

## Sanitary District No. 2 Budget Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes - APPROVED

Date: Thursday, October 16, 2025

**Time:** 4:30 p.m.

Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

**Present:** Sanitary District Commissioners Tim Ehler, Geno Francis, and John Sterling; Administrator Christina Peterson, Water Operator Dan Odeen, and Public Works Foreman

Terry Wright. **Absent:** None.

**Attendance List:** None

## **Budget Public Hearing**

- 1. Ehler opened the Budget Public Hearing at 4:35 p.m. No residents in attendance. Peterson presented and reviewed Proposed 2026 Budget. Sterling asked about State Road School Expansion and effect on sewer.
- 2. Motion by Sterling to close public hearing at 4:45 p.m., second by Francis. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Regular Meeting**

- 1. Regular meeting called to order by Ehler at 4:46 p.m.
- 2. <u>Minutes from 9/18/2025</u>, Motion by Francis to approve minutes from 9/18/2025, second by Sterling. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. <u>Minutes from 9/30/2025</u>, Motion by Francis to approve minutes from 9/30/2025, second by Sterling. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4. <u>Bills Payable</u>. Motion by Ehler to pay open invoices in the amount of \$20,872.47, second by Francis, Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Francis to approve closed invoices in the amount of \$61,622.17, second by Sterling. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Public Comment. None.
- 6. Approve 2026 Budget. Wright asked to confirm that sewer lining for 2026 was accounted for. Peterson responded that it is factored into the depreciation line item. Peterson noted that the budget includes a 3% increase in water rates and \$2/quarter increase in sewer rate. Motion by Sterling to approve 2026 budget for water and sewer, second by Francis. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Resolution 2025-5. Motion by Sterling to approve Resolution 2025-5 to levy \$75,000 for the Sanitary District #2 for the water, Second by Francis. Motion carried unanimously.

- 8. <u>Administrator Report</u>. Peterson reported that additional testing for Arbor Hills Well #2 is scheduled.
- 9. Public Works Report.
- a. Wright reported that the sewer lining for 2025 will be done around November 1, 2025.
- b. Wright reported the blue tank at Arbor Hills Well 2 lost water volume and pressure. It needs a new transducer for approximately \$3000. Public Works crew can change it out.
- c. The recent watermain break on October 1<sup>st</sup> in Arbor Hills was a 36in long crack in pipe. Pipe was not bedded properly when originally installed, so problems re-occur in Arbor Hills. Odeen completed a report on the break.
- d. Odeen flushed Arbor Hills watermain this week. Skyline will be next week then Wedgewood Valley.
- e. Odeen reported that it is the time of year to check heaters in wellhouses.
- f. Wedgewood Valley Well 1 and Skyline will get security lights.
- g. Odeen received water monitoring requirements for 2026. PFAs testing may be also become a requirement in the future.
- 10. President/Commissioner Reports.
- a. Ehler commented on the WI Rural Water Association conference will be in Green Bay in March which includes sessions with PSC, DNR, hot topics, financing, vendors.
- 11. Next Meeting Dates. Regular Meeting November 20th at 4:30 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 12. <u>Adjournment.</u> Motion by Francis to adjourn at 5:35 p.m., second by Sterling. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Christina Peterson, Administrator.