

## **Livingston County**

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**Board of Public Works** 

Livingston County, Michigan

**RESOLUTION No. 2020-**

#### **APPROVED:**

# Resolution Requesting the Addition of a Sixth Operator in the Form of a Technical Specialist to the Sanitary Sewer Operations Team

At a meeting of the Department of Public Works of the County of Livingston (the "LCDPW") held via Zoom on December 3, 2020, at 8:00 a.m., there were

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following preamble and resolution were offered by and supported by

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works has authority over the Livingston County Department of Public Works under Act 185 of 1957; and

WHEREAS, Livingston County, through its Department of Public Works (DPW), owns and operates the Livingston Regional Sanitary Sewer System (LRSS) and the Livingston County Septage Receiving Station (SRS), in addition to 9 sanitary sewer drains under the authority of the Drain Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the current sanitary sewer operations structure includes five full time operators consisting of one Sanitary Facilities Superintendent and four Sanitary Facilities Operators who perform operation and maintenance on 10 wastewater systems and a septage receiving station spread throughout Livingston County; and

**WHEREAS,** the SRS was originally intended to receive 12 million gallons of septage annually, and is projected to exceed 35 million gallons this year with roughly the same staffing contingent it had at its opening in 2007; and

**WHEREAS,** an entirely new press facility (5,800 sq ft) has been constructed and is projected to commence operations by December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a revised asset management plan has been prepared for the LRSS that identifies capital improvement projects and preventative maintenance required over the next ten years beginning in 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the current staff structure will not be adequate to successfully and safely take on both the additional responsibilities of the new press facility and the asset management plan; and

- **WHEREAS,** the DPW has assessed the operational needs of the department and determined that the greatest area of need is in the area of technical support, in addition to providing backup for current wastewater operations, and;
- WHEREAS, The DPW desires to add a new Technical Specialist to the sanitary operations team that will contribute to operations while also bringing a new skill-set to the team through knowledge and experience related to graphical control interfaces, software administration, geospatial data management, and system diagnostics; and
- **WHEREAS**, the entirety of the costs of this position incurred by Livingston County are reimbursed in full by the DPW enterprise funds of the SRS and Livingston Regional Sewer System, as well as 9 sanitary sewer drainage districts.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Public Works recommends the addition of a Technical Specialist position to the sanitary operations team to bring the staffing up to six full time operators.

A vote on the foregoing resolution was taken and was as follows:

Roll Call Vote: AYES:

NAYES: ABSENT:

### **CERTIFICATION**

### THE RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED

I certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Livingston County Department of Public Works and that notice of such meeting was given and such meeting was held in compliance with Act No. 267, Michigan Public Acts of 1976, as amended, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Livingston County Board of Public Works on December 3, 2020.