

Lake Mitchell Sewer Authority

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Cadillac, MI 49601

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December 21, 2021

- A. Call To Order: Hilty 5:00 P.M.
- B. Roll Call: Keith, Pullen, Boyd, Kitler, Hilty Absent: None
- C. Additions and deletions to the agenda: Add late letter of interest for board appointment from Dave Kuyers.
- D. Approval of agenda: Boyd made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Kitler supported. Upon Roll call vote motion carried unanimously.
- E. Public Comment: Jackie Erway has questions in writing and asked when they will be answered. Jackie stated again that her payment would not work on line and came in the next day to pay it, which was late. Wanted to have the late fees taken off her bill. As previously agreed by the board the late fees will not be waived.
- F. Minutes from November 16, 2021: Keith made a motion to approve the minutes from November 16, 2021 as presented. Boyd supported. All in Favor Unanimously.
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 - a. Invoices from November 9th thru December 14, 2021 in the amount of \$123,375.68. Boyd made a motion to approve bills as presented Pullen supported. Upon Roll Call Vote motion carried unanimously.
- 2) 2021 Budget activity informational: supplied
- 3) FOIA: One FOIA received from Dave Stinger LMPOI: Nixon stated that this FOIA included prior FOIA material.
- 4) Public Notice: Persons of interest for appointment to LMSA board for 3 year term: Applicants included Dave Coffey, Bob Hilty and Mike Boyd. One late application from Dave Kuyers.
- 5) Boyd made a motion to disallow the late applicant. Pullen supported. Upon Roll Call Vote motion carried unanimously. Pullen discussed Hilty and Coffey being good candidates and his friends but would like Hilty to see this project through to the end. Hilty agreed that he would like to finish what he started.
 - a.) Pullen made a motion to nominate Hilty for a three year term. Kitler supported. Upon Roll Call Vote motion carried unanimous with Hilty abstaining. Dave Coffey addressed the board and questioned if his resume had been reviewed, the board members confirmed that it had.
 - b.) Kitler made a motion to nominate Boyd for a three year term. Keith supported. Upon Roll Call Vote carried unanimously with Boyd abstaining.
- 6) ITRight Quote for a new server: Pullen made a motion to approve the purchase of a new server as presented. Kitler supported. Upon Roll Call Vote motion carried unanimously.
- 7) O&M Update:
 - a.) Draft Correspondence to Wexford County BOC: Hill presented draft letter to Wexford County and stated that she would like to include EGLE violations and loan application. Also, will include the Cadillac news article. Hill provided a copy of the EGLE's Second violation notice and enforcement notice that was received by LMSA earlier that day. She stated that EGLE is moving forward with the enforcement action. She recommended to the board that this notice be included with the letter that will be sent to the Wexford County. She also stated that LMSA has an opportunity to schedule a meeting with EGLE to discuss the matter and try to negotiate the enforcement actions. This meeting will need to be scheduled within 20 days of the enforcement letter.

b.) USDA (Blake Smith) made some changes to the application process and now the LMSA may not have to deal with railroad easements.

c.) Cadillac News article: Mentioned above.

d.) General system information: Hill reported that they had 5 alarms, 8 ½ hours of OT, 16 miss digs, 3 dives to replace discharge flanges. Hill reported on the power outages the system experienced beginning early morning December 16th and ending late in the afternoon on December 17th. Hill stated the office lost power for both days as well. Hill stated both of the LMSA portable generators became inoperable and required staff to use emergency crews to help pump down the lift stations and grinder pump stations to prevent SSO's. The LMSA technicians and emergency crew had someone following them taking pictures and or video during the power outage.

H. Public Comment: Jay Puvogal stated that the city of Cadillac is not a cooperative partner and either is consumers. Jackie Erway questioned where the posting was for applicants to the board. On website and on the door and also notifications were sent to the townships. Application time was from Dec. 2-15. Erway stated that that was not acceptable. Tom Talluto thanked the board for their hard work and continuity. He also stated that he saw the posting on the website and thought about applying but was gone in the winter. Dave Kuyers complained about Selma Township not stating anything about the LMSA board appointment, violation of open meetings act, understanding of bylaws, understanding of financials, representation of the people. Dave Stinger complained about legal appointments were not legal, good candidates were intentional or not.

I. Board Comments: Keith asked if the LMPOI has a website and how can he find it? Boyd apologized for not mentioning it at Selma Township's board meeting.

J. Adjourn: 5:55 P.M.