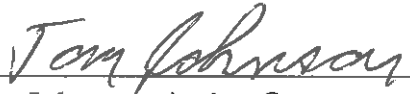
- A 48-year-old system that was designed for 35 to 50 years.
- WalCoMet bills have increased by 30%
- No inventory to cover the cost of repair and maintenance
- More people living in the Sanitary District year round
- Need to upgrade the lift stations

DISCUSSION STATE SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE

Administrator DeLuca informed the Commission of supplemental insurance the State of Wisconsin is offering to employees. If an employee chooses to enroll in this supplemental insurance, employees will pay 100% of the expense. As this is handled through the payroll, Commissioners may see an increase in the expense. However, the increase will be covered by the deduction from the employee's payroll check.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items to discuss, Commissioner Beers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. President Miller seconded the motion which carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9.25 a.m.


Tom Johnson, Acting Secretary

Date Approved: 10/28/2020