

LELAND TOWNSHIP SEWER COMMISSION
Friday, August 4, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.
Leland Township Office
224 W. Main Street, Lake Leelanau, MI 49653
MINUTES

PRESENT: Treasurer Shirley Garthe, Chair Jim Redmond, Steve Patmore, Frank Migda

ABSENT: Richard Roberts

GUESTS: Bill Lievens, Bob Polanic (IAI), Mitch Gawrysiak (IAI)

CALL TO ORDER – Mr. Redmond called the workshop meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – No changes to the agenda.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST – None

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

July 7, 2023 – will approve at next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Lievens – The odor of the lift station by his residence is still bad. He has talked to IAI employees and Steve Patmore. He has researched a type of equipment to control odor and handed out a document describing the equipment. This system would cost \$6,00-\$10,000 per lift station. Jim Redmond has heard of this system. He is asking the Commission to look at other technologies. He would consider serving on the Commission.

John Merica – He lives on Popp Rd. right across from a lift station. There is an ongoing odor.

REPORTS

1. Treasurer (report on file in Leland Township Office)
Ms. Garthe reported on income and expenses in the Sewer Operating and Improvement funds. Reports were distributed to the Commission members. The present balance is \$33,416 and it was a partial sewer billing month. There were no unusual bills.
2. Sewer Administrator, Monthly report and update on current projects.
The report was distributed to the Commission members. There is no flow data for the last month. The lagoon freeboard is low for this time of year – 3.7 feet. There was a force main leak last month which has been repaired. There was an installation of a meter. Thompson Street and the Narrows have the least amount of odor. The calcium nitrate helps with the odor. Pumping more often would make a small difference. Steve Patmore is proceeding with the biological treatment. They will be treating the Narrows and Terrace Lane. They have been busy with permits this month. There was a review of the Distillery. The Distillery has 2.6 REU's. There is no production waste there, just domestic.
3. Operation Reports – Infrastructure Alternatives Inc.
The report was distributed to Commission members. Call-outs for the month and maintenance were discussed. There were fewer call-outs for July but a lot of repairs.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Update on on-going projects - discussed above in reports.

COMMISSIONER COMMENT

Frank Migda – He would like to see data over time. He asked about the Falling Waters Lodge and the system was discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Lievense – He asked if the prescription for odor for Terrace Lane is different than other areas. The answer is yes because all areas are different.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, September 1, 2023. The meeting will be at the new office.

ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION: Frank Migna moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m.; supported by Ms. Garthe. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Kacin, Recording Secretary

Date Approved: _____

Jim Redmond, Chair

Lisa Brookfield, Township Clerk