

Madison County Government
SPECIAL SERVICE AREA #1
301 E. Chain of Rocks Rd.
Granite City, IL 62040

Committee Meeting
April 6, 2026

Denise Wiehardt, Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Meyer, Nick Petrillo, John Janek, Fred Schulte and Jason Palmero

OTHER PRESENT: Brian Nottrott, Mike Davis, Lori Rujawitz, Kevin Babb, Dave Tanzyus
(see attached list)

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by John Janek, second by Jason Palmero. The minutes stand as written.

Purchase Approvals:

The Bill List for March 2026 was approved with a motion made by John Janek, second by Fred Schulte. A roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: B. Meyer, J. Janek, F. Schulte, J. Palmero and D. Wiehardt

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Balance Sheet and Income Statement for February 2026 was approved with a motion made by John Janek, second by Fred Schulte. A roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES: B. Meyer, J. Janek, F. Schulte, J. Palmero and D. Wiehardt

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Purchase Resolution:

Bids were advertised and received for 24 months of Grass Cutting and Snow Removal and Lienemann Outdoor Services was low bidder in the amount of \$32,400.00. A motion was made by John Janek to Purchase, second by Nick Petrillo. A roll call vote of the motion was as follows:

AYES: B. Meyer, J. Janek, F. Schulte, J. Palmero and D. Wiehardt

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Engineer's Report:

On file

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Dave Tanzyus, County Administrator spoke regarding the offer received from Illinois American Water to purchase SSA.

- The offer Received is 35.5 million dollars and does not include the cash assets that SSA currently have.
- This purchase must pass County Board approval.
- If it passes County Board the process takes about 12-14 months after approval from the County Board before the transition is complete.
- The agreement that Illinois American Water sent over would be to ask the Illinois Commerce Commission for a \$19.66 per month increase per user. That is something that with reserves the county could look at helping in some way, how that would be structured is uncertain right now. There is an interest and dollars to help in that transition.
- Should the County Board vote against the sale of SSA the rates will increase January 3031 because of the Granite City (ILAW) contract expiring. Either way there will be an adjustment in rates in the future.
- Additionally, the county subsidizes SSA for services; HR Department, Liability Exposure, Insurance, Worker's Comp claims, etc. and the County is looking at everything in all aspects.
- The County really isn't good at running sewer districts so there are lots of things we aren't set up to do.
- The County is never going to get good training because we're not a sewer district all the time.
- We must get rid of the subsidies.
- This may go before the County Board in April for a vote but more likely in May.

Public Comment:

Discussion continued with questions from several in attendance.

A motion was made to adjourn by John Janek, second by Fred Schulte. **MOTION CARRIED**