

**Minutes of the  
Green Sanitary Sewer and Water District Commission  
6:00 p.m., Monday, January 26, 2009  
GLSSWD Wastewater Treatment Plant**

Present: Troy Block, John Bergman, Dennis Peterson, Kevin Dittbenner

Absent: Dennis Baker, Brett Aamot, Clayton Anderson, Marv Hey

Others present: Gary Danielson, Ron Hagemeyer

**Election of Officers**

Quorum not present.

The meeting commenced at 6 p.m. on Monday, January 26, 2009 at the GLSSWD Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**Approval of November 2008 Bills and Minutes**

Quorum not present.

**Approval of Lake Florida 2009 Rate & Reserve Recommendations**

The Lake Florida Association Board has approved a rate of \$2.89 per KWH for 714 gallons of usage and a \$1.00 increase per EDU for 2009 to create a reserve fund. Commission approval will be acted upon next month.

**Water/Wastewater Flows**

The December water loss for Spicer is -2.3%, Green Lake is -10.3%, and New London is 16.8%. The monthly average for the three entities is 1.4% with a yearly average of 19.9%.

The average for the last 4 months of 2008 for Spicer is 15% and Green Lake is 6.3%. When compared to the calculations from the same day readings chart, Spicer is 14.5% and Green Lake is 6.0%. There doesn't seem to be a difference if the meters are read on the same date. The numbers all come out in the end. The variation in monthly losses appears more likely to be a data collection issue.

The Green Lake, New London, and Spicer Wastewater and Water sold charts for 2008 were distributed showing shortfalls on both for revenue.

**Water Plant Filters Update**

The filters are being acid treated, heavily chlorinated, put back in service, and then back washed. Data is being collected to determine the results of the acid treating and chlorinating. The filter IMS plates appear to be plugged with sand. The process of fixing the filters is not easy or cheap. The old media has to be removed and new media placed in the filter cells. It was noted that the water plant in Alexandria has experienced the same problems. The testing will be finished at the end of the week and all the findings will be forwarded to Bolton and Menk.

**Hydrant Repair Update**

The contractor from South Dakota that will be repairing the 177 hydrants for the District called last Friday that he is waiting for the parts to arrive. The hydrants in New London, Spicer, and at the Catholic Church will be done at the same time.

There was discussion regarding flow meters for the Tri-Lakes not yet calibrated. The 1<sup>st</sup> of March will be first billing date for the usage of February. Discussion took place and it was suggested by Dennis Peterson and agreed by all present that it would be reasonable to start

billing the residents of the Tri-Lakes system at a rate of \$2.75/KWH of usage. A possible mid-year adjustment will be determined at that time.

**Reissued NPDES Operating Permit**

An official final draft of the permit was received from the MPCA which is good for five years beginning January 2009. There is no phosphorus limitation, however, mercury analysis is being required in February and August each year. A mercury minimization plan needs to be done in the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the permit and also an upgrade to the phosphorus management plan.

**Minutes**

Quorum not present.

**Bills**

Quorum not present.

**Other**

Diamond Lake is in the process of the 1<sup>st</sup> Tier property owners voting in favor or against a sewer project.

The City of Kandiyohi is waiting to hear regarding grant dollars.

There was common consent to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 23, 2009 at 6 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Slinden  
Recording Secretary