

TOWN OF SILVER CREEK  
CASTLE DANGER SUBORDINATE SERVICE DISTRICT MEETING  
March 7, 2017

The Castle Danger Subordinate Service District meeting of The Town Board was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2017 at the Town Hall. Present were Supervisors – Mike Hoops, Greg Hull, Larry Guentzel; Clerk – Wendy Langanki.

Guentzel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**CONSTITUENTS CONCERNS:**

NONE

## Wastewater Operator's Report – March 7, 2017

### Influent

December - Received 0.4125 million gallons of influent

January - Received 0.4491 million gallons of influent

February – Received 0.5624 million gallons of influent

Flows seem to be about the same as last year. Month to month they are up and down. Total is about the same. It seems to depend on if there is snow and good weather conditions.

The district received 0.0270 million gallons of trucked in wastewater during this same period.

### Effluent

No discharge during this time period.

### Current Operations

Normal routine maintenance is being completed. Grinder pumps are being ordered on an as needed basis. I believe we have had only one pump changed out during this quarter.

There have been no frozen stations this year with the investment into more cold weather protection.

Lift Station #2 had a Flyght pump installed in it last week.

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 as needed.

Mowing of trails on irrigation area.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Hoops, Wastewater Operator

Motion was made by Hull, second Guentzel, to accept the Operator's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIALS & DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS AS OF 1-31-2017:**

- Sewer Enterprise Fund: \$60,343.98 (this includes \$47,884.12 incorrect coding – transferred to Debt Service in February) and Sewer Replacement Fund \$6,099.73. Motion was made by Hull, second Hoops, to accept the financial report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- There were no accounts that are more than 30 days past due.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Gooseberry Village – a Cease and Desist letter has been sent regarding use of the model home.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- North Star Lake and Land – Matt Miller contacted the Clerk questioning whether this property was being used for rental purposes. While conducting a site visit Miller had noticed a placard with phone numbers for contacting the owner in case of emergency. Hoops stated the property is seldom used and wasn't aware of any rental use. He also stated he felt confident that adjoining property owners would notify the Township if this was the case.
- Phones – discussed obtaining smart phones for the Foreman and Wastewater Operator. This would enable separation of personal and work use. The phone, with all the information, could easily transfer to the next employees. Work phones would protect the Township as well as the employee's privacy. Motion by Hull, second Guentzel authorizing the Clerk to investigate the most economical phone plan for the Road Foreman and Wastewater Operator positions. Motion carried unanimously.
- Gooseberry Falls State Park – Supervisors discussed the existing problem at the Park, where the Visitor Center grinder station is being overwhelmed during peak use times. The situation has been investigated and it appears that there is a partial blockage in the line from the station to the curb stop. The line is not set on grade, and the hookup was built for a 1¼ line but a 1½ line was installed reducing scouring ability. The problem has been increasing in the last couple years. Crew will move forward with a site visit to come up with measurements and a plan for the repair.
- V-Plow and Broom – Motion by Hoops, second Guentzel to declare the Loader V-Plow and Broom surplus equipment, and have the Foreman list the equipment in Dirt & Gravel, Machinery Trader, and Craig's List to recoup some of the value. Equipment to be priced at 80% of the original purchase price OBO. Consignment with a dealer would also be considered. Motion carried unanimously.
- Skid Steer – John Deere is bringing a skid steer to the shop tomorrow for a test run. They have quoted a price of \$51,000. Supervisors discussed holding off on a purchase until after the plow and broom have sold.

**CASTLE DANGER LAND USE**

- Clerk presented information on a proposed building plan for the parcel located at 3110 Highway 61. Discussed Lake County Ordinance requirements for the development on the property. The design company, on behalf of the owner, will be submitting an amended plan for the property.

**STEWART RIVER WASTEWATER PROJECT:**

- Hoops reported that he had spoken with Representative Nolan. There are high hopes, with the new administration, that infrastructure projects will be funded.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:36 upon motion by Hoops, second Hull. Motion carried unanimously. The next CDSSD meeting will be held June 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wendy Langanki, Clerk