Meeting of the Commissioners of the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District

Thursday, Sept. 24, 2026, 8 a.m.
In Person/Hybrid Meeting

Present:	Commissioner Beth Bookland Commissioner Ken Clark Commissioner Greg Fries Commissioner Tom Hovel Commissioner Badri Lankella Commissioner Daniel Paltz
Absent:	Commissioner Patrick Lytle Commissioner Ezra Meyer Commissioner Brad Murphy

Commission Meeting

1. Opening

- **A.** Call to Order at 8:00 a.m.
- **B.** Welcome Guests: Forbes McIntosh (DCCVA); Matt Schuenke, Village of McFarland; Marc Houtakker, City of Monona
- **C.** Virtual Meeting Guidance
- **D.** Announcements

2. Appearances by the Public

3. Consent Calendar

- **A.** Approval of 9-10-2026 Meeting Minutes
- **B.** Approval of Cash Statement – Operating Fund

  Summary:

  The operating fund shows an available balance through check #133439 in the amount of $81,327.07; subsequent receipts totaling $13,074,036.21, less disbursementsx of $13,024,562.24, with a resulting cash balance of $133,801.04.
- **C.** Acceptance of Work: Headworks Grit Piping Replacement
- **D.** Acceptance of Work: Sludge Thickeners No. 1 and 2 Drive and Mechanism Replacement

Consent Calendar Summary:

The meeting minutes from 9-10-2026; operating fund cash statement; Acceptance of Work: Headworks Grit Piping Replacement 2026-09-24-R1; Acceptance of Work: Sludge Thickeners No. 1 and 2 Drive and Mechanism Replacement 2026-09-24-R2, were reviewed and placed on file.

Action: Motion by Commissioner Fries, seconded by Commissioner Bookland, to approve the Consent Calendar items A through C. Motion carried.

4. **Topics**

   A. **Public Hearing and Discussion on the 2027 Proposed Operating, Capital Projects and Debt Service Budgets and Discussion on the 2027 Proposed Operating, Capital Projects and Debt Service Budgets**

   Presenters: Tom Hovel, Commission President

   Description: Public hearing on the 2027 District budgets opened at 8:35 a.m. and closed at 8:39 a.m. Public comments were heard from Matt Schuenke, Village of McFarland. There were no other public comments.

   Discussion: Commissioners asked questions and provided feedback on the proposed budget during the discussion. District staff will provide written answers to questions in the packet for the budget deliberation agenda item at the next meeting

   Action: No formal action was taken.

5. **Reports**

   A. Executive Director Update

   Summary: Eric Dundee, Executive Director, provided three updates:

   - The District won four awards through the 2026 Dane County Climate Champions program for our efforts in chloride reduction, water reuse, salt conservation and renewable use.
   - Recent legislative visits in an effort to strengthen relationships with individuals who represent us.
   - Nine Springs Solar Project begins in October 2026.

   B. Committee Reports

   - Executive Director Performance Review Subcommittee

     Summary: No updates.
   - Finance Committee

     Summary: The next committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 5 at 2:30 p.m.

   C. Regulatory and Legal Report

   Summary: Legal Counsel to the District, Paul Kent, updated the Commission on recent legal efforts.

   D. Future Meeting Schedule

   Summary: None.

6. **Future Agenda Topics**

   Summary: None.

7. **Adjournment**

   Action: Commissioner Clark, seconded by Commissioner Fries, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

Regular Meeting of the Commissioners (Sept. 24, 2026)

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Bradley Murphy, Secretary

Future Meetings:

Oct. 8, 2026
Oct. 22, 2026
Nov. 5, 2026