

**Lake in the Hills Sanitary District  
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 19, 2026**

**Roll Call:**

The regular meeting was called to order by President Jessica Reed at 7:00pm at the Sanitary District offices located at 515 Plum Street. Roll call was answered by President Jessica Reed, Trustee Matt Irsay and Trustee Robert Reining. Also in attendance at the Sanitary District offices were District Manager Tamara Mueller, Assistant District Manager Mike Nelson, Engineer Riley Albert of Applied Technologies and District Attorney Melissa Wolf of Storino, Ramello & Durkin. District Treasurer/Clerk Karen Thompson attended via Zoom.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made by Trustee Reining, seconded by Trustee Irsay, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 15, 2026 as presented. On a roll call vote, President Reed and Trustees Irsay and Reining voted aye.

**Public Comments:**

None.

**Consent Agenda:**

None.

**Specific Agenda:**

None.

**Treasurer's Report:**

District Treasurer presented final written copies of the January 2026 Treasurer's reports and verbally provided insight on some of the revenues and expenses on each of the reports.

Motion was made by Trustee Irsay, seconded by Trustee Reining, to approve the January 2026 Treasurer's reports as presented. On a roll call vote, President Reed and Trustees Irsay and Reining voted aye.

**Approval of Bills:**

District Treasurer presented a list of bills for approval. She highlighted some of the bills that we see less frequently, as well as those for higher dollar amounts.

Motion was made by Trustee Reining, and seconded by Trustee Irsay to approve the List of Bills as presented. The total approved for payment is \$251,260.95 of which \$27,925.75 is from the Governmental Funds, \$121,717.20 is from the Operations and Maintenance Funds, \$101,618.00 is from the Construction Funds, and \$0.00 is from the Bond and Interest Funds.

The motion passed after a roll call vote; President Reed and Trustees Irsay and Reining voted aye to approve the list of bills as presented.

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**Manager's Report:**

District Manager presented written copies of the 2025 Annual Manager's Report and the January 2026 Monthly Manager's Report and provided additional verbal details.

On the 2025 Annual Report she highlighted the following items:

- There were slightly fewer after-hours residential calls compared to the prior year.
- The District's average daily flows decreased in 2025. This can be attributed in part to the lining project and reduced rainfall. Lower flows result in lower operating expenses for the District.
- Kyle has been doing an excellent job managing sludge, which has also resulted in cost savings for the District.
- The District no longer receives industrial waste, as the lagoon is permanently out of service.
- Overtime expenses are primarily related to weekend rounds. There are new changes to the JULIE service this year that may contribute to additional overtime.

On the January 2026 monthly report she highlighted the following items:

- There were three emergency calls in January. One was a District-related issue; however, no property damage occurred.
- The District received the engagement letter from GWA for the fiscal year-end 4/30/2026 audit. The total audit fee increased by \$800 for 2026. A fully executed copy will be returned to GWA if the Trustees have no objections.
- Statements of Economic Interest are due by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Motion was made by Trustee Irsay, seconded by Trustee Reining, to approve the Manager's reports. On a roll call vote, President Reed and Trustees Irsay and Reining voted aye.

**Engineer's Report:**

District Engineer Bob Doeringsfeld provided a written report which was included in the Board meeting packet. Engineer Riley Albert attended the meeting and provided a verbal summary of current projects.

The current projects are as follows:

- McHenry County Division of Transportation (MCDOT) Randall Road Project – Project meetings are ongoing. The District is still waiting for the sewer testing. A District resident has a sanitary sewer service in conflict with a portion of the work to be completed this fall. They are working on plans to modify the location of the riser and keep connection at the same location.
- Development Reviews – The most recent submittal for the Osho Retail Development has dropped the car wash. They are working on reviewing the plans for the El Carwash which is a redevelopment of a bank site on Randall Road.
- Task Order 26-01 District Code Review – They are reviewing District Code to update technical requirements, streamline procedures, and modernize construction/development requirements. A meeting was held this morning at the District. Meetings and discussion will continue.
- Task Order 26-02 Influent Screen Replacement – This project involves replacing the influent screens at the Main Lift Station. A kickoff meeting was held on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. They met with Drydon Equipment and SAVÉCO on February 13<sup>th</sup>. The proposed improvements will include screen and washer compactor replacement, new flooring, electrical and controls improvements and possible replacement of the lifting crane. The proposed schedule includes bidding the project in May 2026.

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**Attorney's Report:**

None.

**Unfinished Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

None.

**Adjournment:**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Karen Thompson,  
District Clerk

APPROVED this 19th day of March, 2026.

  
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President Reed