

GERRISH LYON UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
July 26, 2021
Held at Gerrish Township Hall
2997 E Higgins Lake Drive
Roscommon, MI 48653

This meeting was held in person with members from Fleis & Vandenbrink, Baker Tilly and Dickerson Wright on Zoom call.

Regular meeting called to order at 9:00 am. Present: Dave Udy, Leasa Tulgetske, Eric Carlson, Bill Lamb, Dave Hall, Jerry McKenna and Tom Metcalf. Also, present: 15 citizen(s)

Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA Motion by Tom Metcalf, supported by Jerry McKenna: CARRIED that the agenda be approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF July 19, 2021, MEETING MINUTES Motion by Tom Metcalf, supported by Eric Carlson: CARRIED that the July 19, 2021, meeting minutes be approved as presented.

Old Business:

1. Motion by Jerry McKenna, supported by Tom Metcalf: Carried
Board approve item 5 as the new GLUA logo as presented.
2. Motion by Eric Carlson, supported by Dave Udy: Carried
Board approve revision 3 as the new GLUA Mission Statement as presented.

Discussed:

Corporate Business Grant Funding
Draft letter to purchase WWTF property
FAQ list
Web page
GLUA By-Laws Draft
GLUA printing code
Higgins Lake Foundation Reimbursement Grant
Assistant Secretary

New Business:

Fleis & Vandenbrink Power Point Presentation-STEP System Tank & Components

1. Motion by Dave Udy, supported by Tom Metcalf: Carried
Board set the August meeting schedule for Monday, August 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2021.

Public Comments/Questions:

Citizens voiced concerns on the following: GIS mapping being available to citizens, costs residents must pay for electrical hook up. Citizens asked various questions of the GLUA regarding the HLUA, also clarification of the life expectancy of the pumps.

Q: Life expectancy of STEP System and warranty of repairs and maintenance. A: STEP System 75-100 years and 10-15 years for pumps.

Q: What if residents wont given an easement for the sewer components? A: Components cannot be installed without an easement from the resident. Residents will still be charged the special assessment fee even if they are not hooked up at the beginning and the hook up fee will be more if a resident waits.

Q: What is the resident responsible for? Electric cost from house to pump and pipe from house to pump.

Q: Who pays for the old tank removal? A: Cost to removal of the old tank is part of the total project costs.

Q: What happens to the resident's current drain field. A: Drain fields will be left.

Q: Will the sewer system be installed in all subdivisions or just lakefront homes? A: There is a map in the Gerrish Township Hall and website to see if your home is in the proposed sewer district. Contact Gerrish Twp. Treasurer Leasa Tulgetske or Lyon Twp. Clerk Doug Schnell to see if you are in the proposed sewer district.

Q: What is the timetable? A: 2021, Public Participation, funding, begin special assessment (SAD) district proceedings. 2022, Complete SAD, engineer design. 2023-2024, Project construction. 2025-2026- Connect customers to system.

Q: What are the costs to the individual homeowners? A: We don't know the individual costs at this time. Total project is \$130 million.

Q: What if I have a failing tank. Do I replace the old one now or limp it along? A: The CMDHD would have to answer that question, but the CMDHD has the information on the new tanks that are compatible with the sewer system.

Q: Why not use a system that removes the solids? A: Too costly.

Q: How do you determine when the solids need to be removed? A: Monitor the depth of the solids in tank. Depending on the usage tanks will be pumped every 7-10 years.

Q: What if it is currently physically impossible to remove the tank due to a structure being on the tank? A: The tank will be pumped and filled with sand or slurry and abandoned at no cost to the homeowner.

Q: Where do the solids go? A: The solids stay in the tank until pumped and then they are taken to the WWTF.

Q: Are the pumps single use or can they be rebuilt? A: The pumps can be rebuilt.

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Announcements: None

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PROPOSED

Motion by Jerry McKenna, supported by Tom Metcalf: CARRIED
that the meeting adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 am.

Leasa Tulgetske, Secretary

Approved