

LELAND TOWNSHIP SEWER COMMISSION
Wednesday, February 7, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.
Leland Township Office
489 W. Main Street, Lake Leelanau, MI 49653
MINUTES

PRESENT: Treasurer Shirley Garthe, Frank Migda

ABSENT: Jim Redmond

GUESTS: Steve Patmore, Mitch Gawrysiak

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

There are 2 funds: Operations and Improvement

Operating

Patmore explained that the operations would be done in-house with the hiring of Mitch Gawrysiak rather than contracting IAI. IAI's contract offer this year was significantly higher than previously. It is anticipated that there will be a savings in hiring Gawrysiak and doing the operations in-house. Various expenses that will increase next year were cited. Patmore and Gawrysiak use their own personal phones and get a phone allowance.

Using radio may save money over land line phones for emergencies and call-outs. Training expenses have gone up. MISS DIG costs have gone up. Sewer improvement needs as cited below are large expenses.

There may be a need for a nominal rate increase.

Sewer Improvement

Maintenance expenses come from this fund. A truck needs to be purchased. The #1 need is the influent manhole which is deteriorating. Odor control is still a big expense. Large expenses for last year were in lift station maintenance. Hopefully, the work that was done will reduce call-outs and overtime.

Patmore would like each lift station listed as a separate line item.

The total money spent will be comparable to last year. We will be paying less for labor, spending more for maintenance and improvement.

It is planned to purchase asset management software.

Job descriptions will be completed for Board approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Kacin

Township Clerk, Lisa Brookfield

Date