

South County Sewer & Water Authority

(Serving the Townships of Brady, Pavilion & Schoolcraft)

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Authority Regular Meeting Minutes of Tues. Aug. 26, 2025, 9:30 a.m.

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Board Chair John Speeter. Also in attendance were Vice Chair, Randy Smith (Brady Charter Township Supervisor), Secretary and Treasurer, Don Ulsh (Schoolcraft Township Supervisor) and Associate Member Joe Beck (Village of Schoolcraft Trustee). Also in attendance was SCSWA Executive Director Frank LaPierre.

Review and Set Agenda-

Today's meeting agenda was presented for review. LaPierre requested to move up the presentation of the annual audit to immediately follow general correspondence. Motioned by Ulsh, seconded by Smith to approve the amended agenda as presented. **Motion carried.**

Review of Regular Meeting Minutes

The draft minutes of the July 22, 2025 regular meeting were presented for review. Motioned by Ulsh, seconded by Smith to approve the draft minutes as presented. **Motion carried.**

Hear those present- N/A

General Correspondence- N/A

Active Project Status-

- Village of Schoolcraft Update- N/A

New Business-

- SCSWA 2024/25 Audit Presentation: Jamie Wilkey, Partner, Lauterbach & Amen presented The 2024/25 Audit supported by PPT slides. The audit was clean and achieved the highest Level of "unmodified" with no material weaknesses. Wilkey provided an overview of the financials and discussed the annual CAP letter that she collaborated with LaPierre to create. Wilkey also included an overview of the differences in the governance and accounting processes between Authorities (Enterprise Fund mgt.) and Townships. Authorities are encouraged to show surpluses and deficits in their budgets and performance, and, are not required to show "0" out budgets. LaPierre also explained that SCSWA must demonstrate an annual surplus in financial results, equal to or greater than our annual bond payment.
- UV Avenue Emergency Repair Project Update: LaPierre updated that he is waiting on contact from Cathodic Equipment team from Consumers Power as organized by Thall.

- Ice Piggig Update: Aaron Grogg of GLSWA provided a presentation on the positive results of the Ice Piggig Project. The reduction from 90 PSI to 50 PSI in the force main pressure was among the highlights of the positive results.

Old Business-

- Maintenance Update- The GLSWA July 2025 O/M report was included for Board review. LaPierre and Grogg updated that the SCADA system installation is complete and already leading to improved monitoring of the system and reduction in labor costs. LaPierre also updated that the Lift Station rebuilding projects are on track and should be completed by the 4th. Qtr., 2025.

Financial Review-

- The 2025 Certified Delinquent List was provided for approval. Motioned by Ulsh, seconded by Smith. **Motion Carried.**
- The 2025 CWIEP List and \$500 Fee was provided for approval. Motioned by Smith, seconded by Ulsh. **Motion Carried.**
- The General Operating and Payroll Expenses were presented as of Aug. 15th, 2025. The SCSWA financial reports for July 2025 were presented. Motioned by Ulsh, seconded by Smith to approve the operating and payroll expenses and accept the financials as presented. **Motion carried.**

Closing Comments- David Pawloski, Chairman of the KCRC presented that Board Commissioner Keisha Dickason will resign due to relocation. Pawloski noted that applications for her replacement are still being accepted.

Meeting Adjourned- The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m. Motioned by Smith, seconded by Ulsh to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.**

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sep. 23rd, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. at Pavilion Township.

Submitted for approval on: 7-23, 2025 Approved by: Don Ulsh
Don Ulsh / Secretary