



Sewer and Water Commission Meeting Minutes

Union Grove Municipal Center 925 15th Avenue

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

1. Call to Order

Mike McKinney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call – Quorum present

Commission Members	Staff Present
<i>Doug Nelson, Chair – Absent</i>	<i>Michael McKinney, Administrator</i>
<i>Aaron Alby – Present</i>	<i>Janine Carls, Clerk</i>
<i>Leo DeBrabander – Present</i>	<i>Nick Carriker, Public Works Manager</i>
<i>Dan Maurice – Present</i>	<i>Gary Hanson</i>
<i>Steve Nelson – Present</i>	

3. Appointment of a temporary Sewer and Water Commission chairperson

Motion (Maurice, DeBrabander) to appoint Steve Nelson as temporary chairperson, MC.

4. Consent Agenda Approval - Any item listed on the consent agenda for approval may be removed at the request of any member of the Commission. The request requires no second, is not discussed, and is not voted upon.

- June 16, 2026, Sewer and Water Commission meeting minutes
- Sewer Utility District financial reports
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Motion (Maurice, Alby) to approve the Consent Agenda with the updated invoice list provided, MC.

5. Business - Discussion and possible action on the following:

- Water tower tank repainting and miscellaneous repair proposal

Discussed the proposal submitted by Smith Group for project management in the amount of \$88,970.00. Carriker complimented professionalism and report detail. Commission members discussed whether this project should be requoted to include both the interior and exterior painting and also expressed concerns about budget shortfall for this expense. The actual project cost for interior painting will likely be over \$500,000.00. Discussed seeking grants and/or low interest loans. Carriker also noted that Yorkville irrigation rates are very low and if raised may help boost revenue. Hanson noted that it would be best to get bids this fall if possible.

Motion (Maurice, Alby) to table this item until Carriker has an updated proposal covering both interior and exterior painting, MC.

- J. Miller Electric, Inc. pay request # 5 for the Yorkville Sewer Utility District No. 1 lift station upgrade project

McKinney stated that the amount of this request is \$2,600.00. Approximately \$16,000.00 remains in retainage for this project.

Motion (Alby, DeBrabander) to approve pay request #5 for J. Miller Electric, in the amount of \$2,600.00, MC.

- c. Daniels Sharpsmart, Inc. wastewater test results

Carriker stated that PH and Chloride levels remain out of compliance but noted that Daniels is working with an engineer to find solutions. No action taken, informational only.

- d. Status of T-Mobile cellular equipment shelter at water tower site

Carriker asked commissioners if there was any interest in keeping a small equipment shelter T-Mobile had used on the site or if it should be removed as part of the decommissioning of related cellular equipment. He noted that it was not needed and may be more liability than asset.

Motion (Alby, DeBrabander) to have them remove the building if the lease agreement requires them to do so, MC.

Motion (Alby, Maurice) to add to the last motion that if it is in accordance with the lease agreement, the building and ALL related infrastructure should be removed and the site restored, MC.

6. Reports

- a. Engineer's Report – No report

- b. Public Works Manager's Report – *Nick Carriker*

Working on annual sampling. Trying to get the lead and copper samples done.

- c. Administrator's Report – *Mike McKinney*

McKinney noted that he had received calls expressing interest in developing the Borzynski parcel for a 300,000 square foot manufacturing facility. Asking about timelines and applications.

7. Public Comments, Questions and Suggestions - none

8. Adjournment

Motion (Maurice, Alby) to adjourn at 6:45 p.m., MC.

Respectfully submitted,
Janine Carls, Clerk

Sewer and Water Commission Meetings are normally held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.