

Water District No. 1 Of Midland County
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Date: May 21, 2025

Board Members Present:


Steve Dunkel , Edenville
Brett Fales, Lincoln
Carl Hamann, Sanford
Doug Kruger, Lee
Art Peters, Edenville
Heidi Pitt, Lee
Steve Rice, Jerome
Dave Rothman, Hope
Bonnie Whaley, Sanford
Kevin Wray, Lincoln

Staff Present:

Rowan Everleigh
Nate French

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Approved: 6/1/8/25



Public:

None

Board Members Absent:

Rita Goul, Hope
Linzy Kreiner, Jerome

MEETING LOCATION: Jerome Township Hall

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by Wray

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND ROLL CALL: Pledge performed, 10 members were present, a quorum

MINUTES: Moved by Peters, second by Pitt, to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2025 meeting. Motion approved by voice vote.

OPERATIONAL BILLS: Moved by Rothman, second by Hamann, to approve payment of bills totaling \$92,906.68, checks 14131-145132, 14145-14148, 14150-141153, 14155, 14161-14164, 14169-14177, 14179 plus 6 EFTs. NOTE: checks 14133-14141, 14149 and 14156 were voided due to printer error and checks 14131 and 14132 were also voided after they went through the entire printing process (thus accounted for on the list of bills paid). Approved by roll call vote, 10/0. Moved by Rothman, second by Hamann, to approve local unit fee payments totaling \$8,850, checks 148-151, with check 147 voided due to printer error. Motion approved by roll call vote, 10/0. Motion by Rothman, second by Pitt, to approve payroll totaling \$68,874.61, checks 14142-14144, 14154, 14157-14160, 14165-14168, 14178, 12 Direct Deposits and 8 EFTs. Note, checks 14133-14141, 14148, 14156 were voided due to printer error. Motion approved by roll call vote, 10/0. All checks 14131-14179 accounted for above, confirmed by Board Secretary.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

STAFF REPORTS: Everleigh reported that 5175 bills were mailed to customers for a total of \$420,618.05. The experiment with emailing bills is working very well. Printer issues made check and bill printing unusually difficult in the past month and the printer service people have been engaged.

French reported the seasonal help is engaged and have finished annual system flushing. Seasonal help moving on to weed whacking around hydrants and exercising valves. Note- Valves are exercised on a 3-year cycle. The last of the lead/copper test samples are being collected and managed. The new meter reading system is working very well and better than the previous system. Routine water quality test results are good. 19 meter repairs done, 6 permits issued, 8 new meters det, water turned on for 14 accounts and 2 were shut off.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee: Wray- no report

Operations and maintenance: Rice- Sanford Village wanted a meter pit in the community garden area, but we declined the request as meter pits are a maintenance issue. The Village was advised to use a water truck. Staff will be removing abandoned water lines in the Village, including a "spider" line under the grocery store parking lot at M-30 and Saginaw. The single home served by the spider line will instead be served by a proper connection to a main line. The line removal activity will be funded through the Distribution, Repair and Maintenance budget. Midland City will increase some of their rates, we are waiting for June to see if our billk water rate changes. A fire hydrant at the old Jerome fire station will be removed. We will access via out existing easement.

Business and Finance: Rothman- The committee met on May 20, 2025, Kreiner was absent as she had advised in advance. Bills and payroll were reviewed and approved. Revenue and Expenditure report was reviewed and approved. Michigan CLASS is currently paying 4.362% on our deposits. Committee received an inventory report. No public present, next meeting June 17, 2925. Meeting adjourned at 5:53 PM.

Policy: Whaley- No report

Human Resources: Pitt- will be scheduling s committee meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Staff received a request to extend an expired permit. There has not been a permit cost increase since the permit as first issued. Board consensus was to agree to the request with a 1-year extension.

OTHER ITEMS: Board to go into closed session after public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none.

Board reconvened after the closed session

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM

h. David Roth
Wray