August 16, 2017

- 1. The regular meeting of the Dorr/Leighton Sewer Authority was called to order by Deer at 4:30 p.m. on August 16, 2017.
- 2. Members present: Deer, Miling, Nieuwenhuis, Sewers, Troost, Martin, Overmyer
- 3. Members absent: VanderWoude
- 4. Also present: Joe Baxter, Brandon Mieras, Fern O'Beshaw
- 5. Motion by Miling, support by Deer to approve the minutes of May 17 as presented. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
- 6. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Miling to approve the meeting agenda as presented. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
- 7. Baxter reported that he is doing some televising and cleaning lines and has identified several problems that need addressing. (one at 1120 144<sup>th</sup> and another on 12<sup>th</sup> street south of 144<sup>th</sup>). He is also working with Mieras on a letter to Green Valley to address the ammonia situation there. When that letter is finished and approved by Attorney Roger Swets, it will be given to Dorr Township so they can send it to Green Valley. The letter will also address the issue of their lines not being accepted by our system.
- 8. A second letter has been sent out regarding illegal sump pumps. We have received some back with various responses. Baxter will begin the process of responding to the letters and will seek advice from the attorney on how to proceed with those who did not respond.
- 9. There was some discussion regarding repair or replacement of the sludge tank. Cost to repair is \$80,000.00 which is not considered to be the best option. The cost for a 300,000 gallon tank replacement is \$440,000.00.
- 10. Baxter reported that some of the televising and cleaning will be paid from the SAW grant.
- 11. Miling reported that the plant air conditioner will probably wait until next year. Troost reported that we are getting some new hook ups. There was discussion regarding making sure the proper trunkage fees are being paid for properties in district #5. For future hookups in District #5, Troost will contact Jim Martin for correct fees (including interest). Martin will contact the Dollar General property to try to correct the amount that was billed in error.
- 12. O'Beshaw presented a draft letter for metered users. The consensus was that it is not quite ready to be sent out. Committee of Baxter, Overmyer and Mieras to fine tune the letter and have ready for the November meeting.
- 13. It was reported that the plant is at about 77% capacity and planning for expansion should begin at about 80%. Committee of Baxter, Mieras, Deer, and Martin will begin to explore available grants for plant expansion and also look at the possible need to expand the district.
- 14. O'Beshaw gave the financial report.
- Motion by Overmyer, support by Troost to open an account with West Michigan Community Bank. Roll call vote. Yeas: Overmyer, Troost, Deer, Miling, Sewers, Martin, Nieuwenhuis Nays: None Motion carried.
- 16. There was no public comment.
- 17. The update on the contract with B&B is nearly complete.
- 18. A proposal for utility management services was presented by Corky Overmyer. Motion by Deer, support by Sewers to accept the proposal contingent upon attorney review and recommendations

regarding possible conflict of interest. Roll call vote. Yeas: Deer, Sewers, Nieuwenhuis, Martin, Miling, Troost Nays: None Abstain: Overmyer Motion carried.

- 19. Committee to work with Overmyer is Troost, Baxter, Deer, Sewers.
- 20. Motion by Overmyer, support by Sewers to change the annual meeting date from November 8 to November 16 at 2 p.m. at the Leighton Twp. Office. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
- 21. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Troost to adjourn. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
- 22. Meeting adjourned.

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Steve Deer

Jeff Miling\_\_\_\_\_