NORTH HOUGHTON COUNTY WATER AND SEWAGE AUTHORITY
DATE: 4/27/26.

Meeting was called to order by Gasperich at 12:00 pm

ROLL CALL: LaRochelle, Coppo, Zubiena, Primeau, Mukavetz, Gasperich, Kalcich

Others Present: Heikkila, Bjorn,

Motion Mukavetz 2nd LaRochelle to approve the 3/30/26 minutes as presented with a correction to the adjourn time typo; Carried.

UPEA Invoices
Bjorn presented an invoice for on going work on the permit re-issuance in the amount of $332.00.
Motion Coppo 2nd Mukavetz to approve the invoice as presented; Carried.

Sumer Hire
Heikkila recommended that the board approved hiring Conner Liimata for the summer field technician position at $16.00/hour.
Motion Coppo 2nd LaRochelle to approve the hiring as presented; Carried.

Septage Rate
Heikkila recommended to the board that septage rates be adjusted for both the received septage as well as the payment for septage haulers pumping NHCWSA owned septic tanks. Heikkila recommended $80/1000 gal of received septage and $200 for each tank pumped for the NHCWSA. These rates represent a 10x/thousand when compared to our current sewer rates as septage is considered 10 times stronger than collection system sanitary sewer, and the 200 reflects a price comparable to what septage haulers are currently charging, minus the labor that the authority performs. Both rates equate to a net zero change to current budget.
Motion Mukavetz 2nd LaRochelle to approve the septage rates as presented; Carried.

Other
Heikkila informed the boars the Bendzinsky will present the rate study in person this summer.
LaRochelle asked about storm water funding and revenue
Heikkila informed the board that Discharge from equalization basins had begun

Public Comment
None

PAYMENT OF BILLS
Motion Coppo, 2nd Kalcich to pay monthly bills totaling $83,728.81

as presented; Carried.

Motion Mukavetz 2nd Primeau to adjourn at 12:23 pm; Carried.

Recorded by,

Cleve Heikkila

Submitted by,

Tom Primeau
Secretary