


60.77 

60.77 Powers and duties.

60.77(1) 

(1) Authority of the commission. The commission has charge of all affairs of the town sanitary district.

60.76(2) 

(2) Secretary; duties. The secretary shall keep a separate record of all proceedings and minutes of meetings and hearings. At the end of each fiscal year, the secretary shall submit to the town board of each town in which the district is located a report showing a complete audit of the financial transactions of the commission during the fiscal year. The report shall be incorporated in the annual financial statement of the town containing the largest portion of the equalized full value of all taxable property in the district.

60.76(3) 


(3) Treasurer. The commission may require the treasurer to execute an indemnity bond, provided by the district, in an amount which the commission finds appropriate for the proper performance of the treasurer's duties.

60.77(4) 


(4) General powers and duties. The commission may project, plan, construct and maintain a water, solid waste collection and sewerage system, including drainage improvements, sanitary sewers, surface sewers or storm water sewers, or all of the improvements or activities or any combination of them necessary for the promotion of the public health, comfort, convenience or welfare of the district. The commission may provide chemical or mechanical treatment of waters for the suppression of swimmers' itch, algae and other nuisance-producing aquatic growths.

60.77(5) 

(5) Specific powers. The commission may:

60.77(5)(a) 

(a) Sell any of its services to users outside of its corporate limits.

60.77(5)(b) 

(b) Require the installation of private sewage systems.

60.77(5)(bm) 


(bm) Require the inspection of private sewage systems that have been already installed to determine compliance with the state plumbing code and may report violations of the state plumbing code to the governmental unit responsible for the regulation of private sewage systems for enforcement under [s. 145.20](#).

60.77(5)(bs) 

(bs) Provide direct financial assistance for costs related to the replacement of private sewage systems, as defined in [s. 145.01 \(12\)](#), that are failing.

60.77(5)(c) 

(c) Issue rules or orders, which shall be published as a class 1 notice under [ch. 985](#).

60.77(5)(d) 

(d) Provide an office for the district.

60.77(5)(e) 


(e) Fix and collect charges for solid waste collection and disposal, sewage service and water service. The commission may fix and collect sewage service charges under [s. 66.0821](#) and water service charges under [s. 66.0809](#).

60.77(5)(f) 

(f) Except as provided in [s. 66.0721](#), levy special assessments to finance the activities of the district, using the procedures under [s. 66.0703](#).

60.77(5)(g) 

(g) Provide for the operation as a single enterprise of its water, solid waste or sewerage system, or any part or combination of parts of the system.

60.77(5)(h) 

(h) Lease or acquire, including by condemnation, any real property situated in this state and any personal property that may be needed for the purposes of this subchapter.

60.77(5)(i) 

(i) Sell, convey or dispose of any part of its interest in real or personal property which it has acquired that is not needed to carry out the powers and duties of the commission.

60.77(5)(j) 

(j) Administer the private sewage system program if authorized under [s. 145.20 \(1\) \(am\)](#).

60.77(5)(k) 


(k) Gather at the site of a public works project that has been approved by the commission for the sole purpose of inspecting the work that has been completed or that is in progress if, before gathering at the site, the president of the commission or the president's designee notifies by telephone or facsimile transmission those news media who have filed a written request for notice of such inspections in relation to that project and if the president of the commission or the president's designee submits at the next commission meeting a report that describes the inspection. The commission may not take any official action at the inspection site.

60.77(5)m) 

(5m) Authority to enact ordinances. The commission may enact and enforce ordinances to implement the powers listed under [sub. \(5\)](#). The ordinances shall be published as a class 1 notice under [ch. 985](#).

60.77(6) 

(6) Specific duties. The commission shall:


60.77(6)(a) 

(a) Let contracts for any work or purchase that involves an expenditure of \$15,000 or more to the lowest responsible bidder in the manner prescribed by the commission.

[Section 66.0901](#) applies to contracts let under this paragraph.

60.782 

60.782 Power to act as a public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district.

60.782(1) 


(1) In this section, "public inland lake" means a lake, reservoir or flowage within the boundaries of the state that is accessible to the public via contiguous public lands or easements giving public access.

60.782(2) 

(2) A town sanitary district that has at least 60% of the footage of shoreline of a public inland lake within its boundaries for which a public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district is not in effect may do any of the following that is authorized by the commission:

60.782(2)(a) 

(a) Create, operate and maintain a water safety patrol unit, as defined in [s. 30.79 \(1\) \(b\) 2.](#)

60.782(2)(b) 

(b) Undertake projects to enhance the recreational uses of the public inland lake, including recreational boating facilities, as defined in [s. 30.92 \(1\) \(c\)](#).

60.782(2)(c) 

(c) Appropriate money for the conservation of natural resources or for payment to a bona fide nonprofit organization for the conservation of natural resources within the district or beneficial to the district.

60.782(2)(d) 

(d) Lease or acquire, including by condemnation, any real property situated in this state that may be needed for the purposes of [s. 23.09 \(19\)](#), [23.094 \(3g\)](#) or [30.275 \(4\)](#).

60.782(3) 

(3) The commissioners of a town sanitary district that has the powers of a public inland

lake protection and rehabilitation district under [sub. \(2\)](#) shall possess the powers of the board of commissioners of a public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district that are authorized by resolution of the town sanitary district.[60.782](#)

