

**LAKE METIGOSHE RECREATION SERVICE DISTRICT**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Service District Building**  
**June 1, 2023**

Bryan Schweitzer called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM

**Directors Present:** Valerie Zwak, Kathy Garbe, Bryan Schweitzer, Allen Boettcher, Randy Conway (remote), Mike Nehring, Jill Watson, Mike McIntee, Verdell Lund

**Directors Absent:**

**Others present:** Mike Hall, Chad Strand, Bill Hartl (remote)

**Lift Station D financing:** Bill Hartl

- Per state statute, a political subdivision falls under Chapter 21-13-03 of the ND Century Code regarding loan limits and loan terms from banks. Borrowing from a bank cannot exceed \$500,000 and must be paid back in 5 years or less.
- Use of a Certificate of Indebtedness also cannot be used.
- Bill Hartl had communications with attorney Howard Swanson of Grand Forks, John Shockley of Fargo and Scott Wegner of Bismarck.
- Findings: The project needs to be funded through bond issuance and creation of a special assessment district. This can be done through a general assessment of all property owners as opposed to the specific area geographically affected most by the project. Because the project is for sewer/water, it benefits all property owners, and the special assessment district creation cannot be protested. No publication or taxpayer input is required for creation of the assessment district. Estimated legal cost of the assessment district would be around \$6500.
- Borrowing can then still be placed with a local bank and the special assessment bond/warrant would be exchanged with the bank.
- Mike Nehring made a motion to suspend the project in light of these new findings about financing protocols. Valerie Zwak seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 1:12 PM



Chad Strand,  
Secretary/Treasurer