

**TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA
MINUTES OF THE CEDAR LAKE / LAKE DALECARLIA
REGIONAL WASTE DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING**

June 28, 2021

**Public Meeting Advertised for 6:00 PM
Conducted at the Cedar Lake Town Hall
Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence**



Town of Cedar Lake

Present Robert H. Carnahan, Ward 1
Absent John Foreman, Ward 2
Absent Julie Rivera, Ward 3
Present Ralph Miller, Ward 4
Present Colleen Schieben, Ward 6
Present Richard Sharpe, Ward 7, Vice-President
Present Randell Niemeyer, Ward 5, President
Present Jennifer Sandberg, Clerk-Treasurer
Present Richard Eberly, Town Manager
Present David Austgen, Town Attorney
Present Tim Kubiak, Director of Operations
Absent Neil Simstad, Engineer

Lake Dalecarlia Regional Waste District

Absent Stanley Lee, Ward I
Absent David Anderson, Ward II
Absent Judy Wolff, Ward III
Present Eric Hubinger, Ward IV
Present Jim Teske, Ward V
Vacant, Ward VI
Present Virginia Feyes, Ward VII
Absent Angela Burrows, Clerk-Treasurer
Present Nicole Walkowiak, District Manager
Present David Kacmarik, Attorney
Absent Wanda DeBold, Crew Chief
Present James Maurer, Engineer

Cedar Lake Wastewater Superintendent, Tony Perez was also in attendance.

OPENING COMMENTS

A. Cedar Lake

President Niemeyer thanked Lake Dalecarlia representatives for attending the meeting. It is something they are supposed to do annually per the contract. There is so much growth and they need to keep each other up to speed. This is a great opportunity to keep everyone in the loop. Mr. Eberly thanked them as well for attending. Mr. Austgen gave a brief background. In June of 1989, the original agreement between the Town and the District for wastewater treatment was signed. An amendment occurred in 1995. At the time, needs were changing. He briefly discussed the sewage agreement with Lowell as well as the requirements per the contract. He gave a brief background on past interceptor projects, capital financing, and what that meant for an amendment to the agreement. He stated the importance of the annual meeting. Mr. Eberly stated the agreement calls for an average daily flow of up to 150,000 gallons with a maximum daily flow of up to 250,000 gallons. On average, Lake Dalecarlia is nowhere near that. He believes it to be approximately 83,000. Mr. Perez concurred. No capacity issues.

B. Lake Dalecarlia

Mr. Kacmarik thanked Cedar Lake for the invite. They have a mutually beneficial relationship and are happy to discuss whatever may come up.

NEW BUSINESS

1. General Usage Discussion

President Niemeyer stated about two years ago the Town created a municipal Utility Board, which is the Town Council. One of the goals was to go house to house and really look at the inflow and infiltration problems. Trying to discover places where sump pumps are tied into the system. They have to get that stuff routed out of the system. That is something they are doing internally. Ms. Walkowiak stated they have done that also. They first looked at it approximately ten years ago and are approximately 15% complete. Mr. Niemeyer asked Mr. Kubiak how they are doing with that project. Mr. Kubiak stated not as good as they are. They are trying to pinpoint some of the trouble areas. When redoing Lift Station #5, they found that area to have a lot during significant rain events. Mr. Kubiak discussed some projects the Town is working on including lift station improvements and plans for the west side and east side interceptor improvements. Mr. Perez discussed Lift Station #20, which is in Lake Dalecarlia, needing a complete reconstruction. He discussed flooding issues and the need for new controls and panels. Mr. Eberly briefly discussed the agreement and the policy for notifying Lake Dalecarlia of any capital improvements. He briefly discussed some upcoming projects at the Wastewater Treatment Plant as well as the interceptor projects. A discussion occurred on a prior capacity analysis. President Niemeyer stated they aren't at capacity yet but they are trying to plan ahead of the growth.

Ms. Walkowiak stated Lake Dalecarlia doesn't have a lot of area left for growth. They occasionally get a new home here or there. There isn't anything more to report at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

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ADJOURNMENT President Niemeyer called the meeting to adjourn at approximately 6:30pm.

COUNCIL OF THE CIVIL TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

Randell Niemeyer, President, Ward 5

Richard Sharpe, Vice President, Ward 7

Robert H. Carnahan, Ward 1

John Foreman, Ward 2

Julie Rivera, Ward 3

Ralph Miller, Ward 4

ATTEST:

Colleen Schieben, Ward 6

Jennifer N. Sandberg, IAMC
Clerk-Treasurer

The Minutes of the Cedar Lake Town Council are transcribed pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-4(b), which states:

- (b) As the meeting progresses, the following *memoranda* shall be kept:
- (1) The date, time and place of the meeting.
 - (2) The members of the governing body recorded as either present or absent.
 - (3) The general substance of all matters proposed, discussed, or decided.
 - (4) A record of all votes taken, by individual members if there is a roll call.
 - (5) Any additional information required under IC 5-1.5-2-2.5.