

Green Valley Sanitary District

PO Box 1105 □ Rapid City, SD 57709

Phone (605) 484-7237 E-mail gvsd13@gmail.com

Special Public Meeting

May 29, 2024

A public hearing was held by Green Valley Sanitary District at Central States Fairground, Creative Arts Bldg, 800 San Francisco St, RC, SD @ 7:00 PM on May 29, 2024, for the purpose of meeting the requirements of funding awarded by the Board of Water and Natural Resources and USDA Rural Development for a community wastewater collection system. The meeting was called to order by Scott Mohr, Pres. Present were board members Pres. Scott Mohr; VP/Treas, Valerie Lewton; Lorretta Jangula, Sec.; Attorney, Erika Olson of Lynn Jackson Attorneys; Zach Grapentine, Project Engineer with Interstate Engineering, Scott Swenson, Minnesota Pumpworks; Jennifer Sietsema, Black Hills Council of Local Governments; and Will Lind, Dakota Pumps along with approximately 80 Green Valley residents.

Discussion of the project covered the following: 1) Need for the Project, 2) Project Alternatives, 3) Project Details, 4) Proposed Financing, 5) Amount to be borrowed will be \$2,996,000 loan from USDA Rural Development Water and Environmental Programs, 6) Revenue Source pledged for repayment of loan will be a special assessment, 7) Interest Rate and Term will be 2.75% for 40 years, and 8) Impact to users will include a bi-annual assessment for sewer service for everyone in the district resulting in an approximate monthly cost of \$100 per user per month. Questions from the public were taken and answers were provided by Jennifer Sietsema, Exec Dir. Black Hills Council of Local Governments; Zach Grapentine, project engineer with Interstate Engineering; Scott Swenson, Minnesota Pumps; and Will Lind, Dakota Pumps

Zach explained the project, which was originally based on a gravity fed system. Due to Covid 19, costs for the project grew from the original \$9 million to about \$24 million which made the gravity system prohibitive. Based on this increased and prohibitive cost, considerable research was done on a direct boring pressurized system. This alternative, due to direct boring rather than extensive excavation, reduced the project back down to the approximate \$9 million figure.

Jennifer explained the funding of the project including:

- \$237,000 Water Quality Grant
- \$2,000,000 CWFCP Grant
- \$2,763,000 CWSRF Loan (100% Principal forgiveness)
- \$2,996,000 USDA-RD WEP Loan 40yr 2.75% (10% debt reserve required)
- \$2,726,000 USDA-RD WEP Grant
- \$125,000 WDWDD Grant
- \$10,847,000 Total funding secured for project**


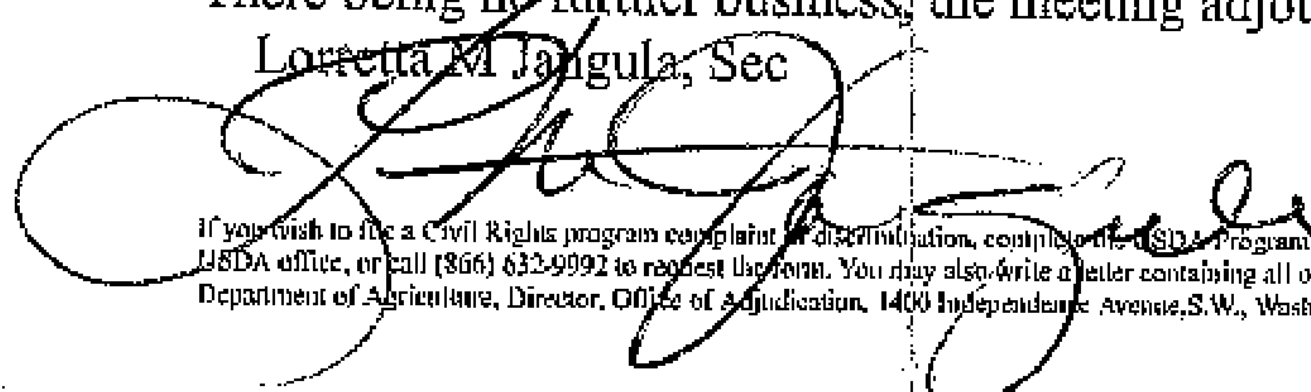
Substantial grants and principal forgiveness have been obligated to the project, leaving \$2,996,000 at 2.75% interest for 40 years to be repaid by the District. Debt service on the loan equates to approximately \$35.50 per month for each users (or \$426 annually), based on 284 users. If there are more users on the system this amount would decrease. * In addition to debt service payments, there would be a monthly sewer service bill of approximately \$60 per residence from Rapid Valley Sanitary District for wastewater to be collected and treated once it leaves the Green Valley Sanitary District system.

Public Comment-17 attendees signed up to comment on the project.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Lorretta M Jangula, Sec

Scott Mohr, Pres



If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint or discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form (PDF), found online at http://www.aces.usda.gov/complaint_cust.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410. By fax (202) 690-7442 or email at program.intake@usda.gov

Green Valley Sanitary District

PO Box 1105 · Rapid City, SD 57709

Phone (605) 484-7237

E-mail gvsd13@gmail.com

**Rapid Valley Water Department Meeting Room
4611 Teak Drive Rapid City, SD 57703**

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Green Valley Sanitary District was called to order at 7:08 pm by President Scott Mohr. Present at the meeting were trustees: Scott Mohr, Pres., Lorretta Jangula, Sec; Valerie Lewton, VP/Treas. and 22 signed in residents of Green Valley.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion by Lorretta, seconded by Val to approve the June 2024 meeting agenda. No further discussion, motion passed.

Motion by Val, seconded by Lorretta to approve the April minutes. No further discussion, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Val presented the bank balances from BHFCU. Balances from the accounts are as follows: Single Pay CD (0515)-\$200,000; GVSD Sewer Savings(60)-0-; GVSD Sewer Checking(20)-\$1589.44; Ult Const Acct(03)-\$91,052.18; Ult Bus Checking(02)-\$11,200.01; Reg Share(01)-\$42.05

Upon presentation, a motion was made by Lorretta to accept the treasurer's report and seconded by Val; no further discussion, motion passed.

Approval of Bills:

Central States Fair/venue rental fee; May 29 Public Mtg	\$ 150.00
Lynn, Jackson Shultz & Lebrun PC, Attorney fees	
Ongoing Legal Issues and advice (Prev Bal)	1500.00
Finance Chg	21.45
Courtesy Discount	(500.00)
Current Current Balance	4996.45
Total of Bills Submitted	\$ 5146.45

A motion by Lorretta and seconded by Scott to approve payment of the bills; no further discussion, motion passed.

Public Comment: Speaker Forms-7 turned in; 3 minute speaking allowance

Considerable conversation followed the public comment.

If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form (PDF), found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_cust.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410. By fax (202) 690-7442 or email at program.intake@usda.gov. complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form (PDF), found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_cust.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410. By fax (202) 690-7442 or email at program.intake@usda.gov.

Old Business:

Rapid City Contract-There is a possibility that GVSD may have to temporarily hook up to the city system at Southside-\$253,000. connection fee to the City We have not heard anything on this as of yet.

Funding Package-We have received a letter of Congratulations from USDA confirming the loan of \$2,996,000. in addition to the various grants.

Current Lot Assessment-There was discussion on assessment of lots without homes; it would be acceptable to put in the pits, but not the pumps as they would deteriorate over time. Currently there are 284 lots with homes on them.

Sewer Project Schedule-We will need to ensure financial underwriting, which will be done by Co-Bank, is complete and a second public meeting that will involve SDDANR and RD to insure that all legal agreements are satisfactory for RD to obligate. Scott has been visiting with Co-Bank on this.

Open Positions-There are two open positions on the Board of Trustees; no nominating petitions were received. If anyone is interested, please let a board member know or be present at the meeting to volunteer for a position.

NEW BUSINESS:

Steve Meyers Request to discuss Interstate Engineering contract-We have been instructed by our legal counsel not to discuss this as it is now a legal matter since he has filed a complaint; discussion will have to go through our legal counsel.


Grant writers are requiring maintenance of grinder pumps to be included with the sewer project and Scott is having discussions on this to figure out a way to self fund the maintenance issue.

Discussion on the two properties on Southside that are hooked up to city sewer. This was done when Nellie was president due to an emergency situation.

There being no further business, a motion by Lorretta and seconded by Val for adjournment, no further discussion and meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm

Respectfully Submitted,


Lorretta Jangula, Sec


Scott Mohr, Pres