REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE IOWA GREAT LAKES SANITARY DISTRICT
August 26, 2025, 3:00 P.M.
DISTRICT OFFICE, MILFORD, IOWA

President Hoppe called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Trustees; Andres, Kuhlman, Clary and Camozzi were present. Others present were Josh Pope, Steve Anderson, Bryce Ellenbecker.

Trustees held the second reading of the Amendments to Ordinance 41 of the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District: Ordinances Section 1.03(47) relating to the definition of unmetered property and Ordinances Section 7.03 and 7.04 to increase sewer rental rates. Motion made by Andres, to approve the second reading. Clary seconded the motion to approve. The roll was called and the vote was, AYES: Andres, Kuhlman, Clary, Camozzi, Hoppe; NAYS: none. Whereupon the President declared second reading was approved.

Trustee Kuhlman moved to waive the third reading of the Amendments to Ordinance 41 of the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District: Ordinances Section 1.03(47) relating to the definition of unmetered property and Ordinances Section 7.03 and 7.04 to increase sewer rental rates. Andres seconded the motion to approve. The roll was called and the vote was, AYES: Andres, Kuhlman, Clary, Camozzi, Hoppe; NAYS: none. Whereupon the President declared second reading was approved.

Trustee Clary moved to adopt Amendments to Ordinance 41 of the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District: Ordinances Section 1.03(47) relating to the definition of unmetered property and Ordinances Section 7.03 and 7.04 to increase sewer rental rates. Andres seconded the motion to approve. The roll was called and the vote was, AYES: Andres, Kuhlman, Clary, Camozzi, Hoppe; NAYS: none. Whereupon the President declared second reading was approved. Whereupon the President declared the Amendments to Ordinance 41 of the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District were adopted.

Trustees discussed two real estate items, without going into closed session.

Trustees approved the purchase of 150 spare solar panels (3 pallets) for $7,362.00 from Ziegler Energy Solutions (Andres/Kuhlman); all ayes.

Trustees approved the consent agenda as follows:
Minutes from the August 12, 2025, meeting.
(Kuhlman/Clary); all ayes.

Ellenbecker and Anderson discussed the encroachment application process with the Trustees. The discussion was to remove items from the encroachment application that were not specifically necessary for concerns with an encroachment, such as pipe size. The Trustees agreed that certain items could be removed and will have Ellenbecker make changes and provide an update. Hoppe requested that Ellenbecker provide a report on hold harmless agreements he works on and what he has approved for the prior month.

Anderson let the Trustees know that there is one sewer capacity request Bolton and Menk is working on right now for the former Klien property on M-56.

Anderson explained an issue in the Triboji area where two homes were connected together, and one separated the connection for a new sewer line. It was unknown that the other house was connected. Anderson explained all the requirements that would be needed to have the two continue to be connected. Anderson just wanted the Trustees to be aware of the situation.

Anderson and Pope gave an update on the construction projects. The plant concrete pouring is not on schedule. Access to the office is very limited and customers can only come to the office by appointment at this time. The lab is getting close, but the hood is not set to be shipped until after Labor Day at this point.

The concern is the lab certification will expire shortly. Chris Schoneman has been keeping the lab certification staff informed of the progress. There are several punch list items that need to be completed for the Shop, Lab and Office project. The force main project contractor is still placing pipe in the ground. The excavating subcontractor Graff has not been on site for almost a week and a half. We are not sure why they have not been onsite. Bolton and Menk are pushing for answers. It does not appear that the force main project will stay on schedule.

Anderson and Hoppe talked with the Trustees about the City of Okoboji sewer line between Highway 71 and Seeman's lift station on the lakeside of Smith's Bay.

The meeting was adjourned by Motion. (Clary/Andres).

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Kae Hoppe, President Chad Clary, Clerk