

ALEXANDRIA LAKE AREA SANITARY DISTRICT

Minutes November 8, 2023

The regular meeting of the Alexandria Lake Area Sanitary District Board was held November 8, 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: Bowen, Dahlheimer, Diedrich, Eldevik, Hayes, Lerohl, Nettetstad, Schmitz, Sternquist, Thalman, Tvrdik & Waldorf. Absent:

Staff: Executive Director Gilbertson, Plant Supt. Drewes, Collection Supt. Timm, HR Bergs, Office Manager Kluver, Engineer Bye. Guest(s): None

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: 2024 MPCA Lab Renewal Application and Chronic Whole Effluent Toxicity test completed, collected and sent in 24 site soil samples needed before biosolids application, spreader maintenance, biosolids application underway, winterized boat and prepared equipment for winter, install doors on digesters, cleaned primary scum pits, annual hoist safety inspections completed, tested different centrifuge polymer for performance and finally general maintenance, cleaning, snow removal and yard cleanup.
- Chairman Thalman called upon Collection System Superintendent Brad Timm. Timm's report included: new generators delivered and set at LS3, LS73, LS86, & LS108, mitigation of concrete grout, debris removal, and final jetting from the 12" mainline plug, LS114 all mechanical components installed, fall E-One residential inspections, mini lift stations inspections and 5 year jetting were completed, new control panels installed at LS3, LS76, and HGS8, replaced E-One pump at LGR24, installed a new plow on Unit 16, winterizing wet wells and E-One forcemain discharges, started inspections of clean out manholes, junction manholes and river crossings, televising, GPS manholes, locates, and service connection inspections ongoing, and provided manhole castings and mastic for repairs in Alexandria Township.
- 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, Future Capital Improvement Plan Projects, GIS updates, ALASR sanitary sewer extension areas, and planning for LS1/Forcemain project.

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Executive Director Gilbertson presented the second reading and consideration of the ALASD Ordinance #3 Establishing User Rates for 2024 to the Board.

Executive Director Gilbertson presented the Board with project costs to be funded with G.O. Facilities Bonds, Series 2023. Projects include: ALASR Sewer extensions, design and bid services for WRF (Brown and Caldwell), Lift Station #1, Forcemain and EQ Improvements, Biosolids Pad, and Chiller for Aerobic Digesters.

Action Items:

A motion was made by Lerohl to approve the ALASD Ordinance #3 Establishing 2024 User Rates and Fees as presented. Seconded by Diedrich. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dahlheimer to approve the 3rd Quarter Financial Report, FY2023, as prepared by ABDO Financial Solutions. Seconded by Waldorf. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hayes to approve Resolution 23-17: Authorizing WRF Main Lift Station improvements as outlined. Seconded by Nettetstad. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Tvrdik to approve Resolution 23-18: Authorizing purchase of a new truck mount jetter from Flexible Pipe Tool Company in the amount of \$275,448.25. Seconded by Nettetstad. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lerohl to approve Confirmation of request for Engineering Services, contract modification for LS#1, Forcemain, EQ Basin, Main Lift Station improvement project. Seconded by Nettetstad. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hayes to approve Pay Request #3 to Land Pride Construction in the amount of \$42,838.63 for the 2023 Grinder Station LGS57 Improvements. Seconded by Diedrich. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Nettetstad to approve Pay Request #5 to Northdale Construction in the amount of \$39,069.62 for Lift Station #73 Forcemain Replacement. Seconded by Dahlheimer. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Eldevik to approve Pay Request #3 to Northdale Construction in the amount of \$16,153.14 for the I94/TH27 Forcemain Realignment. Seconded by Schmitz. Motion carried.

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Executive Director Gilbertson updated the Board on S&P rating process and status of the G.O. Facilities Bonds, Series 2023.

There will be an ALASR Improvement Public Hearing on December 5, 2023, at 7:00 PM at ALASD.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Director Gilbertson presented the Board with a Construction Manager at Risk review of potential benefits for future Water Reclamation Facility Improvement Project.

Union Negotiations meeting was scheduled for November 22, 2023, at 10:00 am.

Special Project Updates/Regulation Updates:

PFAS categorization status from sampling events update was given by Executive Director Gilbertson.

Executive Director Gilbertson updated the Board on the fall MESERB Conference including comments on the MPCA's second RFC for Water Quality Standards: Class 1 Uses.

Chairman Thalman adjourned the meeting at 7:08 P.M.



Roger Thalman, Chairman



Rebecca Sternquist, Secretary