

**Village of Germantown Hills
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Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes

June 2, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Minutes Approval

Chairman Brian Wysocki called the meeting to order at 5:38pm and roll call was taken.

Village President/Trustees	Roll Call	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Brian Wysocki – Chair	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Jeff DeGroot – Village President	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Jim O’Laughlin	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Marty Clinch	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Julia Miller	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		

Also Present:

Rich Brecklin, Superintendent of Public Works
Scott DeSplinter, Village Engineer, Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly (CMT)

a. May 7, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Brian Wysocki questioned the present vote Jim O’Laughlin had made at the May meeting on the December 12, 2013 minutes approval. Jim thought his present vote would go with the majority since he was not at the December meeting but would have voted to abstain if that was the correct way to vote. The Clerk will confirm which is correct.

A motion was made by Jim O’Laughlin to approve the May 7, 2014 sewer committee meeting minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #1.**

2. WWTP No. 1 Status Update

Rich Brecklin updated the committee on the status of the WWTP #1 sewer improvements and noted things are going well. The committee reviewed pictures of the progress at sewer plant #1.

3. Discussion and Recommendation to the Village Board on WWTP No. 1 Change Order #2

Scott DeSplinter reported the change order is not ready but it will be for the village board meeting. Scott explained the change order is for the blower sound enclosure at the plant.

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to recommend to the Village Board the approval of WWTP No. 1 Change Order No. 2 subject to a reasonable bid. The motion was seconded by Brian Wysocki. **Motion passed #2.**

4. Discussion and Recommendation to the Village Board on WWTP No. 1 Change Order #3

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to recommend to the Village Board the approval of WWTP No. 1 Change Order No. 3 for the concrete inside the building in the amount of \$26,802.78. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #3.**

5. Discussion and Recommendation to the Village Board on the approval of the sewer extension along Fandel Road

Rich Brecklin stated the Fandel Farm sewer extension was tabled previously due to the building project not moving forward. Rich received a call from the owner that there is interest now with another buyer to purchase and build on the lots along Fandel Road. Scott DeSplinter stated there is already an engineering agreement in place to do the work on the extension of the sewer along Fandel Road.

A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to recommend to the Village Board on the approval of the sewer extension along Fandel Road to move forward but does not include construction. The motion was seconded by Jeff DeGroot. **Motion passed #4.**

6. Discussion and Recommendation to the Village Board on the delinquent sewer accounts and possible action.

Bill Streeter had put together a list of what the village code presently provides for in handling delinquent accounts. The committee discussed and agreed to the following:

- In certain cases have the attorney send a letter to the residents requesting payment
- Change the village ordinance so that the sewer and garbage bills are in the property owners names for rental properties
- If the residents can't comply with the payment arrangements then the village will start the process of shutting their water off
- If a resident can bring their account current within 30 days we will waive the late fees
- The payment arrangement needs to be at least 20% of the outstanding debt

Rich Brecklin informed the board the village will be receiving an insurance check for over \$31,000 to cover the sewer clean up at plant #1.

7. Adjournment

A motion was made by Jeff DeGroot to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #5.**

Ann Sasso
Village Clerk