Duluth/North Shore Sanitary District – Board of Managers

Meeting # 161 7:00 A.M June 18, 2013 French River Lutheran Church

Board Members Present:

Scott Smith, Kevin Bovee, Angela Braud, Katie Kuettel, Dean Korri

Board Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Eric Appelwick, Zach Meyers, Casey Werner, John Fischer, Mia

Thibodeau, Bill Mittlefehldt

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 A.M. by K. Bovee.

2. Approve Agenda:

I. Motion to approve Agenda as printed by S. Smith. Second by K. Kuettel. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Meeting Minutes:**

I. The minutes of the regular meeting #160, May 21, 2013, **Motion** to table the minutes by **K. Kuettel. Second** by **S. Smith. Motion** passed unanimously.

4. Public Comments/Input:

- I. **B.** Mittlefehldt further discussed the proposal presented by John Fischer and Dennis Fink.
- II. **J. Fischer** further discussed the proposal. **Motion** to reject the language of the current proposal by **S. Smith**. **Second** by **K. Kuettel**. After discussion **J. Fischer** stated that a new proposal will be presented. **Motion** passed unanimously. The Board indicated it would be open to another proposal.

5. Communications/Correspondence:

I. The Board circulated a sympathy card for Becky McNamara on the death of her mother.

6. Treasurer's Report: Scott Smith

- I. Motion by S. Smith to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$28,060.39 but will hold the check for Midway Sewer Service based on a possible mischarge. Second by K. Kuettel. Motion passed unanimously.
- II. S. Smith stated that John Bray received a letter from Russell Conrow stating that the Knife River Larsmont Sanitary District will not enter into voluntary arbitration. Motion by D. Korri to authorize moving forward with litigation. Second by K. Kuettel. After discussion, Motion passed unanimously.

7. Legal Issues: Fryberger, Mia Thibodeau

- I. M. Thibodeau sent a release and letter to Jared Peterson regarding his issue with the debt service fee. She had not received the release yet.
- II. M. Thibodeau stated that the PeopleService contract is up for review in July.

8. Engineer's Report: Ayres and Associates, Casey Werner

- I. C. Werner stated there is a St. Louis County project to replace 10 cross culverts on Old Highway 61 from Knife River to Stoney Point. There are several locations that may require moving the sewer main. TKDA is the consultant for the project.
- II. **C. Werner** stated that the Furlong property notice of violation has been resolved. The new well is installed and the old one is sealed.

9. **Operations Committee:**

I. The Committee will meet before the July Board meeting.

Operations Report: PeopleService, Eric Appelwick 10.

- E. Appelwick stated that grease cleaning was completed and larger impellers have been installed at the New Scenic Café to prevent future problems. E. Appelwick explained a call out from the New Scenic Café.
- II. E. Appelwick stated that the main lift stations have been equipped with new transducers that provide better efficiency.
- III. E. Appelwick explained that locates have been more frequent this year than the past, due to the Lakewalk extension.
- IV. E. Appelwick stated that he is investigating the installation of a pressure transducer in the retention tank to allow for more capacity when WLSSD automatically pumps down the tank, to avoid air locking the pumps, to extend the life of the pumps and to reduce manual operations of the system.
- V. E. Appelwick said he received further information on ordering contact cards.
- E. Appelwick stated that the odor logger is installed at Ryan Road and is logging data. VI.

11. **New Business:**

A. Braud requested that some contact information on the District website be removed.

12. **Old Business:**

- **J. Fischer** stated he will revise the language of his proposal.
- 13. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting by K. Bovee. Second by S. Smith. Motion passed unanimously at 9:04 A.M.

Minutes Approved by:

Latherine A Knettel 7/16/2013

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be held at 7:00 am at French River Lutheran Church on July 16th.

Minutes taken by: Zach Meyers DNSSD Mtg # 161, 061813, Minutes