



**MINUTES  
APRIL 15, 2026  
FSD MEETING**

Present: Dan Vanden Berg, Sam Van Handel, Eugene Klister

Others Present: Terri Romitti, FSD; Dean Zanon, Cedar Corporation

Meeting called to order at 6:30 a.m. at the Freedom Sanitary District Office.

Verification of posting as indicated on the bottom of the agenda.

Motion by Eugene Klister to adopt the agenda. Second by Sam Van Handel. Motion Carried (3-0).

Open Floor Session – None

Motion by Dan Vanden Berg to approve vouchers 20822– 20884 for a total of \$80,314.01. Void Cks 20846-20871 due to printing error. (Water \$37,014.78 and Sewer \$43,299.23) Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (3-0).

Motion by Sam Van Handel to approve the March 3, 2026 minutes. Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (3-0)

Reviewed bids on the water treatment facility improvements – Contract D-25. Three bids were received on April 7, 2026. The three bids were:

- August Winters & Sons, Inc - \$1,135,300
- Mid City Corporation - \$1,202,000
- Rohde Brothers, Inc. - \$1,244,900

The bids received were within budget.

Motion by Eugene Klister to approve Contract D-25 to August Winters and Sons, Inc in the amount of \$1,135,300. Second by Sam Van Handel. Motion Carried (3-0).

Update on Well Site #3 & Wellhouse project. The town will have action on the CSM on their meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. After that we can proceed with the purchase of the property. Both projects out for bid with bid opening occurring on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Dean asked if Commission could meet on May 1<sup>st</sup> to review those bids for award. That will allow time to get documents in order for funding.

Reviewed bids on Contract B-26 WWTP – TSS Upgrades. Bids were received on April 9, 2026. Three Bids were received. All significantly over budgeted / estimated amounts. Commissioners asked Cedar to review the amounts and will discuss further on May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. Currently with the amount that is Bid Sewer rates would need to increase approximately 15%. No Action on Contract. Three Bids Are:

- CD Smith Construction - \$11,559,112
- Miron Construction - \$11,644,267
- Lunda Construction - \$14,362,442

Update on Hwy 55 LS Pump – Pump has been ordered from LW Allen. 6-8 week lead time on that.

Reviewed quote for back-up pump. This is the pump that is temporarily installed in Hwy 55.

Motion by Dan Vanden Berg to keep the pump that is currently installed in Hwy 55 as a temporary pump that can be used in other lift stations for \$6,500. Second by Sam Van Handel. Motion Carried (3-0).

Review and possible action on contract with Badger State Waste – Tabled

Reviewed the agreement with the Town of Freedom for the TID incentive.

Motion by Eugene Klister to approve the TID Incentive agreement with the Town of Freedom. Second by Sam Van Handel. Motion Carried (3-0).

Update on Future Developments. Bill Van Camp is looking at developing his property. He is working with Jay Midbon on servicing that area.

Reviewed developers agreement with KG Futures Group and Town of Freedom.

Motion by Sam Van Handel to approve the developers agreement with KG Futures Group and Town of Freedom contingent upon the Town approval. Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (3-0).

Reviewed developers agreement with Chad and Mark Properties and Town of Freedom for Country Fields Development.

Motion by Sam Van Handel to approve the developers agreement with Chad and Mark Properties and Town of Freedom contingent upon the Town approval. Second by Eugene Klister. Motion Carried (3-0).

Update on progress of BelGioioso and future needs. They need a small extension to get to their property and to the new building. Cedar is working on sewer service amendment. There are items at the Town and County level that need to be completed.

Review Willer property and need for connection. Cedar will update the costs to get service up Westwind to the Willer property.

Update and possible action on ordinance change for private well inspections being needed per code – no action.

Engineers Report – Nothing Additional.

Closed session was tabled.

Other Business Before the Board

- Reviewed the Freedom Area School District High School bill. There was a leak in the HS concession stand area. The water that was leaked entered the sewer system therefore there is no adjustment that can be made.
- Reviewed the quote from PJ Kortens to update the WIN 911 alarm system. Currently out of date and is not working. With the system we have, no other option. Commissioners agreed to move forward.

Motion by Eugene Klister to adjourn. Second by Sam Van Handel. Motion Carried (3-0).

Adjourned at 8:05 a.m.

**APPROVED BY COMMISSION 5/6/2026**