

Regular Meeting of the Bear Creek Public Utilities June 8, 2026

Village President Dan Miller called the Public Utilities meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Commissioner's present were Dominic Shaw, Alissa Thebo, Chuck Jablonski, Mike Young, and Judy Jahnke.

A motion was made by Alissa and seconded by Mike to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes from the 5/11/26 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Chuck to approve the minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

After review, Chuck motioned and Alissa seconded to approve the monthly voucher report. All in favor, motion carried.

The Financial Reports for Water and Sewer were reviewed by the commissioners.

The Water and Sewer monthly report was presented by Mike in MCO's absence.

A motion was made by Alissa and seconded by Chuck to table increasing sewer rates until next month when we hear from McMahons. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Alissa to approve Resolution 6.8.26a for the 2025 CMAR report. All in favor, motion carried.

No public Input

Future Agenda Items: Increasing sewer rates, Facilities Plan discussion.

Next Village Utility Meeting is Monday July 13th 2026 at 7:00pm

Motion made by Alissa and seconded by Mike to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Janke- Clerk/Treasurer

July 13, 2026

WATER DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY BILLS

WE Energies Well Pump	
MCO	\$4,310.03
WE Energies Water Tower	\$148.11
Equip. Maint. Fund	\$3,000.00

Contract
Water Tower

Bills for Payment

Hawkins	\$247.33
Badger Meters	\$80.74
Badger Laboratories	\$80.00
Midwest Meters	\$25.06
	\$7,891.27

vertex CSS & freight
Contract
Testing
1" Rubber gasket

SEWER DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY BILLS

WE Energies	\$1,155.67
US CELLULAR	\$53.54
MCO	\$2,873.36
Equip. Replacement Fund	\$679.16

County Road D
WWTP Dialer
Contract

Bills for Payment

Premier Community	\$4,338.67
Bear Creek Public Utilities	\$194.08
GFL Environmental	\$251.81
McMahon & Associates	\$2,750.00
	\$12,296.29

Loan Payment
County Road D
WWTP Dumpster
WWTP Facilities Plan

FINANCIAL REPORT

Water checking 415,491.97
Water Project Fund - 0467 373,706.29

TOTAL \$789,198.26

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sewer checking -158,161.73
Equip. Replacement - 0643 133,978.27

TOTAL -\$24,183.46

Bear Creek Facility Plan Update

From Ethan Lang <ELang@mcmgrp.com>
Date Thu 7/9/2026 12:51 PM
To Ashley Janke <clerk@villageofbearcreek.wi.gov>
Cc Anthony Kappell <AKappell@mcmgrp.com>

Ashley,

A few notes for next Monday's Village Board Meeting:

The Wastewater Treatment Facility Planning Report has been updated. We primarily revised some of the costs presented in Chapter 7 and updated our Recommendations in Chapter 9. As discussed during the Village's May board meeting, we are now recommending that the Village implement a phased improvements approach to address the needs on an as-needed basis. Since the DNR is not currently requiring the Village to do anything, the timeline for conducting a Phase 1 improvements project is flexible.

- At a minimum, we would recommend including the replacement of the following items in a Phase 1 improvements project:
 - Influent force main, valves, and flow meter.
 - Compact plant tankage and walkways.
 - Aeration and digester diffusers, manifolds, and drop legs.
 - Clarifier mechanism, scum beach, and effluent trough.
 - Plant controls, SCADA, and telemetry.
- The Opinion of Probable Capital Cost associated with these proposed Phase 1 improvements is approximately \$2,400,000.
 - Assuming the Village seeks a State Fiscal Year 2028 CWFP loan and receives a reduced, subsidized interest rate of 2.365% for a 20-year loan results in an annual estimated debt service of \$151,997.
 - The debt service alone would result in a 'typical' sewer customer seeing an increase of \$80/month in their sewer bill (estimate).
 - To cover the Village's current annual sewer utility deficit of \$49,787, rates would need to increase by another \$26/month (estimate).
 - A formal rates study would be recommended.
 - Additionally, if the Village were to seek a CWFP loan, their Equipment Replacement Fund (ERF) would be reviewed, and would need to meet DNR requirements.
 - In other words, the Village would be required to increase their ERF balance to an estimated \$400,000 (40% of \$1,000,000) within 3 years of the loan closing.

As of June 8, 2026, the Village had approximately \$133,000 in their ERF. Potential ERF uses could include replacement of the influent pumps, base elbows, slide rails, replacement of the influent flow meter, and/or replacement of the digested sludge pump.

It should also be noted that regionalization with New London remains the most cost-effective long-term solution for the Village, assuming: 1) New London were to allow a direction connection in the future, and 2) the DNR continues to offer extra/priority principal forgiveness for regionalization projects in the future. Therefore, it is recommended that the Village continue discussions with New London to see if they'd be willing to allow a direct connection from the Village in the future.

Thank you,

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Water & Wastewater Engineer



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Bear Creek, Hydrant Replacement, 2026

<i>Item No</i>	<i>Name of Item</i>	<i>Approx. Qty</i>	<i>Price per foot</i>	<i>Total Price</i>
1	Hydrant 21	1 ea	\$9,635.00	\$9,635.00
2	Hydrant 39	1 ea	\$9,730.00	\$9,730.00
3	Hydrant 47	1 ea	\$10,030.00	\$10,030.00
4	Hydrant 34	1 ea	\$9,730.00	\$9,730.00
5	Replace Curb stop & box	1 ea	\$3,785.00	\$3,785.00
6	Add 6" hydrant valve	4 ea	\$2,600.00	\$10,400.00
7	sidewalk & curb replacement	1 ls	\$2,950.00	\$2,950.00
Total Cost of Bid:				\$56,260.00

Bid Note:

Price quote to remove and replace 4 existing fire hydrants.
Quote is a budget price and may be subject to pricing adjustment based on conditions or any modifications to the water main/hydrant lead needed.
Hydrant 21 does not include any asphalt restoration. Immel will attempt to replace the hydrant without any asphalt removal but can not guarantee ground conditions will allow a portion of the asphalt to remain.
Optional item to add a 6" hydrant valve to the hydrants.
Turf restoration included with the hydrants.
Curb stop & box quoted to replace the curb stop shutoff, if the shutoff appears in good working condition Immel will just replace the curb box.
Sidewalk and curb replacement for the curb box repair included.
No permits included.
Water shut off and coordinating by others. Quote does not include any temporary water.

Thank you for the opportunity to quote this project. Tim Sambs

If estimate is accepted please sign, date, and send back one copy.

SIGN _____ DATE _____