

Town of Liberty Grove
Minutes of the Sanitary District #1 Committee meeting on April 7, 2021

(This meeting was correctly posted)

AGENDA:

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Approve agenda
4. Adjourn to closed session per Wi. Stat. §19.85 (1)(g): Confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved—wastewater treatment plant
5. Reconvene into open session
6. Announcements from closed session
7. Approve 3-17-21 minutes
8. Public Input
9. Payment of bills
10. Consider sewer rate increase
11. Correspondence
12. Future meetings
13. Adjourn

Town Chairman John Lowry called the meeting to order at 6:29pm. Committee members Nancy Goss, Cathy Ward, Lou Covotsos, and Janet Johnson were present along with Administrator Walter Kalms and Clerk/Treasurer Anastasia Bell via teleconference (Zoom).

Lowry moved, Goss second to approve the agenda as posted. Passed 5-0.

Lowry moved, Ward second to adjourn to closed session per Wi. Stat. §19.85 (1)(g) Confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved—wastewater treatment plant. Roll call vote with Johnson, Lowry, Ward, Goss, and Covotsos voting aye, no nays. Passed 5-0.

Lowry moved, Goss second to reconvene into open session. Passed 5-0.

Announcements from Closed Session – None.

Lowry moved, Ward second to approve the 3-17-2021 minutes as presented. Passed 5-0.

Public Input – None.

Payment of Bills – **Johnson moved, Ward second** to approve the payment of bills as presented totaling \$4,885.91. Passed 5-0.

Sewer Rate Increase – Bell provided various increase options based on discussions with the auditors who have recommended a sewer rate increase since the District will be charged an increased rate by the Village for services. The auditors will provide more information, but they noted the Town may want to consider splitting the Utility funds to ensure that the water and sewer income are both adequately covering the associated expenses. The District's customer rates are currently 13.54% higher than the expense paid to the Village various rates. **Johnson**

moved, Covotsos second to increase the Utility District rates to be 15% more than the new rates charged to the District by the Village. Passed 5-0.

Correspondence – None

A public hearing for the proposed sewer rate increase will be held on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 6:30pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Lowry moved, Ward second to adjourn at 7:19pm. Passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Anastasia Bell, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at the 6/16/2021 Sanitary District #1 Committee meeting.