Gerrish Lyon Utility Authority Board April 10, 2023 Proposed

GERRISH LYON UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
April 10, 2023
Held at Gerrish Township Hall
2997 E Higgins Lake Drive
Roscommon, MI 48653

Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 pm. Present: Eric Carlson, Jerry McKenna, Phil Czech, Dave Hall, and Dave Udy. Tom Metcalf and Jim Barnwell absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

<u>APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA</u>: Motion by Eric Carlson, supported by Phil Czech: CARRIED that the agenda be approved as presented.

<u>APPROVAL OF February 13, 2023 MEETING MINUTES</u>: Motion by Dave Udy, supported by Dave Hall: CARRIED that the February 13, 2023 Minutes be approved as presented.

Old Business:

WWTP Land Acquisition – Dave Hall said steps have started for surveys and boring samples.

O & M REU's – Dave Udy asked the subcommittee who drafted the proposed O &M REU's, finalize their proposal and submit at the May meeting.

Vacant Lot assessments – Phil Czech mentioned the two differing views offered at the February meeting. One being optional and the other being mandatory to at cover some main line and WWTP costs. Eric Carlson supports minimizing additional financial burden on the property owners. Dave Udy asked for more information gathering.

New Business:

GW Discharge Permit Application – Dave Hall stated this needs to submitted immediately. Motion by Dave Hall to submit the application. Motion supported by Phil Czech. CARRIED that the motion to submit the GW Discharge Permit Application be approved.

Public Comments:

- Citizen remarked about GLUA and HLPOA entitlement, cherry picked studies, bar napkin math, and environmental overreact.
- Citizens offered input regarding vacant lot assessments. Felt that although he did not support the sewer project, the fair thing would be to have some level of mandatory assessment.

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- Citizen spoke about a community forum was coming together for people to weigh in on the sewer project and was asking for volunteers.
- Citizen asked if GLUA applied for 2024 CWSRF. Are citizens going to be able to comment? Said Annual findings from citizen volunteer CLMP testing the surface water in the middle of the lake found phosphorous levels haven't changed in twenty years.
- Citizen asked total project cost to date and how can GLUA move forward with Lyon Township in a holding pattern?

GLUA Comments:

- Eric Carlson hopes Lyon Township gets 51%
- Phil Czech clarified stance on vacant lots
- Dave Hall said studies show phosphorous levels are rising on the shelfs and the DNR supports the sewer project
- Dave Udy emphasized the STEP system is a real sewer. Said we were originally scheduled to have an annual meeting tonight but were missing two members and recommends we move it to August when more citizens can attend.

Motion to adjourn by Phil Czech, supported by Dave Hall. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

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