

“For Cleaner Lakes and Rivers”

GRAND HAVEN-SPRING LAKE SEWER AUTHORITY

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The regular meeting of the Grand Haven-Spring Lake Sewer Authority will be held at 8:15 A.M. on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 in the Council Chambers in Grand Haven City Hall located at 519 Washington St. Grand Haven, Michigan 49417

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday August 20, 2025

8:15 A.M.

1. Meeting called to order 8:15 a.m.

2. Roll Call:

Present:

Treasurer Craig Bessinger
Patrick Staskiewicz
Bill Cargo
Vice-Chair Brady Selner
Steve Namenye
Gordon Gallagher
Michael England

City of Ferrysburg
Ottawa County Road Commission
Grand Haven Township
Village of Spring Lake
Member at Large
Spring Lake Township
City of Grand Haven Alternate

Also Present:

Ryan Vredevel
Cory VanOeveren
Matt Wade
Nate Ver Heul

WWTP Superintendent
WWTP Environmental Compliance Supervisor
Grand Haven Township Alternate
Prein & Newhof Engineer

Absent:

Chair Ashley Latsch
Joel TePastte

City of Grand Haven
Village of Spring Lake

3. Approval of the minutes of the May 21, 2025 Sewer Authority Board meeting

Motion by Gallagher to approve the minutes, support by Namenye and all in favor motion carries

4. Public Comment

No public comment

5. Financial Report

Superintendent Vredevelde provided a current financials

6. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Vredevelde updates the board on the operations of the plant. Plant maintained compliance for ammonia discharge limits during July, a great sign that the plant can promote Nitrification to achieve exceptional ammonia discharge concentrations that far exceed the restricted limits the plant faces in July and August. Vredevelde provided a recap on the July WWTP open house event referred to as Party in the Park. In addition, updates were given on various projects around the facility.

7. General Business.

A. Biosolids Drying Feasibility Study by Prein & Newhof

Nate Ver Heul of Prein & Newhof presents on the final report on the study they performed on drying biosolids technologies at the WWTP facility. This study was performed to help provide the Sewer Authority Board with options when faced with a decision to update plant operations when plant staff's option in disposals outlets changes in regards to biosolids. Discussion is had following the report, with many board members acknowledging that the concerns about the changing environment surrounding land application. No decision is being made as this presentation was informational for the Board and this report may be used in the future when such a decision is needed.

8. Board Member Comments.

No board comments

9. Announcement of next Sewer Authority Meeting: November 19, 2025

10. Adjournment. 9:20 a.m.

Sewer Authority Members:

Brady Selner, Vice-Chairperson
City of Grand Haven - Vacant
Ashley Latsch, Chairperson
Craig Bessinger, Treasurer
Steve Namenye
Gordon Gallagher
Patrick Staskiewicz
Bill Cargo
Joel TePastte

Alternate Members:

Wally Delamater

Michael England
Matt Schindlbeck

Joe Wallace
Matt Wade

Consultants:

Matt VanHoef

Others:

Grand Haven Tribune
Bob Monetza
Maria Boersma

GENERAL MEMBERS: IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND THE MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR ALTERNATE SO THAT HE/SHE MAY