



The SAD is the Sherman Lake Assessment District. All current homeowners are required to connect to the sewer no later than September 1, 2023. Additional information is available at www.glswa.org, www.glswa.org/faqs and the power point provided by [Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Dept.](#)

The cost of the sewer connection is as follows:

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| 1. Permit Fee: | \$ 90.00 | Due 9/1/2022 |
| 2. Direct Connection REU Fee: | \$ 3,250.00 | Due 9/1/2022 |
| a. Financing Option 5 yr/3% Available, ask for details and an agreement through GLSWA. | | |
| b. When financing option is in place and the home changes ownership, the balance of the Direct Connection REU Fee must be paid in full. | | |
| 3. Installation: | | |
| a. Financing Through Bond | \$ 15,300.00 – Short, <u>or</u> | Terms TBD |
| | \$ 16,300.00 – Long | through Bond approval. |
| b. Participating in the Project | \$ 15,300.00 – Short, <u>or</u> | Due 7/29/2022 |
| | \$ 16,300.00 – Long | Due 7/29/2022 |
| c. Not participating in the project, materials only* | \$ 9,474.25 – Short, <u>or</u> | |
| | \$ 10,474.25 – Long | |

Short: If within 125 ft of sewer line cost is \$15,300

Long: If greater than 125 ft of the sewer line the cost is \$16,300

* Materials must be purchased through GLSWA, and work must be completed through GLSWA approved contractors.

What are the terms of the Bond?

The interest rate will be determined by August 30, 2022. Approximately 80 banks are being queried. The financing through the bond carries with the property even if there is a home owner change.

How will I be billed?

- Financing Through Bond: The sewer installation cost will be added as a line item on your property tax statement from Ross Township.
- All others: Invoiced through GLSWA.

Will there be any additional costs?

Property owners are responsible for internal electrical costs to bring service to code and to provide the 30-amp service disconnect to the point of connection for the grinder pump.

What if I want to pay the amount off the financing of the Bond early?

You can pay off both the SAD and the Connection fee early. There is no additional penalty, but you will be responsible for the interest charged beginning Sept 1, 2022, until the time the balance of the assessment is paid in full.

When will the installation begin?

Sewer installations will begin in the fall 2022 and will be complete September 2023. All work is weather permitting.

How long does the installation take? Do I need to be home?

Several areas around the lake will be connected at the same time. The preparation work for each section will take several weeks. Any time home access is anticipated, the homeowners will be contacted in advance so arrangements can be made.

Will I be notified prior to the install?

GLSWA will make every attempt to convey anticipated locations and work to be completed on the property. In addition, other utility service providers will be staking properties to locate underground utilities prior to the work to be completed.

Is there anything I need to do to prepare?

Each homeowner is responsible to ensure the electrical service is up to code and equipped to handle the sewer service.

What are the electrical requirements?

A licensed electrician will need to connect to a 30-amp breaker in your electrical box for the disconnect mounted on the outside of the home at the location of the grinder tank basin.

What do I need to know about the pressure sewer system? Is there anything specific I need to do to maintain it? GLSWA provides educational materials for what not to flush or dispose of into the sewer system. This should fall in line with current practices for a septic sewer system. Grinders are expected to last about 15 years. More details about the grinder and the sewer pressure system are available at www.glswa.org. GLSWA will maintain the public side of the system including the grinder, out to the street and control panel. The home owners are responsible for maintenance within the home including electric and plumbing.

What happens if the red light goes off? Who do I call? What if the electricity goes out?

The homeowner is responsible to call GLSWA at 269-731-4595 to report any problems with the system 24 hours a day /7 days a week. If the home is without power, the grinder is also without power. This will not matter because the home will also not have running water.

When will the sewer project be completed?

Connection to sewer is mandated by Sept 1, 2023.

Other Online Resources:

Sherman Lake Information: <https://glswa.org/sherman-lake-sewer-info>

Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Dept: <https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/300bbfdf-b343-47af-98f3-d4f80162822d/downloads/Sherman%20Lake%20Sewer%20Connection%20Meeting%20Powerpoi.pdf?ver=1658951498254>

Contractors Approved for the Sherman Lake Project: <https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/300bbfdf-b343-47af-98f3-d4f80162822d/downloads/Contractors%20APPROVED%20for%20Sherman%20Lake%20Sanitary.pdf?ver=1658951498253>

Grinder Pumps Overview and Information: <https://glswa.org/grinder-pump-systems>.

GLSWA FAQ: <https://glswa.org/faqs>

GLSWA Rates & Ordinances: <https://glswa.org/rates>

Homeowner Preventive Maintenance: <https://glswa.org/you-can-help>

Ross Township: <https://rosstownshipmi.gov/>