

Grand Isle Consolidated Water District

Meeting Minutes for

Wednesday, March, 20, 2024

Held Remotely via Zoom conference call and in person at the Fish Hatchery

March Regular Meeting:

Janine called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM. All Board Members present and accounted for, except Ken Mirvis who is excused. SOS Operators Warren Steadman and Joe Danis were also present.

- Additions to the Agenda
- Review of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - February Monthly Minutes
 - Kevin made a motion to approve. Janine seconded. Tim abstained. All were in favor.
- Questions from Members
- Operator's Report
 - Warren and Joe spoke on the report.
 - Just finished reading Q1 meters. There were roughly 20 meter repairs that needed to be made.
 - Janine referenced the report regarding the low pressure alarm noted for Lover's Lane. Joe gave an update regarding the situation.
 - Joe and Warren also spoke on the GAC Furnace, having failed again, and our options moving forward.
- Engineer's Report
 - A&E was not in attendance but Janine spoke on their behalf. below is from an email sent by A&E on 3/22/24:
 - Realized I neglected to provide an update for this month's Wednesday meeting - I apologize:
 - Had the 30% Review Meeting for the water project last week. Janine, Michael, Court, Warren, and Joe attended. Technical feedback on the plans were provided, so we're revising for 60% and are starting on producing easement drawings. Big next step on the project are easements. Materials for the meeting are in our sharefile at 30% Design Review Meeting in the event anyone wants to peruse and at least one hard-copy set of 30% plans at the plant.
 - Recall that the State is requiring an Archeological Resource Assessment and Wetland delineations as part of environmental review for the project. I was finally able to get quotes from subconsultants for this, so have an amendment

ready. We'll get this to the State for review and then have it ready to be signed next month so we can get this stuff done this summer. We'll use Fitzgerald Environmental for the wetlands delineation and Crown Consulting Archeology for the ARA. Cost for these is about \$13,000 combined and was included in the bond amount so not a big budgetary crunch.

- One hanging item from the transition over from GME was the hydraulic model they started and that the State wants completed before they apply full subsidy to the preliminary work for the project. Alan Huizenga was kind enough to provide us with these files, so I am also preparing an amendment to get this finished up. That will also go to the State for review. This work is not required, but will be beneficial in terms of subsidy and some of the larger/longer-term water-related work in Grand Isle. No real action on this needed in the immediate future just a loose end that will be worth tying up.
- Treasurer's Report
 - Michael spoke on the budget
 - Spoke on Line 501, General Equipment, which he explained in detail relating to the purchase of turbidimeters.
 - On track with our budget.
 - Joe Danis made a comment regarding the budget, specifically regarding a unit that we have that will need to be replaced in the future. Joe asked that we stay updated on process control equipment, to keep replacing old equipment with new.
 - Janine asked how things are going with the new bookkeeper and Michael said yes.
- Old Business
 - Update on Active Projects
 - Piping Replacement Project
 - Janine announced that the Bond Vote had passed during the town vote. The numbers were 294 Yes and 104 No.
 - Lead Survey Project
 - Nothing new to report
 - Tech update
 - General Update: Tim let the board know that the grant is currently closed and we're waiting to see if it'll reopen to continue our efforts. It was also pointed out that during the December annual meeting, it was voted to create a tech fund of \$25,100 from the tower connection fee.
 - Alpine Media: Tim mentioned that he's in talks with Bill to schedule an in person meeting to discuss next steps.
- New Business:

Tim made a motion to adjourn at 7:11, Janine seconded. All were in favor

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Respectfully Submitted: Tim Olver _____ Date:
_____ GICWD Clerk



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