

**Lake in the Hills Sanitary District
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2022**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

The regular meeting was called to order by President Hansen at 7:00pm at the Sanitary District offices located at 515 Plum Street. Roll call was answered by President Eric Hansen, Trustee Jessica Reed and Trustee Russ Ruzanski.

Also in attendance at the Sanitary District offices were District Manager Tamara Mueller, Assistant District Manager Mike Nelson, District Attorney Ann Williams of Storino, Ramello & Durkin, Engineer Bob Doeringsfeld of Applied Technologies and District Treasurer/Clerk Karen Thompson.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Trustee Reed and seconded by Trustee Ruzanski to approve the minutes of the Rescheduled Regular Board Meeting of February 24, 2022 as presented. On a roll call vote, President Hansen and Trustees Reed and Ruzanski voted aye.

Public Comments:

President Hansen announced that due to his resignation, this will be the last meeting that he will be attending. His replacement should be approved before our April meeting.

Consent Agenda:

None.

Specific Agenda:

- A. Approval of Plat of Vacation & Plat of Easement, 700 Oak Street, Lake in the Hills, Illinois, future site of Arden Rose Home Care.

Motion was made by Trustee Reed, seconded by Trustee Ruzanski. There was no additional discussion. The motion passed after a roll call vote with President Hansen, Trustee Reed and Trustee Ruzanski voting aye to approve the Plat of Vacation & Plat of Easement, 700 Oak Street, Lake in the Hills, Illinois, future site of Arden Rose Home Care (Item A).

- B. Approval of Resolution 412R, "A Resolution Adopting a Remote Attendance Policy".

Motion was made by Trustee Reed, seconded by Trustee Ruzanski. Trustee Ruzanski asked for additional information and clarification from the attorney. Some additional clarification and discussion took place. The motion passed after a roll call vote with President Hansen, Trustee Reed and Trustee Ruzanski voting aye to approve Resolution 412R, "A Resolution Adopting a Remote Attendance Policy" (Item B).

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Treasurer's Report:

District Treasurer presented final written copies of the February 2022 Treasurer's reports and provided a verbal summary of some of the receipts and expenses.

Motion was made by President Hansen, seconded by Trustee Reed, to approve the February 2022 Treasurer's reports. On a roll call vote President Hansen and Trustees Reed and Ruzanski voted aye.

Approval of Bills:

District Treasurer presented a list of bills for approval. She highlighted some of the bills that were atypical or higher than usual.

Motion was made by President Hansen and seconded by Trustee Reed to approve the List of Bills for payment totaling \$142,249.18 of which \$27,553.37 is from the Governmental Fund, \$93,429.81 is from the Operations and Maintenance Fund, \$21,266.00 is from the Construction Fund, and \$0.00 is from the Bond and Interest Fund.

The motion passed after a roll call vote; President Hansen and Trustees Reed and Ruzanski voting aye.

Manager's Report:

District Manager presented a written copy of the February 2022 Manager's Report and provided a verbal summary.

There was one emergency call in February where the resident's bathroom fixtures were not draining. There was no property damage. This was due to a block in the main and was resolved once that was cleared.

Kresmery Construction has repaired 25 more manholes as part of our I&I reduction program.

James is almost done with the grease trap inspections.

The IEPA is still unhappy with us about our barium levels even though we have been meeting our limit since November. Tamara, Mike, and an Attorney from Storino, Ramello & Durkin are meeting with a representative from the IEPA to discuss this on Monday.

Motion was made by President Hansen, seconded by Trustee Reed to approve the February 2022 Manager's report. On a roll call vote, President Hansen and Trustees Reed & Ruzanski voted aye.

Engineer's Report:

Bob Doeringsfeld of Applied Technologies provided a written report and a verbal summary of some of the items that they are currently working on.

These items are as follows:

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- 1) Barium Discharge Limits – There has been no change from the last meeting.
- 2) Treatment Plant Pavement – They plan to go out to bid next week and award at the April meeting.
- 3) Development Reviews – The Arden Rose plat has been approved tonight and will need to be signed by President Hansen. The Village of Lake in the Hills sent over the South Airport Study Area Improvement Schedule. Currently it is going to be a mix of different developments and some research will need to be done to calculate connection fees and monthly charges for each.
- 4) Beach Lift Station – We have received a letter from a resident with concerns from the 2020 Beach Lift Station project. This will be discussed further in New Business.

Attorney's Report:

The statement of economic interest forms have been revised this year and it is creating some confusion. The attorney is in the process of preparing some guidance and can help with any questions.

President Hansen's resignation will be effective once the County appoints his replacement. As the Board Vice President, Trustee Reed will preside over the April meeting. In May the Board will vote for President and Vice President.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Engineer Doeringsfeld provided detail on the resident complaint we received related to the Beach Lift Station project. One of the main concerns is that the resident indicated that they had a spruce tree that died. The tree was approximately 10-15 feet off of the construction line, however, there was some soil loss in that area. While the construction was still under way back in 2020, the engineer and contractor were notified that the tree was leaning. At that time the tree was stabilized and the resident was advised that there was a landscape allowance which could be used to replace that tree, however, he never contacted us to request that. A visit to the site today confirmed that the tree is dead.

Additionally, during construction this resident's sewer backed up and this was due to contractor error. At that time, the resident was advised to submit any bills related to this backup so that we could have the contractor reimburse him. At that time, the District was still holding retainage from the contractor which could've been used to reimburse the resident, however, we never received any bills from the resident. This resident had a second backup this past October. We now have a picture which shows that the contractor's correction fixed the immediate issue, but it was not done correctly. Engineer Doeringsfeld plans to contact the contractor about this.

Another issue presented in the resident's complaint was about odor from the vent pipe. We can correct this with a carbon filter.

There was also a complaint about noise from the cooling fan. Some decibel measurements were made and they also checked to be sure the temperature was not set too low which would cause the fan to run more frequently.

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The resident was also upset about the ComEd pole. This is installed on the property line which is where ComEd would always install these. We do not have any control over where ComEd would put these. The resident would need to address this issue with ComEd.

Additional complaints were made about grass in the construction area. During the recent site visit the observation was that the grass did not look much different from the undisturbed grass. If necessary we could have it reseeded, however, it is on a hill and probably would not make much of a difference.

There was also claim of damage to the sea wall as it leans a bit in one corner. We did not disturb this and cannot confirm how it looked before construction.

Also, there was mentioned of the erosion around the wood barrier that we installed. There was some soil loss here from the erosion of sand on the Village's beach. District staff could repair this by adding some filter fabric and soil.

Some discussion took place and it was decided that the Engineer would respond to the resident. It was the Board's consensus to set a price limit to replace the tree and work with the resident to address the issues as discussed.

Executive Session

Motion was made by President Hansen, seconded by Trustee Ruzanski to go into closed session for the discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06 (5 ILCS 120/2(c)21). On a roll call vote, President Hansen and Trustees Reed and Ruzanski voted aye. Engineer Doeringsfeld left the room and the executive session was entered at 7:45pm.

Open Session Reconvened:

The regular meeting was reconvened at 7:49pm with President Hansen and Trustees Reed and Ruzanski present. Also present were District Manager Tamara Mueller, Assistant District Manager Mike Nelson, District Attorney Ann Williams and District Treasurer/Clerk Karen Thompson.

Action in Open Session:

Motion was made by Trustee Reed and seconded by Trustee Ruzanski to release the closed meeting minutes from January 21, 2021, February 18, 2021, March 18, 2021 and September 16, 2021. On a roll call vote, President Hansen, Trustee Reed and Trustee Ruzanski voted aye. These minutes will be released and placed on the District's website on March 18, 2022.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to bring before the Board, President Hansen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Reed seconded. The motion passed after a verbal vote. All Board members who were present voted aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Karen Thompson,
District Clerk

APPROVED this 21st day of April, 2022.



President Hansen