

**REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
LOCKPORT HEIGHTS SANITARY DISTRICT
MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM
16611 W. 147th PL. LOCKPORT, IL 60441
ON
January 26, 2026**

The regular Trustees meeting opened at 5:22 p.m. with Trustee Jim Gorecki. Present, in person were Trustees Jim Gorecki and Dan Motes. Trustee Jim Kuzma, District Attorney Scott Dillner and District engineer Caleb Apker via Zoom. No other public in attendance in person or via zoom and no emails from the public.

Public Hearing: None.

Motion by Dan Motes to approve December 14, 2025, meeting minutes as presented second by Jim Gorecki. Voice votes all in favor of motion approved by a vote of two ayes and one abstain.

Treasurer's Report –

JANUARY 23 2026				
	ENDING December 2025 STATEMENT			
	US BANK CHECKING 3321 12/31/2025	\$	8,677.71	
	US BANK SAVINGS ACCT 6326 12/31/2025	\$	234,148.72	
	ILL FUNDS 0658 12/31/2025	\$	99,375.23	
	FINAL BALANCE	\$	342,201.66	
	FUND TRANSFERS	OUT	IN	
	US BANK CHK3321			
	US BANK SAVINGS ACCT 6326			
	ILL FUNDS 0658			
	1/23/2026			
	US BANK CHK	\$	7,275.85	
	US BANK SAVINGS ACCT 6326	\$	250,699.76	
	ILL FUNDS 0658	\$	99,375.23	
	TOTAL	\$	357,350.84	
	JANUARY BILLS		\$7,477.98	

Motion by Jim Gorecki to approve the January 26, 2026, treasurer's report as presented second by Dan Motes. Roll call vote Jim Kuzma – Abstain, Dan Motes – yes, Jim Gorecki – yes motion approved by a vote of two ayes and one abstain.

Bills for the District –

	Trustee salary for January	\$350.00	
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	ComEd	\$64.81	
	JK Consulting Invoice #96295	\$86.00	
	Gassensmith and Michalesko, Ltd invoice #27653	\$5,250.00	
	US Bank credit card bill (total bill from Dec)	\$732.84	
	City of Lockport water bill	\$29.00	
	Federal Taxes	\$205.00	
	Illinois Taxes	\$60.33	
	TOTAL BILLS FOR January 2026	\$7,477.98	
	Credit Card Breakdown		
	Comcast internet bill for December	\$262.86	
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	Comcast Cell phone bill for January	\$23.61	
	Zoom	\$159.90	
	Total Charges	\$732.84	

Motion by Jim Gorecki to pay the January 26, 2026, bills as presented second by Dan Motes, roll call vote, Dan Motes - yes, Jim Kuzma – abstain, Jim Gorecki – yes. Motion approved by a vote of two ayes and one abstain.

Old Business:

Engineering update – Sewer main investigation work – Smoke Testing Update - Caleb presented to the board the findings and recommendations of the report. There were fifty-six defects found a majority were at private residences, mostly clean outs of service lines having missing or broken caps. Also, three manhole covers need replacing. Discussion held regarding what action to be taken for repairs. Caleb will present to the board a list of addresses and what action needs attention as well as the location of the three manhole covers to be replaced. Once this working document is given to the board a plumber or other contractor to be hired to complete these infiltration defects to the sewer system. Caleb indicated that fixing these minor problems will cost approximately \$10,000 and reduce 20 percent of infiltration to the system. One resident at 14656 S 135th Avenue was identified as having a sump pump tied directly into the sewer system our district attorney will send a letter to resident notifying of the violation and to take action to disconnect the sump pump from the sewer system. Motion by Jim Gorecki to have Caleb proceed with the repairs as indicated in the smoke report second by Dan Motes, voice vote, motion approved by a vote of two ayes and one abstain. Jim Gorecki wants to televise 145th, 146th and 147th streets later to see if there are more separations of pipe as indicated in the smoke report. Discussion held on replacing 12-inch water main from the well house on Rickerman to the rear of well house property south of 147th Place. Caleb estimated this project to be \$200,000.

New customer request water service for 14552 Archer Ave. – No further feed back from owner since notified of cost to do work.

IGA – No meeting date set.

147th well house update – Jim Gorecki emailed Will County on the shed placed as surplus property and to be sold. Jim also advised that a water filter broke and flooded the floor of the building causing damage to the base board trim.

Gassensmith & Michalesko Audit – Dan Motes advised audit is done no issues addressed by auditor. The audit will be signed and returned to auditor. The AFR is also complete.

City of Lockport treatment plant property sale – Scott Dillner will prepare proper resolution to the Board so final transfer can be taken and a deed by a title company can be procured.

New business and communications:

District Attorney Mike Marovich retirement gift – Action Item – Motion by Jim Gorecki to provide a retirement bonus from the District second by Dan Motes voice vote, motion approved by a vote of two ayes and one abstain.

Possible action item to replace technology – Discussion held concerning replacing Jim Gorecki and Dan Motes tablets. Jim advised he is looking at replacing tablets with used laptops from JK Computers. No action taken item tabled.

Possible action item – amend the 2025-2026 Budget and Appropriations Ordinance – Discussion held due to replacement of broken laptop and replacement of tablets. Motion by Dan Motes to transfer \$2,000 from the capital improvement water fund to the technology fund second by Jim Gorecki. Roll call vote, Dan Motes – yes, Jim Kuzma -abstain, Jim Gorecki – yes motion approved by a vote of two ayes and one abstain.

The Will County Clerk notified Jim Gorecki to verify the current Trustees so they will get email to file the 2026 Economic Interest Statement.

Public Comments – None submitted, no email requests and no public in person or via Zoom.

Adjournment - Motion by Jim Gorecki to adjourn second by Dan Motes voice vote motion approved by a vote of two ayes and one abstain. Adjournment at 6:36 pm.

**James Kuzma
LHSD Secretary**