

Silver Lake Township Municipal Authority
March 23, 2021

Board Members present: Paul Adams, Carl Speicher, Dale Tifft, and Julie Perlick. Also present: Michael Hester, Bernadette Kanna, Chris Short, Tom Ankney

Paul Adams called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

No changes to the agenda.

No business from the floor.

The Board discussed with Tom Ankney and Chris Short the process by which the Board can be kept aware of repair calls coming in and when they are completed. Part of the current issue was that calls were not making it to the answering service due to a phone company issue. That has been corrected. Also customers at times call Mr. Ankney or Mr. Short directly and the Board would not be aware of those calls. Mr. Short also did not always have email access to inform the Board of completed repairs. Agreed that Mr. Ankney will be the one to keep the Board updated, via email, of the status of all repairs. Mr. Ankney will also reach out to Mr. Short to obtain the status of any on-going repairs if he has not heard from him within a reasonable time. If for some reason Chris Short cannot contact Tom Ankney about completed repairs, he will let Bernadette Kanna know and she will update the Board.

Carl Speicher made a motion approve the minutes from the last meeting as submitted. Dale Tifft seconded. Approved.

Julie Perlick gave the Report of the Secretary- The report of the Operator and report of the Coordinator were received. Chapter 94 Municipal Wasteload Management Reports for 2020 for both lagoon were received. Also received information on the Sewage Facilities Program Grant. The Board discussed looking into having Senator Yaw's office assist with the grant.

Carl Speicher gave the Report of the Treasurer – Expenses are down compared to last year and more money was brought in this year compared to last year. A grant opportunity was found that may be useful for the Board to pursue.

Julie Perlick made a motion to pay the bills. Carl Speicher seconded. Approved.

Report of the Coordinator – Received in writing and reviewed.

Bernadette Kanna gave the Report of Customer Service – A property with a lien on it is being sold, so we can expect payment. There was an old lien that was paid off and that one was released. Also discussed was a customer who was planning to disconnect, but paid the bill from 2020. The newsletter should be in by mid-April to go out with the bills. The Board reviewed that interest rates and extra quarterly fees were deferred last year in order to not place any extra hardship on customers who may have had a financial impact from covid restrictions. After the Board assessed payment trends from last year, it was agreed that those fees could be reinstated without impacting the vast majority of customers.

The Operator report was submitted electronically and reviewed. Mr. Hester said that he will have a prioritized list of jobs for the lagoons by the next meeting. The Laurel Lake lagoon was over the winter limit and the Quaker Lake lagoon has filled and will be ready for testing this week.

Unfinished business- Information on the potential purchase of the Laurel Lake Association property will be needed to present to them by May. Reviewed that they will have the same offer as the Quaker Lake lagoon.

No new business was presented.

Julie Perlick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carl Speicher seconded, approved. Paul Adams adjourned the meeting.