

TOWN OF SILVER CREEK
CASTLE DANGER SUBORDINATE SERVICE DISTRICT MEETING
December 9, 2014

The Castle Danger Subordinate Service District meeting of The Town Board was held on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at the Town Hall. Present were Supervisors – Mike Hoops, Greg Hull; (Larry Lampart was absent); Clerk – Frederick R. Whitney; Deputy Clerk – Kristina Pirsig; Constituent – Leroger Lind.

Hoops called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

CONSTITUENTS CONCERNS:

Hoops updated LeRoger Lind regarding the culvert work on East Castle Danger Road, (it will occur this coming spring), the non-financial impact to the Township regarding the Lake Connections broadband project and what a back-flo protector would be.

WASTEWATER OPERATOR'S QUARTERLY REPORT: December 9, 2014

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September – Received 0.6954 million gallons influent

October – Received 0.6141 million gallons influent

November – Received 0.3107 million gallons influent

The district received 21,900 gallons of trucked-in waste in during this quarter.

Irrigation –

September – Discharged 3.779 million gallons

October – Discharged 0.678 million gallons (5 days)

Total irrigation for the season was 16.776 million gallons of water.

I pushed the system hard to drop water levels this fall. We lost some days in September and early October where we could have irrigated additional water. We are in, what I would deem to be, "OK" shape heading into next year. With a winter lacking snowfall and a dry spring with an early startup, we will be in good shape.

The monitoring system on the irrigation controls worked even better than anticipated. I was able to fly into Anchorage from the bush on my hunting trip, check into a motel and diagnose a problem with the system before it sent an alarm.

Gooseberry Falls State Park – We will be discussing what can be done now that we have frost (maybe too much) and working to resolve issues.

Grease Lift Station #1 – Problems continue. Additional sampling has shown consistently high levels of oil and grease in the discharge. The Clerk and I are in the process of sending another letter to the business. Discuss should occur at tonight's meeting as to actions.

All pumps in lift stations are operational. The new pump on order was to ship from the distributor today with installation later this week, early next week.

Annual inspections were performed. Various trouble spots were identified and repaired. Insulation is in place on grinder stations. We have purchased 5 new grinder pumps to replace failed pumps.

All monthly reports and sampling required by MPCA sent in a timely fashion.

I am still working to resolve issues with County Coordinator, County Attorney and our legal counsel to move forward with the work that is required to complete enforcement action for zoning violations within the district. This is/has been an extremely slow process. Many properties within the District are being sold.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Hoops, Operator

Hull made a motion, second by Hoops, to accept the Operator's Report as amended. Motion carried.

FINANCIALS & DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS:

There were no accounts past due greater than 30 days.

FINANCIAL REPORT – 11-30-14:

Interim Financial Report by Account Number (YTD)

As of 11/30/2014

600 - Enterprise Fund

	<u>Actual</u>
Receipts:	
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	\$2,422.09
Special Assessments	\$14,704.29
Interest Earnings	\$160.73
Residential	\$18,574.35
Commercial	\$50,280.20
Connect/reconnect fees	<u>\$203.34</u>
Total Revenues	\$89,064.40
Disbursements:	
Sewer	<u>\$81,969.00</u>
Total Disbursements	\$81,969.00
Other Financing Uses:	
Transfers to other Funds	\$1,000.00
Beginning of Year Cash Balance	\$71.03
Outstanding 600 Fund Balance	\$6,166.43

602 - Enterprise - replacement

	<u>Actual</u>
Receipts:	
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	\$0.00
Interest Earnings	\$125.01
Future Replacement	<u>\$23,019.99</u>
Total Revenues	\$23,145.00
Disbursements:	
Sewer	<u>\$56,133.64</u>
Total Disbursements	\$56,133.64
Beginning Cash Balance	\$39,562.74
Outstanding 602 Fund Balance	\$6,574.10

Hoops made a motion, second by Hull, to accept the Past Due and Financial Reports as presented. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

See wastewater operator's report. Hoops discussed the high levels of oil and grease at Lift Station #1 created by the Rustic Inn Café. A demand letter is being created that requires the Rustic to install a grease interceptor. Hoops, who will sign the letter, directed the Clerk to send this letter certified. The Board identified 90 days from the mailing date as the deadline for the installation.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Clerk indicated that the monies for the 5 new grinder pumps had not been transferred as yet from Fund 100 to Fund 602. The Clerk will make the transfer, as well as set up the quarterly reimbursement as future sewer fees are paid.

Both Grupe and Barnard have attended their respective wastewater education sessions. Grupe's wastewater license will be extended as a result and Barnard's education towards his new license is now underway.

CASTLE DANGER LAND USE and STEWART RIVER WASTEWATER PROJECT:

Regarding the East Castle Danger Road culvert project, the Herbert easement has been finalized and filed at the County. and the Army Corps of Engineers has finally submitted their permit. Construction will proceed in the spring.

The Clerk indicated that several home and land sales, as well as construction projects are taking place along Highway 61.

Hoops discussed the very real possibility that the SRSSD project may be included in the upcoming State bonding bill. The State is looking for shovel ready projects and is aware of our SRSSD. Hoops, who has been in discussions with Commissioner Sve, will continue to pursue funding into the spring.

Hull will work with the Ski Club regarding the restrictive covenant on the 80 acres where our potential site for the SRSSD treatment facilities will be located. The Clerk reminded the Board that only some 17 acres, or less, of the 80 acres would be utilized by SRSSD facilities. Funding sources continue to be investigated. The application process continues. The Clerk will look into any easements that may exist on the 80 acres.

Hoops indicated that the original "Press Camp Deer Camp" is located on 5 acres at the end of the Press Camp Road. This property appears to be land-locked. All land owners are being encouraged to work out the access issues.

ADJOURN:

Hull made the motion to adjourn at 7:17 p.m., second by Hoops. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick R. Whitney, Clerk