

Grand Isle Consolidated Water District Monthly Meeting Minutes October 21, 2026, called to order at 6:32 PM

Present were Water Commissioners Rick Kohler, Bill Ryan, Michael Inners, Janine Banks, David Banks and Matthew Brooks, SOS Operators Warren Steadman, Joe Danis, Aldrich and Elliott PE & President Jason Booth and Guest Michael Miller.

Additions to the Agenda

1. New Business - Notice of Alleged Violation from State
2. Treasurer's Report - IRS notice

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

Bill motioned to approve, Rick seconded and all were in favor.

Questions from Members

1. Jessica Hill emailed Janine: Joe went through her concerns with us. He does not have any concerns about capacity in that area as 2" lines in other areas have many more connections. We do not own the lines down there, but new connections must get approval from us. Joe called her and left a message. It is a private line and we suggest she contact the installer or owner.

Operator's Report

1. Bullis Farm Project – Joe approved the digester plans. Meter pit is at the road and backflow preventer is in the building. Jason concurred. No joints crossing pressurized manure lines. We added these stipulations to the connection agreement.
2. Large Users. We have a dozen or so. Reasons vary and Joe suggested revisiting how we bill them. Tabled to Jan meeting.
3. Chemicals – Our coagulant is no longer carried by our supplier. We tested a couple others (jar & live tests). Ray Solomon told them we need our current one. Awaiting answer from supplier.

Engineer's Report

1. Pipeline Replacement Project – April start. Courtland is not able to start this fall yet and it was decided we will wait till April.
2. State Copper Survey - State put together a new spreadsheet and migrated all our info over. Original survey required ID on water main side and owner side into building. Now they want confirmation of material between the two (service line). Go to link in email to find our new spreadsheet. Look at data and see if anything jumps out. Correct as needed and submit to state.

Treasurer's Report – MI showed budget sheets. All looking on track. Propane is going to be significantly over, meters ordered, and all else is pretty much on track for $\frac{3}{4}$ thru year.

1. Audits – Adjusting edits have been sent back so official report should come shortly.
2. Bill-pay through Website – Michael has a training session Friday to set it up. Will work with Crystal first and then add the website. Should be all set by Dec. bills.
3. IRS notice – Notice rec'd 6 months ago re: unfiled 2016, 2018 and 2015, W2s. We have no evidence we submitted them so only some of interest was forgiven. Bill is \$4784.08. MI motioned to pay \$4784.08, Bill seconded and all were in favor. 2019 on has been confirmed with IRS as received. (2025 was submitted electronically)

IT Committee Report – NTR.

1. Joe gave update on Hallum. New computer is up and running but a couple columns in spreadsheet do not print out correctly in a report so will use remaining \$1600 that was approved to get that fixed.

Old Business

1. Capital Plan – Rick has feedback from Ashley and will meet again this week with her. Creating a framework. Asset mgmt. plan needs to be updated. GME wrote our old one, but Joe does not like the complicated, not helpful AMP process. Rick will find a middle road to produce a useful Cap plan. Hopes to be able to share the draft plan at the November meeting.
2. Open Commissioner position and Open Clerk position mentioned.

New Business

1. Large User Rate Setting review for 2027 - Janine, Michael and Rick will get together in January with Joe and review our process.
2. Notice of Alleged Violation from State – Jason says a letter must go out annually from GICWD to members with lead, galvanized or unknown lines/connections. We sent the original letters but did not realize it was an annual requirement. Jason will send the list of affected members and Joe will take care of this and will send annually going forward.
3. Bill Ryan: David Carter (So Hero, retired attorney) approached Bill about GICWD supplying So Hero (SH) with water. Run a line from our plant, down 314 & connect at St. Rose, possibly. SH FD4 has engineering study for 26 units going in. Looking at 100 connections. Joe believes SH does not want to upgrade their system but wants someone to build one or get taxpayer money to add filters to their system. Have capacity & flow issues, friction loss and pressure issues. Discussion ensued. If we run from West Shore Rd. to Island Beverage, an 8" pipe, demand would change our DBP plan, and their system does not meet our standards. Bill mentioned maybe they just want to buy water from us. Would have to spend 2 mil just to get down to Island Bev. GICWD would be open to selling them water as it could be beneficial to us as well, but it would be cheaper for them to just add new filters. Bill will get back to David Carter.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29pm with Bill motioning, Rick seconding and all in favor.

GRAND ISLE CONSOLIDATED WATER DISTRICT MONTHLY REPORT

October 2026

1. Two samples were taken for coliform testing. Both samples were "absent". Monthly backwash data was taken and the monthly report sent to the Watershed Management Division. The monthly Water Operations report was sent to the Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division.
2. Third quarter meter readings have been completed.
3. Water was shut off to a customer for non payment.
4. Customer notification of lead and copper test results were mailed out to all customers who participated in the sampling.
5. All non read meters are reviewed at the end of every meter reading.
6. There were quite a few high users this quarter. Attempts are made to contact the customers with high usages.
7. Hallam ICS was able to get the reports working on the new HMI computer.
8. The water main was marked out on the Round Barn property for test pits.

9. An allocation letter was sent to 102 East Shore South. This customer already has a connection that was previously used for an old house. The customer wants to relocate the connection to Sunrise Lane, remaining on the same parcel of land. The old connection will be dug and capped.
10. A call was received from Allen Chemicals. According to them, Slack, their supplier, is no longer carrying our coagulant EC462. Loren from Slack completed a jar test with different coagulants. 2 of them showed promising results for flocculation.
11. Ray Solomon, Loren and SOS tried a live version vs the jar test. A separate day tank was set up with the new chemical, ACH. The ACH product showed some reduction in turbidity but after 45 min, there was breakthrough. Ray told Loren EC462 is what works best for GICWD. Loren is going to talk to management to see if they can continue supplying the 462.
12. Sludge depths were taken for the 3rd quarter. The average sludge depth was 2 feet. Biannual backwash tank pumping will be scheduled for this fall.
13. The connection agreement for the anaerobic digester on the Bullis property was approved with conditions. A meter pit will be installed at the road. A testable back flow preventor will be installed in the building prior to any water used. The unit will be tested annually with the results sent to GICWD. Any joints in the 2" pipe will be as close to the road as possible ensuring a solid pipe around the manure tank. The meter pit will be marked with bollards or rocks.
14. The homeowner of 1 Lightning Road called with a high-water bill. They have a meter pit at the road. After isolating different sections, a leak was found in the service line before the house. The homeowner will find a contractor to replace the line.
15. Our metal locator was shipped out for repair.
16. A water meter assembly was dropped off to 6 Landing Lane.
17. VTUMS located the water line on East Shore North to verify the size and location for the Bullis Tap.
18. Water was turned on to 203 East Shore North, and the water meter assembly was inspected.
19. SOS helped Cozy Cottages isolate a leak on their property.
20. Some seasonal meters have been removed as the weather gets colder.
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BILLINGS AND COLLECTIONS

1. As of October 13th, 2026, accounts receivable is \$143573.55
2. No Liens were filed. No Lien was released.
3. The balance of the 2 outstanding liens is \$4766.17
4. 12 customers used the ACH draft to pay their accounts.