

Superior Township Water Board Meeting Minutes February 18, 2025

The Meeting was called to order at 4:45 by Kathy Loup

Roll call of Board Members: Kathy Loup, Jim Sutton and Jim Busha. Absent: Bill Munsell

Others in Attendance: Larry Noyce, Water/Sewer Department. Absent: Frank Toms, water/sewer superintendent.

Public Comment: None

Approval of the Agenda: There was no agenda for tonight's meeting.

Approval of the minutes from 1/21/25. Motion by Jim Busha, seconded by Jim Sutton to approve the minutes from the 1/21/25 meeting. Motion was approved.

New Business: The township is on a "let run" due to the frost level going down over 50 inches. We will ask the office staff to see that it's put on social media sites.

Frank is in Frankenmuth at a water/sewer training.

Larry reported that the lagoon level is being lowered. There are still problems with lift station 5. They removed a brick from the impeller in pump #2 in lift station # 1. Crane Engineering checked lift stations 5 & 6 – their report will be coming. The pumps for lift station 7 will be installed this week. Frank will have 2 zoom meetings yet this month and one in Traverse City in March.

Bay Mills Tribe will go over our sewer line maps and possibly digitize them.

The waterboard would like a monthly report of account balances for water and for sewer each meeting.

Old Business: It was reported that the meeting between Mike Fox, Supervisor, Frank toms, W/S superintendent and the Tribe was a productive one. They will have meetings every 2 weeks. It was suggested that a waterboard member should be included in these meetings in order to bring information back to the waterboard.

The Tribe has offered 3 generators for the water department to use for back-up power. The Tribe is concerned about our water/sewer rates and the ability to cover the cost of possible present and future problems with the system. The treasurer could do a study of other entities to see what they charge and how our rates compare and provide it to the water board. The waterboard would then be able to make recommendations to the township board. The Tribe's Engineering consultant could possibly provide us with an audit of rates.

There should be a definite list of services the township water and sewer department provide to residents and the hourly cost for each. These rates should be listed on the township website.

The Tribe would like to hook on their new building addition in the fall of 2025. Construction of lift station improvements and upgrades will be time limited.

A motion was made by Jim Sutton to recommend to the township board to get quotes for rates ^{Corrected 3/18/25} ~~through the Tribe's~~ ^W ~~Engineering consultant~~. Seconded by Jim Busha. Motion was approved.

Kathy made a motion to adjourn at 5:50. Seconded by Jim Sutton. Motion was approved.