

ALEXANDRIA LAKE AREA SANITARY DISTRICT

Minutes
May 10, 2023

The regular meeting of the Alexandria Lake Area Sanitary District Board was held May 10, 2023, at the ALASD Maintenance Building located at 2201 Nevada Street, Alexandria, Minnesota.

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Chairman Thalman at 5:30 P.M.

Members and staff present: Directors: Dahlheimer, Eldevik, Hayes, Lerohl, Nettetstad, Sternquist, Thalman & Waldorf. Absent: Diedrich, Johnson, Schmitz & Tvrdik.

Staff: Executive Director Gilbertson, Plant Supt. Drewes, Collection Supt. Timm, HR Bergs, Engineer Bye-Widseth.

Guest(s): Anthony Zimny-Zimny Insurance & Dendy Lofton- Stantec Public: Steve & Judy Soderholm

A motion was made by Nettetstad to approve the consent agenda items including:

- Treatment Facility Report
- Collection System Report
- Engineers Report
- List of Bills
- Report on Revenues/Expenditures
- Report of Investments
- Revenue-ALP Billing
- Monthly Dashboard Summary

Seconded by Dahlheimer. Motion carried.

Presentations and Reports:

- Chairman Thalman called upon Plant Superintendent Troy Drewes. Drewes's report included: Completed hauling biosolids, investigated main lift station pump plugging issues with vendor, quotes for aging chiller, annual lake sampling began, spring maintenance on roof exhaust fans, repairing auto drain on air compressor, and finally general maintenance.
- Chairman Thalman called upon Collection System Superintendent Brad Timm. Timm's report included: quarterly jetting of trouble spots, E-one residential stations CR-3, CR-5 and CR-6 were upgraded, repaired leaking discharge plumbing at LGS-17 while ALASD staff replaced plumbing with stainless steel, and moved the control panel, started root cutting & jetting in the city of Alex, and finally residential grinders spring inspections were started.
- Chairman Thalman called upon Engineer Bryan Bye. Bye's report included updates on the 18th Avenue Project, LS 73/Forcemain project, Roundabout(s)- I-94/TH 27 and Co. Rd 82/45 Karl Drive, Grinder Station LGS57/Forcemain Improvements, ALASR study areas, LS1 Forcemain Improvements, and GIS upgrades.

Public Presentations:

Anthony Zimny- Zimny Insurance-presented to Board: LMCIT Insurance renewal packet.

Dendy Lofton, PhD- Stantec- presented to Board: Winona Chain of Lakes Adaptive Management Progress Update- Executive Summary, outlining management efforts to-date, required future management goals, and progress efforts to improve water quality on the Winona Chain of Lakes.

Executive Director Gilbertson presented to Board: 2022 Financial and Operation Annual Report.

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Action Items:

A motion was made by Hayes to approve Accepting the 2022 Financial and Operation Report. Seconded by Nettetstad. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Nettetstad to approve PRIMEX Service Flex Plan- Level V (ongoing SCADA/Operation Interface support) for \$25,000. Seconded by Waldorf. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sternquist to deny the variance request for Steve and Judy Soderholm. Seconded by Lerohl. Opposed: Dahlheimer. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Executive Director Gilbertson updated the Board on the Homeland Security and Emergency Management (FEMA) final award to ALASD in the amount of \$207,589.04 for damages and mitigation efforts regarding the May 30, 2022, tornado.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Director Gilbertson presented the Board with financing options for future sewer projects and capital projects, including a memo from Gail Robertson, Municipal Advisor from Government Capital Securities.

Executive Director Gilbertson, Plant Superintendent Drewes and HR Bergs informed the Board of two Public Education Efforts attended by staff: Earth Day on April 22, 2023, and the 30th Annual Kids Water Festival on May 3, 2023.

Executive Director Gilbertson informed the Board that he will be presenting at the 96th Annual CSWEA meeting in St. Paul, MN, being held May 29-31st.


Special Project Updates/Regulation Updates:

Executive Director Gilbertson informed the Board about the ALASD adding rip rap to the Carp Barrier to ensure the rock barrier is the correct elevation during peak high-water conditions.

Chairman Thalman adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.



Roger Thalman, Chairman



Rebecca Sternquist, Secretary