Shawneeland Sanitary District Advisory Committee (SSDAC)

Minutes of May 5th, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance

Kevin Alderman – Sanitary District Manager

Gary Bailey – SSDAC member

Ken Baker – SSDAC member

Jason Croasdale – SSDAC member

Micah Jacobs-SSDAC member

Rhonda Sargent – SSDAC member

Tonya Sibert – Frederick County Commissioner of the Revenue (Guest Speaker)

Joe Wilder - Director of Public Works.

Absent

John Jewell – Back Creek District Supervisor

Discussions

Jason moved to approve the February 3, 2025 meeting minutes, seconded by Rhonda, and unanimously approved by the committee.

Rhonda moved to add the manager's report to the record, which was seconded by Jason and approved unanimously by the committee.

Commissioner of the Revenue, Tonya Sibert presented what her department does and took a few questions from the residents.

Dakota's Dream, Alicia presented what Dakota's Dream Animal Rescue does and took many comments from the residents.

Alicia initially requested the use of the Shawneeland Office for a veterinary clinic. Ken proposed an alternative location—the fire hall—and reached out to the Fire Chief to discuss the possibility. The Chief explained that while hall facilities are generally not available for outside use, exceptions may be considered. He forwarded the request to the President of the Fire Hall for further review. Despite multiple follow-up attempts, we have yet to receive a final response. **Residents attending the meeting:** 7

Public Comments:

Lisa Croasdale requested "Honk, Blind Hill" signs at various locations around Shawneeland. Ken suggested yellow lines instead. The Maintenance Department has painted yellow lines on the blind hills in Shawneeland.

Micah moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Rhonda, and unanimously approved by the committee.

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Fishing Derby:

The annual fishing derby is scheduled to take place on Saturday, May 10th from 8am to 10am. Registration for ages 2-18 years begins at 7:30am under the shelter at the ponds. Hot dogs and water will be provided. Prizes will be awarded to participants that qualify.

Each pond will be stocked with 100 rainbow trout, 6 golden trout, and 4 bruder trout. The ponds will be closed to fishing on Friday, May 9th. Once the trout has been stocked, signs will be posted at each pond stating NO FISHING.

There will also be 200 trout stocked in Cherokee Lake on May 9th as well. The lake will remain open for fishing throughout.

Pipe Replacement:

The staff has been hard at work replacing and upgrading drainage culverts over the past few months as the weather allows. Most of the culverts that are being replaced are on trails that are scheduled for the tar & chip program which will take place in June. To this point 505 feet of culverts have been replaced and upgraded.

The staff will be replacing and upgrading culverts on trails that are not scheduled for the tar & chip program as well.

Asphalt Patching:

Once all the culverts that are scheduled for replacement have been installed, asphalt patching will begin on the trails that are scheduled for tar & chip. Once those trails are complete, we will expand the patching to all the trails that need patching. This task will last throughout the summer months.

Beach Season:

Beach season at Cherokee Lake is approaching. We will begin testing the water in the beach area of the lake on May 12th in anticipation of the beginning of the swimming season. Testing of the water in the beach area will continue as long as the beach is open for swimming.

The staff will add sand, groom the beach, and have it ready to open the afternoon of May 22nd. The Port-a-potties will be in place and ready for use on the 22nd.