

TOWN OF SILVER CREEK
CASTLE DANGER SUBORDINATE SERVICE DISTRICT MEETING
March 2, 2016

The Castle Danger Subordinate Service District meeting of The Town Board was held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at the Town Hall. Present were Supervisors – Mike Hoops, Greg Hull, Larry Guentzel; Clerk – Kristina Pirsig; Constituent – Rich Sve, Jim Potter (Grand Superior Lodge)

Hoops called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

CONSTITUENTS CONCERNS:

Jim Potter (Grand Superior Lodge) – Presented information regarding a water leak that occurred on the property. Potter went through 4 years of data and tracked the leak 2 different ways looking at historical average. Hoops took the information from Potter and advised him that they would take a look at it and work on getting it taken care of before the Rate Hearing.

Rich Sve – Asked about his rental on West Castle Danger Road. Guentzel and Hoops explained that the curb stop was pulled from main line due to the fact that ice got underneath and kept pushing it up.

Sve had sent Hoops an email regarding Gooseberry Village. Hoops showed Hull and Guentzel the email that was sent. Hoops and Sve explained the parcels and the taxes on each parcel. Discussion was had about what the best way to deal with the issues related to Gooseberry Village and the impact on the CDSSD now that the development will apparently not be done.

Sve called Nate Eide, Lake County Land Commissioner, to discuss a few questions. What happens if the property sells for less money that is owed on taxes and special assessments? If it were to sell it at a public auction then the Land Department gets all the proceeds and then they apportion out the money. Currently the assessments have been cancelled and then once the property sells the Township can reinstate the assessments. It can't be sold for less than the appraised value. We need to find out if we reinstate the special assessments if they can be for less than what the original special assessment was for. Eide is going to look into a case in Cass County that was similar to this situation.

Hoops and Sve reported on their meeting with Representative Rob Ecklund. All of Representative David Dill's old bills have been re-jacketed by Ecklund. He is proceeding with the bonding request for Stewart River. There was discussion about possibly hiring a lobbyist for the project so that they can be the eyes and ears down in St. Paul.

Hull reported that he met with Representative Bob Dettmer from Forest Lake and he was very interested in the project. Hull also reported that he met with Representative Tony Albright from Prior Lake and he is interested in co-sponsoring the project. Hull said that Albright looked up the bill and said that it got sent to Jobs and he indicated he would follow- up and see if can't get it sent over to Capital Projects.

Hoops suggested that we should be down there for Township Day on Hill. Can probably catch the bus in Duluth.

Wastewater Operator's Report – March 2, 2016

Influent

December - Received 0.5018 million gallons of influent
January - Received 0.3350 million gallons of influent
February – Received 0.3485 million gallons of influent

The district received 0.0162 million gallons of trucked in wastewater during this same period.

Effluent

No discharge this quarter.

Influent flows are up slightly for the quarter.

John Frischmann install at 2764 Hwy 61 is complete with the exception of the survey of the easement. Since the tank and lines were moved at his request, this is his responsibility. I have directed the Clerk not to release the mechanic lien for this property until such time as this survey is done to my satisfaction. The Clerk is tracking payment of the materials and labor for this install.

On January 20, 2016 a curb stop was torn off the main line by ice buildup under the cap. Repairs were made as needed, samples collected and reports filed with MPCA.

We have been looking for an appropriate camera at a good price to televise some lines which either have a break or have footing drains connected to them.

Normal routine maintenance completed. Pumps being changed out and seems to be normal. We do have an adequate supply of pumps on hand.

All monthly reports and sampling were done and submitted to MPCA in a timely fashion.

Pending Maintenance Items

Continue straightening fencing at the ponds
Gooseberry Falls State Park (GFSP) flow issues
Televise collection lines

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Hoops, Wastewater Operator

Hull made a motion, second by Guentzel, support by Hoops, to accept the Operator's Report as presented. *Motion carried.*

FINANCIALS & DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS:

There several accounts past due greater than 30 days. Clerk has made contact with customers and arrangements have been made to clear up these balances as well as grant some leniency due to a poor postal service.

Hull made a motion, second by Guentzel, support by Hoops, to acknowledge the Sewer financials. *Motion carried.*

FINANCIAL REPORT –01-31-2016:

Town of Silver Creek

Interim Financial Report by Account Number (YTD)

As of 01/31/2016

600 - Enterprise Fund

Actual

Receipts:

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|---|-----------|-----------------|
| SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS - Property Closings | \$ | - |
| Charges for Services | \$ | - |
| MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES | | \$0.00 |
| Interest Earnings | | \$25.11 |
| Residential | | \$452.25 |
| Commercial | | \$4,817.71 |
| Connect/reconnect fees | | \$0.00 |
| Sewer charges (Repairs-Grand Superior) | | <u>\$0.00</u> |
| Total Revenues | \$ | 5,295.07 |

Disbursements:

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|----------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Sewer | | \$4,966.33 |
| Transfers to other Funds | | \$0.00 |
| Total Disbursements | | \$4,966.33 |

Beginning Cash Balance (\$4,011.92)

Outstanding 600 Fund Balance **(\$3,683.18)**

602 - Enterprise - replacement

Actual

Receipts:

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|------------------------|--|-------------------|
| MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES | | \$0.00 |
| Interest Earnings | | \$12.24 |
| Future Replacement | | <u>\$1,756.70</u> |
| Total Revenues | | \$1,768.94 |

Disbursements:

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|----------------------------|--|---------------|
| Sewer | | <u>\$0.00</u> |
| Total Disbursements | | \$0.00 |

Beginning Cash Balance (\$4,366.55)

Outstanding 602 Fund Balance **(\$2,597.61)**

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

CASTLE DANGER LAND USE

Eugene Shank, on behalf of potential buyer Tim Phillips, is requesting a Conditional Use Amendment Hearing. Board has set the hearing for Monday, March 21st, 2016 at 7pm at the Town Hall. Clerk will take appropriate action to notify all parties.

STEWART RIVER WASTEWATER PROJECT:

Discussed earlier in the meeting under Constituent Concerns.

Hoops is going to look into retaining a lobbyist and have more information at the Regular meeting.

Hull made a motion, second by Guentzel, support by Hoops, that in the event, in the informed opinion of the chairman, that if there is a need and opportunity to hire a lobbyist immediately that the chairman is empowered to do so. *Motion carried.*

OTHER BUSINESS:

Discussion took place about issues and decisions made at the last Budget and Levy working meeting.

ADJOURN:

Hull made the motion to adjourn at 9:04 p.m., second by Guentzel, support by Hoops. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristina Pirsig, Clerk