

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

TO ALL RECORD OWNERS OF OR PERSONS OF INTEREST IN PROPERTY WITHIN THE LAKE TEMPLENE AND SAND LAKE LAKE LEVEL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

TAKE NOTICE that a special assessment roll has been prepared and is on file for public examination at the office of the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner and at the public hearing. This special assessment roll relates to a lake level special assessment district set in 2009 and has been prepared for assessing the cost of maintaining a court-ordered lake level as authorized under MCL 324.30712. Please call **(269) 432-5506** to coordinate inspecting the roll/reviewing proposed assessments or with any questions.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that on **Monday, October 5, 2020 at 2:00PM**, the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner, as the delegated authority of the Lake Templene and Sand Lake Lake Level District will hold a remote public hearing using the video and telephone conferencing application Zoom, for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and project costs and hearing any objections hereto, and/or making a determination of whether to confirm said assessment roll. The public hearing is being held on Zoom pursuant to Executive Order 2020-154 and all other applicable authorities authorizing remote meetings during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. The hearing may be adjourned from time-to-time without further notice and is being held via remote access, in-part, due to coronavirus regulations limiting the capacity of indoor in-person meetings and to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Interested parties may join the Zoom hearing by:

1. **Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89989804335?pwd=clRnRWlnTi9SWVJndndMV0EydEhoZz09>
2. **Meeting ID:** 899 8980 4335; **Passcode:** 333875
3. **Phone (Toll-Free):** 888-475-4499

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at the hearing **is required** in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment. Any person or local unit of government objecting to the assessment roll shall: (1) appear at the above stated time and/or file his or her objection in writing with the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner by no later than the close of the hearing; or (2) file an appearance and protest by letter addressed to **the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner, on behalf of the Lake Templene and Sand Lake Lake Level District, PO Box 427, Centreville, Michigan 49032**, which if received by the Drain Commissioner by no later than the date of hearing, no personal appearance at the hearing is required. The Lake Templene and Sand Lake Level District shall maintain a record of parties who appear to protest at the hearing. If the hearing is terminated or adjourned for the day before a party is provided the opportunity to be heard, a party whose appearance was recorded shall be considered to have protested the special assessment in person.

Proceedings conducted at this public hearing will be subject to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act and you are further notified that information regarding this meeting may be obtained from the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner's Office. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Drain Commissioner at **(269) 432-5506** or through the Michigan Relay Service at 7-1-1 (TDD) at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance. Minutes of the meeting will be on file in the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner's Office.

The special assessment roll shall be final and conclusive unless appealed within fifteen (15) days after approval of the special assessment roll by resolution of the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners. Please review MCL 324.30714(4) for information related to lake level assessment appeals.

Jeffery J. Wenzel, St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner
on behalf of the Lake Templene and Sand Lake Level District