

NORTH HOUGHTON COUNTY WATER AND SEWAGE AUTHORITY

DATE: 2-27-23.

Meeting was called to order by Lehto at 121:01 PM

ROLL CALL: Lehto, Bonenfant, LaRochelle, Zubiena, Mukavetz, Primeau

Others Present: Holmes, Heikkila, Bjorn

Motion , Mukavetz 2nd Bonenfant to approve the January 2023 minutes as presented; Carried.

Phase 1:

Bjorn gave the board an update on the progress of the Phase 1 Project. Drafters are finishing up the collection system improvement sites to a point where a review and questions on each site will be handed over to Heikkila for review.

Lehto informed the board on what streets Calumet Twp had identified for 2023 paving using ARPA funding. Some of these streets are streets that the Phase 1 project will be working in. A conversation followed, and Holmes stated he believes the Twp would have till 2026 to spend the money. Follow up actions are required.

Bjorn presented an invoice in the amount of \$9,336.86 for work completed on the Phase 1 project.

Motion Zubiena, 2nd LaRochelle to approve the invoice in the amount of \$9,336.86, as presented; carried

Florida EB Wetland Mitigation:

Holmes provided an update to the board. After spring thaw, EGLE will verify site conditions and release the authority from the bond.

Pen Gas Building Demolition:

Heikkila presented an invoice from MJO that included the Bid amount and an additional cost for disposal of the unexpected antifreeze found in the Tanks at Pen Gas.

Motion Primeau, 2nd Mukavetz to approve the invoice in the amount of \$37,717.00, as presented; carried

Articles of Incorporation:

Heikkila presented a resolution approving amendments to the articles of incorporation of the NHCWSA, as prepared by Patrick C. Greeley, Attorney at Law, Kendricks, Bordeau, Keefe, Seavoy & Reilly, P.C. This amendment allowed the Board to adjust Board member compensation through resolutions.

Motion Zubiena, 2nd Bonenfant to adopt the resolution as presented; carried

PFAS:

Heikkila and Holmes updated the board on the presence of PFAS in the GWMWs sampled in November 2022. Currently, NHCWSA has requested a second round of sampling for verification be conducted before the lagoons become an official MPART site. In the request NHCWSA identified sampling methods used as a high potential of cross contamination. MPART's latest correspondence indicated the intend to move forward with site designation. UPEA and NHCWSA have scheduled a meeting with the MPART executive director, Abby Hendershott for 3/2/23.

Larochelle questioned the legality of an unfunded mandate.

MDOT:

Heikkila presented MDOT's 2023 Performance Resolution For Municipalities. It is a required resolution for the purpose of issuing to municipalities, a permit to work in state highway ROW.

Motion Bonenfant, 2nd Primeau to adopt the resolution as presented; carried

Summer Employment:

Heikkila informed the board that he would begin searching for candidates for a summer seasonal help position. LaRochelle reminded the board that a minimum age of 18 is required. Zubiena asked what the wage would be. Heikkila stated that the current budget had used \$15/hr for the position, based off of 2021 summer seasonal help wages.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion Mukavetz, 2nd LaRochelle to pay monthly bills totaling \$47,726.68 as presented; Carried.

Motion Zubiena, 2nd Primeau to adjourn at 1:03 pm; Carried.

Recorded by,

Submitted by,

Cleve Heikkila

Daniel Zubiena
Secretary