

Date of Meeting: July 9, 2009

Kind of Meeting: Business

Place of Meeting: Village Hall

Members Present: Beth Coursen
Tracy Durkin
Robert Liffland
Colette Zito

Members Absent: Robert Murphy, Chairman
Wayne Osborn

Consultants Present: Seth Sheridan of Environmental Consultants
Steve Mance of Environmental Consultants

At 7:01 p.m. the regular business meeting of the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission was called to order by Vice Chairperson Tracy Durkin with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Beth Coursen to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2009 meeting as presented. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Colette Zito, SECONDED by Robert Liffland to approve the Treasurer's Report of June 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009 as presented. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Beth Coursen, SECONDED by Colette Zito to approve payment of the June, 2009 vouchers as presented and the July, 2009 prepaid vouchers. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Beth Coursen to approve the Correspondence Log of July 2, 2009 as presented. All were in favor and motion carried.

Consultants: Business/Reports

Attorney Report

There was no attorney present. Tracy said the attorney's issues are down on the agenda under new business.

Engineering Report

There was no engineer present. Tracy said the engineer's issues are down on the agenda under new business.

Sewer Operator Report

Seth reported that the operations of the plant were all normal although the flows were high this month due to a lot of rain. He said the monthly averages were up but the average flow to date isn't terrible, they were only 3,000 over the permitted level. He said along those lines, VJ Ghandi from the DEC was out at the plant today for an annual inspection. Seth said VJ is the one that's going to authorize final approval on the flow increase for the plant, so he was out today to make sure the plant was operating satisfactory. Seth said everything was fine and things should keep moving forward.

Seth said they got some correspondence from the DEC regarding the flow management plan. He said they basically just said to continue with the existing plan that they have. Seth went over his monthly report.

Seth said they spoke about the Baxter Green alarm at the last meeting. He said Steve was just telling him that it does appear that the new pumps being installed is the same model as what's in there now, so if they do have to buy one it will be compatible. Steve said it's the same pump; it just doesn't have the bells and whistles on it that the new ones will have, such as slide rails. Rob asked what is going on with the electric there. Seth said the electric is on and he can't see where NYSEG would shut that off where it's a public health issue.

Linda explained that Maureen Athow spoke with a NYSEG man that was there to shut off the power for nonpayment of the bill and he told Maureen he would leave it for another 30 days. Linda said Chairman Robert Murphy did call the attorney to see what the Commission can do in this situation. She said she doesn't know where it went from there. Steve asked if there is anything new with moving forward on this project. Tracy said she doesn't know. She asked if Seth could finish his report and then they could go through this. Seth went on with his report. He said he spoke with someone regarding a granular type degreaser and he said it would be more effective. He had a trial size. Seth is going to use it on three pump stations to try it out.

When Seth was finished with his report Steve asked how things are going with the Baxter Green pump station easement. Tracy asked Linda if she could talk to that. Linda said she hasn't heard anything, that nothing has come in and Chairman Robert Murphy hasn't said anything. She said she believes they are waiting on Dave, Mike Hayes and Zarecki to complete the easement work. Tracy said she will follow up on it.

New Business

MOVED by Beth Coursen, SECONDED by Colette Zito to approve transfer of \$8,331.50 from Capital Improvements MMA#15004203346926 to O&M MMA#15004219514608 for engineering vouchers. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Beth Coursen, SECONDED by Colette Zito to approve transfer of \$180.50 from Castagna Escrow Account #15004214220515 to O&M MMA#15004219514608 for engineering vouchers. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Beth Coursen, SECONDED by Robert Liffland to approve the penalty waiver as requested from sewer customer in letter Ref.#326. Beth asked Linda how this customer has been in the past. Linda said they've always been on time. All were in favor and motion carried.

Tracy said in conversation with Chairman Robert Murphy it was said that Scott Volkman had said that it might be appropriate for the Sewer Commission to take lead agency status for the Route 22 sewer extension. She said when this came up for approval at the Village Board meeting she mentioned it and it was tabled until the next board meeting so they could find out more information. Tracy said she thanks Linda for tracking this down from Scott. Tracy said Scott sent over an email, Ref.#331 that everyone should have a copy of. She read the email aloud. After reading the email, Tracy said it was held up at the Village meeting for additional information. She said now that they have the information is there a motion to authorize the signing of the response letter.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Beth Coursen to approve the signing of the response letter to consent to the Town being lead agency for the Route 22 extension. All were in favor and motion carried.

Rob said it will be approved at the Village Board on the 20th. He said they tabled it knowing there would still be time to sign the response.

Tracy said the next thing on the agenda is to approve the Sewer Commission declaring lead agency for the plant expansion and the main trunk line along the Metro North line.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Beth Coursen to approve the Sewer Commission declaring lead agency. Tracy said there is a full EAF in Linda's office if anyone would like to see it. She said one of the most interesting things, since it's full EAF, is the part three which has the narrative in it. All were in favor and motion carried.

Commission Member Comments

Beth said she is continuing her conversations with Environmental Facilities Corp. on the applications with Town, Village and Joint Sewer Commission. She said she had hoped she would have received word by now that it had been funded, but she hasn't. She will continue to follow up on it.

MOVED by Robert Liffland, SECONDED by Beth Coursen to close the meeting and adjourn. Time: 7:18 p.m. All were in favor and motion carried.

Colette Zito, Secretary