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Gull Lake Sewer & Water Authority

MINUTES OF AUGUST 20, 2026, BOARD MEETING

Authority Board Meeting 1:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL: Commissioner Stoneburner called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Commissioners present were Jimmy Stoneburner, Jeff Sorensen, Bear Priest, Christina Hutchings, and Barry Bower. Also, present were the Executive Director John Crumb, Executive Assistant Leslee Schnepp, Field Superintendent Aaron Grogg, Water Services Superintendent Bill Bresson, Engineer Paul Schram, legal counsel Lindsay Dangl, and some area residents.

REVIEW AND SET THE AGENDA: Motion
Sorensen made a motion to set the agenda.
Motion was seconded by Bower.
Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

HEAR THOSE PRESENT:
- A resident spoke.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion
- July 16, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes

Sorensen made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
Motion was seconded by Bower.
Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

CORRESPONDENCE:

- July 16, 2026, Board Meeting Sign-In Sheet
- The Bluffs July 2026
- SCSWA July 2026
- City of Kalamazoo July 2026
- Ross Twp & Richland Twp Outstanding Invoices
- 5929 N 37th St
- Consumers CU Municipal Money Market Account
- UIS Modem Replacement Recommendation

Closed Session: ***Consult with legal counsel to consider attorney client material exempt from disclosure pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(h) and MCL 15.243(1).***

At 1:35 p.m. Sorensen moved that the Authority Board enter Closed Session to consult with legal counsel to consider attorney client material exempt from disclosure pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(h) and MCL 15.243(1) with Board Members Sorensen, Stoneburner, and Bower, and the Executive Director. Board Members Hutchings and Priest recused themselves.
The Motion was seconded by Bower.
Roll Call Vote: Stoneburner-aye; Priest-aye; Sorensen-aye; Bower-aye; Hutchings-aye.
Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Sorensen and seconded by Bower to return to the regular meeting at 1:53 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Stoneburner – aye; Priest- aye; Sorensen- aye; Bower-aye; Hutchings-aye.
Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

• **Ross and Richland Twp Invoices** Motion
Sorensen made the motion to continue sending the invoices to Ross and Richland Townships until the issue is resolved.
Motion was seconded by Bower.
Roll Call Vote: Stoneburner – aye; Priest – nay; Sorensen – aye; Bower – aye; Hutchings – nay.
Motion carried.

• **Financial Report / Bills Pd. +Payables for June 2026** Motion
Sorensen made the motion to approve the financials as presented.
Motion was seconded by Stoneburner.
Motion carried: 3 ayes; 2 nays

• **American Pipeline Solution Ice Pigging Deposit** Motion
Sorensen made the motion to approve the Executive Director to work with the company regarding scheduling and payment of the deposit for American Pipeline Solutions.
Motion was seconded by Stoneburner.
Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

• **LS 13 Driveway Paving** Motion
Sorensen made the motion to approve the driveway paving at lift station 13 to accommodate the truck with a cost not to exceed $8,500.
Motion was seconded by Stoneburner.
Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

• **Capital Investment for LS 12, LS 18, and LS 28** Motion
Sorensen made the motion to approve capital investment for lift station 12, lift station 18 and lift station 28.
Motion was seconded by Hutchings.
Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

- **Non-Sherman Lake Connected Homes** Motion

Hutchings made the motion to approve the permit price, equipment cost, and costs for all such work of connection to be charged at the current rates to new connections on Sherman Lake expressing that the expired permits are no longer valid and the cost of the equipment previously quoted for the project has expired.
Motion was seconded by Sorensen.
Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

- **Entry Door Replacements** Motion

Priest made the motion to hold off on non-operating investments until the civil suit is settled.
The motion was seconded by Hutchings.
Motion failed: 2 ayes; 3 nays

Sorensen made a motion to approve the quote for the door replacements.
Motion was seconded by Stoneburner.
Motion carried: 3 ayes; 2 nays

Executive Director Report Discussion

Executive Director Crumb updated the board on items he has been working on and continues to work on.

OLD BUSINESS

- LS # 5 Generator Replacement Motion

Hutchings made a motion for the Executive Director, the engineer, and attorney to write a letter to the property owner to accept the original placement of the generator or to cover all costs associated with relocating the generator to the adjacent property. Cost estimate for the property owner is $10,000.
Motion was seconded by Stoneburner.
Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

- FM 1 ARV Replacement Discussion

Adjourn

A Motion was made by Sorensen and seconded by Priest to adjourn the meeting at 2:51 p.m.
Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Jeff Sorensen – Secretary