

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 FSD MEETING

Present: Dan Vanden Berg, Eugene Klister

Absent: 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 Dan Vanden Berg. Motion Carried (2-0).

Open Floor Session - None

Motion by Eugene Klister to approve vouchers 20211–20228 for a total of \$32,272.55 (Water \$8,640.54 and Sewer \$23,632.01) Second by Dan Vanden Berg, Motion Carried (3-0).

Approve minutes from September 11, 2024 - Tabled

Update on future well #3 and enhancements to Finnigans Ridge Treatment. Prepared for meeting with DNR that will be happening at the end of this meeting. How we proceed will depend on the result of that meeting.

Update on facility plan for the WWTF. Cedar is working with DNR on the follow-up information they needed.

Update on future developments. Gonnering's financial institution contacted us regarding the letter of credit and asked us if we would be willing to decrease the amount of the required amount as the project progressed and payments were made. This will be tabled. Terri will check with Town to see how they are proceeding with this request.

Engineers Report – Nothing additional to report.

Other Business Before the Board

Terri presented a proposal for updating our computers / server. All are in need of updates and new equipment. This would include 3 computers and server updates. The total amount is \$15512.36. These updates are needed in order to run some programs and to enhance the security of the system. Most of the computers are over 10 years old. Dean is going to have his IT department review the proposal.

Met with WI DNR Representatives to discuss the future well site. In person was our local rep, Jamie Douglas along with Alyssa Cahoon. Via virtual was Jarrod McCurdy and Anna Beckman, Cedar Corporation, McCrea Baker and Theera Ratarasarn, WI DNR. The District / Cedar explained to the DNR the reason for the purchase of the Well #3 Site and the investment of putting a dedicated raw water line out to the well site. They also discussed the previous communication with DNR at time of purchase. The District / Cedar was told the DNR would not consider a variance for this site and due to the proximity to the private septic system to the site. Also that the email received prior to purchase or property would not be considered within the DNR.

After meeting with DNR discussion was to have Dan contact property owner near site to see if they would be willing to discuss options as a Step 1 approach. Other options will have to be explored if we cannot get different property.

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

Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Date: Eugene Klister