## CENTRAL LAKES REGION SANITARY DISTRICT June 7, 2007

Donald Buse, new board member from Brandon Township took the oath of office. He is replacing Ray Wood on the CLRSD Board.

## Phase I

Brenda Elmer, Moorhead representative, for Senator Norm Coleman was present and read a letter from Senator Coleman regarding federal funding of two million dollars for the design of the project. She stated that these are Federal Funds from the Water Resource Act to be administered through the Army Corp of Engineers. At the present time this funding has been approved by the Senate and the Senator is optimistic that it will be part of a House Bill and will be approved. The funding would be part of the 2008 fiscal year budget which begins on October 1, 2007.

A report was given on discussions with ALASD. A draft of a service contact for treatment and maintaining the collector system was distributed to each director for their review. This will be discussed at the next board meeting. At this point it appears that both parties are in agreement. It was felt that it would be in the best interest of both parties to wait until the project is further along before the agreement is signed. The income survey was recently mailed out to 133 households. A response of 96 is needed to meet requirements of Rural Development.

Discussion was held on time table for ordering the project. Dan Folsom, from WSN, explained that in order to put the project out for bids next spring, they would need to have the project ordered by about October 1, 2007. Since there is no advantage to them to order the project at this time, it was felt that it would be in the best interest of all, to continue working on finance and other agreements up to that date. Prior to the next meeting, WSN will work with Springstead to review various costs and present an updated cost estimate.

## Phase II

The new subcommittee has held two meetings to discuss how Brandon Township, City of Brandon and City of Garfield could work together on some type of a treatment facility. It appears that all groups are interested in working together and it would be a mutual benefit to everyone. The total number of units in this group would be in the 550 to 600 range. This group will continue to meet to discuss various options of treatment. Pat Conway reported on application with Rural Development. The lack of adequate

replies on the salary survey is discouraging. At next month's meeting, a decision will be made regarding how to proceed on funds from Rural Development if additional surveys are not received.

## Phase III

The recent ruling by the Supreme Court on the Annandale/Maple Lake case opens the gates for permitting decisions. The permit for this phase has been updated and is being reviewed by MPCA. It is possible that notice of public hearing could be in July. Members of board met with representatives from Todd County to discuss discharge in Long Prairie River. The goal is a net positive increase in the river. All Phases

The assessment policy was reviewed and approved by the board. Next meeting is scheduled for July 5, 2007.