

# TOWN OF FARMINGTON MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING  
August 20, 2024  
6:00pm  
FARMINGTON TOWN HALL  
N8309 County Road C, Mindoro WI, 54644

Attendees: Mike Hesse, Paul Lash  
Minutes Prepared By: Crystal Sbraggia

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mike Hesse called the special Town Board Meeting to order at 6:00pm.

## **PUBLIC CONCERNS:**

Cindy Storandt and Mitch Fenske shared that the Sanitary District Well #2 failed earlier this month and required an emergency replacement purchase in the amount of \$15,954. The 2010 well had reached its life expectancy of 5-10 years. Bids were collected from several vendors and CTW Wells and Pumps, the original installers of the 2010 pump, proved the lowest cost and quickest turnaround.

Cindy explained that several unexpected purchases and preliminary payments for the Main Lift Station project, that will eventually be reimbursed through grant monies, have interrupted cash flow for the Sanitary District. She requested that the board consider increasing the existing SD First Nation Bank Loan by \$32,000 to cover the Well repairs and the second \$15,600 payment of the sludge reduction project, in order to alleviate the crunch on useable funds. This additional loan amount will simply extend the loan for 6 – 8 months. Interest rates and monthly payment amounts will remain the same.

**Mmsp: Lash / Hesse:** Motion to borrow an additional \$32,000 and extend the existing SD First National Loan by 6 – 8 months. **Passed 2/0/0**

Discussion took place regarding possible causes for the well failure and the potential rebuild of the pump and motor to be used as standby replacements. Fenske will follow up with CTW for details regarding those two questions. Depending on the cause, Hesse believes that the Xcel brown out earlier this summer could have played a role in the failure.

Fenske alerted the board that the Main Lifts Station replacement timeline has been stalled and the project will likely be pushed back to 2025.

**Mmsp: Lash / Hesse:** Motion to adjourn at 6:15pm.