

Date of Meeting: May 8, 2008

Kind of Meeting: Business

Place of Meeting: Village Hall

Members Present: Robert Murphy, Chairman
Robert Liffland
Tracy Durkin
Wayne Osborn
Beth Coursen
Colette Zito

Consultants Present: David Wise of Gellert & Klein, P.C.
Steve Mance of Environmental Consultants
Seth Sheraden of Environmental Consultants
Rich Kane of Environmental Consultants

Others Present: Jerry Schwalbe, Engineer for Castagna Group
Maureen Athow from Baxter Green Development
Mr. & Mrs. Fred Brandt of 24 Dutcher Ave.
Susan Macura of the Pawling News Chronicle

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Tracy Durkin to open business meeting.
Time: 6:05 p.m. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Tracy Durkin to close the regular meeting
and go into executive session to discuss contract negotiations concerning proposed tenancy
agreement. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Tracy Durkin to close the executive session
meeting and open the regular meeting. All were in favor and motion carried.

At 7:10 p.m. the regular business meeting of the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission was
called to order by Chairman Robert Murphy with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Wayne Osborn to approve the minutes of
the April 10, 2008 regular business meeting as presented. All were in favor and motion
carried.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Tracy Durkin to approve the minutes of the
April 10, 2008 Organization meeting as presented. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Tracy Durkin, SECONDED by Robert Liffland to approve the treasurers report of April 1, 2008 through April 30, 2008 as presented. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Wayne Osborn to approve the April vouchers and the May prepaid vouchers as presented. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Tracy Durkin to approve the Correspondence Log of May 2, 2008 as presented. All were in favor and motion carried.

Consultants: Business/Reports

Attorney Report

David Wise said that earlier this week there was a meeting with Stew Berelson to discuss the pump station issues at the Baxter Green development. He said the meeting was a long time coming after several invites were extended to Mr. Berelson to meet with the Commission to discuss a plan to resolve the issues. Dave said there was a lengthy discussion with Mr. Berelson as well as with his engineer, Joe Zarecki. He said they did not come out of the meeting with any final agreement, but Dave thinks they made significant progress putting together a foundation of coming to some agreement with Mr. Berelson. Dave said there are some repair/upgrade estimates being put together by the plant operators in consultation with the Commission.

Engineering Report

No engineer present. In regards to the Variable Frequency Drive project at the plant, Chairman Robert Murphy said the engineers gave an update about the work. He said they had the contract signing about a week ago and the executed contract arrived in the office today. Chairman Robert Murphy said the contractor hopes to start work sometime in the middle of the month. He said he'll keep the members posted. Robert Liffland said by doing this upgrade the Commission will be saving money on electric and wear and tear on the equipment. Steve Mance said plus, it will provide a steady flow to the plant.

Sewer Operator Report

Seth Sheraden went over his monthly report.

Seth said Rich Savarese was here last month regarding the possibility of creating a situation where the Commission can save some money on their sludge hauling. He said he has all the numbers but it's not put together in a formal package. Seth said in a nut shell, he looked at what they have coming into the plant, what they have going out in the sludge tanker as far as the total suspended solids number, they had Rich Savarese take a sample of what he generally hauls and they are going to have him take another sample. Seth said then they will look at as; is what he's bringing in versus how much that's going to cost the Commission to take out and what kind of reduction they can expect there.

Seth said based on just looking at the preliminary numbers, it looks like something that could work to save money on the sludge hauling costs. He said the next step to take would be to see what the DEC says.

Seth handed out a summary of where they are at with the I/I work they started. (REF#163) He had some pictures that were taken of the manholes they inspected and he passed them around for the members to look at. They numbered some manholes and put those numbers on the pictures to be able to match them up. The prices for the seals are on the last page. Seth said they went with the lowest bid which is L.F. Manufacturing, Inc. and Rich ordered 70. Seth said these have to be ordered specific sizes so they can't just order an extra 20 to just keep in stock.

Seth said in order to be able to do the TV work in the lines, they need to have the lines cleaned first. He got prices and is part of the hand out they gave the members. Seth said Savarese is the lowest at \$800 for a day. He said basically the next step would be to clean the lines, going in and doing the TV. He said they purchased a machine that will convert a video recorded onto DVD so it will be easy for everyone to view.

Seth said what he would like to do is get some measurement weirs that they can put into the sewer mains and they can measure the amount of gallons of flow. They can take specific areas and try to isolate large flows. He said he'll get prices on them.

Seth said the manhole inserts should be in next week, then based on the board approval of the cleaning of the lines, they would like to set that up for after they get the inserts in and then go ahead with the TV work.

Beth said they discussed previously doing some testing with regards to sump pumps being used. She asked if that is something they are moving forward on in an attempt to reduce the I/I. Chairman Robert Murphy asked Seth if he's spoken to Jim Fitzsimmons about that. Seth said they haven't gotten to that point yet. They want to see where problems are with the inserts and the TV. He said that the way the flows are now and how quickly they go down after rain that tells them that a lot of the inflow is surface run off right into the manholes. He said the long term high flow would be from seepage from things like sump pumps.

Chairman Robert Murphy asked Seth if he wants the Commission to move forward with the line cleaning.

MOVED by Tracy Durkin, SECONDED by Robert Liffland to approved Savarese to do the cleaning of the lines at \$800 for a day. All were in favor and motion carried.

Chairman Robert Murphy asked Seth if they started using the degreaser chemicals yet? Rich Kane said yes.

Seth said Rich went out with the building inspector. Rich said Karl is going to work out really well, that he knows what he's doing.

Rob asked Dave if the building dept. has the authority to issue a citation if they find a grease trap that's not been cleaned. Dave said yes. Rob said if the inspector wants to give a warning he can but can he immediately give a citation. Dave said yes.

New Business

Chairman Robert Murphy said Jerry is here from the Castagna Group. Jerry said he just thought he'd stop by; that he knows things are still going on with the tenancy agreement. He said he is here tonight if anyone has any questions and he has some boards if anyone would like to see them.

Chairman Robert Murphy said if Jerry wouldn't mind bringing the boards in, probably some of the members haven't seen them. Jerry said there are other people waiting so he'll wait until they are finished.

Chairman Robert Murphy said Mr. Brandt is here tonight because he is interested in hooking up to the sewer. He said he and Linda did some research and found that the property Mr. Brandt owns is not in the sewer district. Mr. Brandt said he spoke to Olene Duncan who is the previous owner, and she told them that at the time they were bringing the sewer out to that area, the reason the house did not hook up to the sewer is because John's mother was living there at the time and the expense for them to run it out to the road was such that they did not require them to do it and that was the only reason. Chairman Robert Murphy said they can see on the map the property is not in the district. He said the property can probably be hooked up through tenancy but the Duncan's weren't required to hook up simply because the property is not in the district.

Chairman Robert Murphy said that tenancy agreements do involve some costs. He said the customer would have to pay for any kind of engineering and legal fees, then the cost of bringing the line out, then if there is a pump needed. Chairman Robert Murphy said they will have to set up an escrow account with the Commission, probably about \$2,500 to cover legal and engineering fees. Then there will be the \$500 application fee and the \$8,000 hook up fee. Chairman Robert Murphy said that is the current fee for people outside of the district. He said if they were in the district they would have been paying toward debt all along and they haven't been.

Chairman Robert Murphy said if they want he can draw up a list of charges they will incur and they can think it over and get back to the Commission with what they want to do. Mrs. Brandt was quite upset that they will have to pay the \$8,000 hook up fee saying there should be something they can do because they are in the Great Swamp area and they figure the village would be happy to have them hook up. They asked if there is any reason why that house was excluded from the original hook up. No body knew of any. Chairman Robert Murphy explained what the hook up fee was for and how anybody not in the district has to pay that.

Chairman Robert Murphy said Maureen Athow asked to be put on the agenda because she has some concerns about the sewer pump station where she lives over at Baxter Green. Maureen thanked Chairman Robert Murphy for allowing her to speak at the meeting tonight. She said she does not represent Baxter Green, she's just a resident there. Maureen told the members how many kids are in the development. She explained that the Attorney General was out there to visit on April 22nd to do a walk through. She said they were standing over an opening where they had lifted up a metal grate which was not locked.

Maureen said it was probably a ten foot ladder that went down and gushing water at the bottom. She asked if anybody on the Commission knew about the thing in the ground with no lock on it. Rob Liffland said there was always a lock there that he knew of. He said he always remembers there was a lock and if there is none that is not good. Maureen said the Attorney General told her that it was brought to the villages attention a year ago about this. Nobody on the Commission knew anything about that. Chairman Robert Murphy said he didn't know there was an opening there, that he is not familiar with that pump station. It is private property there, not owned or run by the Commission. Rob said the bottom line is that there should be a lock on it. Maureen said there is a lock on it now because one of the homeowners went out and made sure there are locks on both entrances. She said she thinks it's pretty outrageous that something like this was left up to the developer to take care of and that this is a disaster waiting to happen.

Maureen said if any one ever needs to get in there, they can reach her on her cell phone, that there are two keys and that she will not give the keys over until somebody is going to take responsibility for that station. Rob said his feelings are that yes, there should have been locks on there and that he thought there were locks on it. He thanked Maureen for stepping up for doing what she did. Colette thanked her for stepping up and looking out for her neighbors and their children.

Maureen thanked the Commission.

MOVED by Beth Coursen, SECONDED by Tracy Durkin to approve a transfer of \$3,832.62 from Capital Improvements MMA#15004203346926 to O&M MMA#150042033469189 for vouchers paid for plant expansion. All were in favor and motion carried.

Chairman Robert Murphy asked Jerry if he would like to bring up the boards now. Jerry brought up the boards and explained what the pictures were and what they were planning to do and how they went through the town planning and zoning and the SEQRA process.

The members thanked Jerry for the presentation and Jerry said if anyone has any questions he would be happy to answer.

MOVED by Wayne Osborn, SECONDED by Tracy Durkin to close the meeting and adjourn. Time: 8:05 p.m. All were in favor and motion carried.

Colette Zito, Secretary