

Bohners Lake Sanitary District No. 1
32288 Bushnell Road, P.O. Box 280 • Burlington, WI 53105

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 26, 2026
SANITARY DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING

The March 2026 meeting of the Bohners Lake Sanitary District Commission was held on Thursday, March 26, 2026 at 5:00 PM at the Burlington Town Hall located at 32288 Bushnell Rd., Burlington, WI 53105. Present at the meeting were Commissioners Phil Paustian, Brenda Szumski, and Amber Della Bianca; and District Secretary Denise Rintz Brehm. Absent was District Admin/Accountant Ruth DeLay;

1. **Welcome – Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment** – No public comments.
4. **Approval of February 26, 2026 Meeting Minutes**
 - Motion was made by Paustian with a second by Szumski to approve the February 26, 2026 meeting minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.
5. **Sanitary Stations/Sanitary System**
 - Sanitary system updates
 - Closely monitoring our sewage flow monthly trends. Will recalibrate our flow meter to the City of Burlington should our sewer flow trends remain elevated compared to the same period from the previous year.
 - Wanasek completed the repair of the ten damaged manhole rims around the district at a cost of \$10,992.
 - Green Bay Pipe & TV inspections over the past four years identified 22 recommended pipeline repair needs of which a number remained unrepaired, including grouting and tuckpointing manholes; lateral ground to prevent groundwater infiltration; manhole frames and damaged chimney boots; two manholes in need of excavation and repair; one failed pipe which will require excavation to repair; and repair of epoxy lining in areas worn away by sewage gasses. Wanasek is under contract for our system repairs and has an estimated total repair cost of \$55,000. All of the required repairs will be completed in 2026.
 - New connection permit approved in the Oakwood Hills neighborhood with a connection fee paid in the amount of \$4,365.
 - Weather related power loss – impact on SCADA system
 - The district's owned house (8180 Lakeshore Dr.) was impacted by two storm related outages. Our SCADA alarm system continued to operate on back-up battery power for an hour but was offline for several hours until rebooted at 8 AM the follow day. The district is considering the purchase of a back-up Generac generator to prevent the risk presented by future power outages.
 - All of our lift station back-up generators worked properly following the power outage.
 - Lift station upgrade next step recommendation
 - Commissioner meeting with consultant Clark Dietz and a representative from Wanasek scheduled following the April 7th election.
 - Factfinding site visit scheduled for Phil Paustian with the Village of Slinger Sanitary District to view their installation of the Grundfos operating systems.
 - The district's June 2026 meeting will include discussion on the timeline and cost for a lift station upgrade project.
6. **Lake Preservation**
 - Inlet shoreline beaver removal

- Bid of \$4,500 from Stateline Animal Control for trapping. Removal of the beavers will be challenging due to the location of the beaver lodge on the adjacent property across the inlet. A second bid will be sought.
- Big Foot Archers Club – carp harvest competition proposal
 - Due to the significant increase in our lake’s carp population, the district sees the need to take action during the spring carp spawn as a single female can lay up to one million eggs during the spawning season. Carp are popular targets for bowfishing due to their presence in shallow water during spawn.
 - The Wisconsin DNR has approved the event in coordination with the Big Foot Archery Club competition.
 - The potential cost for the competition is estimated at \$800-\$1,000. Motion made by Paustian with a second by Della Bianca to approve the harvest competition. Motion carried unanimously.
- DNR harvester submission date
 - Amber received submission letters from shoreline homeowners to apply for the harvester grant. We could submit it by the second week of April up until June 1. This grant would fund up to 50% of the cost of the harvester.
- Wisconsin Lakes and Ponds chemical treatment program for this season has been fully approved.

7. **Wetlands Updates**

- Hydrologic restoration general permit process
 - Brenda has been working on the process for the hydrologic restoration general permit. Jeff from Hartland is working on mock-ups on how we will approach this project. We will work with adjacent property owners as we need their approval as well. The Army Corps of Engineers will also need to be involved as credits have already been used on the credits. We cannot lose any wetland area on this property.
- Harvested seed planting
 - Seeds were harvested from Laurie Johnson’s property which is adjacent to the wetlands. We will remove the invasive species and then eventually replant the new seeds in proper locations, so they flourish.

8. **8081 Lakeshore Drive Property**

- Weed spraying bid
 - Amber called Weedman and provided a price of \$451 to aerate, insect control, topdressing, and grub control. We might want to consider staying with Ian as he may not be as aggressive with applications.

9. **Invoices for Approval** – motion was made to approve invoices presented by Paustian with a second by Della Bianca. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL INVOICES

Baxter & Woodman

General Engineering	\$2,485.00
City of Burlington Monthly Sewer	\$16,496.64
Salaries	\$6,112.59
US Treasury	\$1,012.72
Seymour Kremer Koch LLP	\$80.00
We Energies	\$1,084.69
Wanasek Corp.	\$11,521.31
Diggers Hotline	\$21.50
USIC	\$499.20
TDS	\$92.37
US Cellular	\$43.79

Southern Lakes Newspapers (Lake ad)	\$34.87
MPC (Quarterly processing)	\$350.00
William/Reid	\$2,160.00
Pieper Power	\$641.69
Clark Dietz	\$1,350.00
Ann Rintz	\$350.00
SJE	\$818.00
Deductible Recovery Group	\$221.20
SUBTOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES	\$46,794.64

HOUSE

TDS – Phone (January check lost)	\$49.82
TDS – Internet (January check lost)	\$45.00
We Energies	<u>\$144.99</u>
SUBTOTAL HOUSE EXPENSES	\$239.81

TOTAL INVOICES PAID **\$47,034.45**

Paychex Auto Withdrawal	\$144.00
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10. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 6:02 PM