

LAKES AREA SEWER AUTHORITY

Minutes—March 24, 2008

The Lakes Area Sewer Authority held its regular meeting on March 24, 2008, at 7:00 pm, at the Porter Township Hall.

Commissioners Present: Bitely, Boshoven, Grib, Oxley, Melko, Laski, Elsey.

Commissioners Absent: None

Public Comment: None

Motion by Bitely, Support by Boshoven to approve the Agenda as presented, all Ayes—motion passed.

Motion by Bitely, Support by Oxley to approve and place on file the minutes of the Authority Meeting of February 25, 2008, as e-mailed, all Ayes—motion passed.

It was reported to the Authority that at their February 26 meeting, the Van Buren Board of Commissioners approved allowing Cass County take the lead in managing and financing the sewer project. On March 6, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved taking on the project for the Authority. The Cass County Board of Public Works will now submit the formal application to Rural Development.

Alan Smaka reported on the status of the project and reviewed the various sites being considered for locating the treatment facility. Environmental studies are still in process for those sites. Specifications of the proposed system were also reviewed with the Authority. Once the Letter of Conditions is received from the USDA, the project will proceed very quickly.

Jim White, Bond Counsel, will provide a draft of the Bond Contract for next meeting. Alan Smaka, in response to questions by members of the Authority, will prepare electrical cost and usage estimates so that wind and solar energy sources can more accurately be explored.

Public Comment: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.
Next meeting—April 28, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
John A. Grib
Authority Secretary