

DATE OF MEETING: February 12, 2015

PLACE OF MEETING: Pawling Village Hall, 9 Memorial Ave., Pawling, NY

KIND OF MEETING: Business

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Daniel Peters
Commissioner John Burweger
Commissioner Brian Griffin
Commissioner Robert Liffland
Commissioner Stan Mersand

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner David Kelly

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Brian Morgan of Daniels, Porco & Lusardi
Joe Zarecki of Zarecki Associates
Michael Batz of Severn Trent Services

At 7:00 p.m. the business meeting of the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission was called to order by Chairman Daniel Peters with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOVED by Commissioner Liffland to accept the minutes of December 11, 2015 Organizational meeting and the December 11, 2015 Business meeting as presented. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Burweger to approve the Treasurer's Report for January 2015 as presented. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Liffland. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Liffland to approve payment of the January 2015 vouchers as presented and the February prepaid vouchers. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Mersand. All were in favor and motion carried.

New Business

- **MOVED** by Commissioner Mersand to approve transfer of \$38,237.49 from Capital Fund #081100000 to O&M MMA#081100030 for legal and engineering fees for plant expansion. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.
- **MOVED** by Commissioner Mersand to accept the Overflow Response Plan contingent on Linda making the necessary changes, then it will be presented to the Village and the Town to be enacted into local law. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.
- PJSC Capacity Reservation Check List – Ref.#23.15 Chairman Peters said he would like to approve this at the next meeting.
Brian Morgan said the reason he is putting this on the table right now, even though the rest of the project is not quite completed, is that people have been talking over the last few months about a new template of contract, a form contract that the Commission will use. He said some issues he wants to get this all settled before hand, have the Commission members take a look at

it and if there is other things they think should be in it, or not, if the methodology is different than what they had in mind. He said that one of the things that is not addressed in this one is

the fees that will be charged for reservation of capacity. He said they have a lot of discretion on how they can do that but he said the concept is for it to be as similar as possible as Castagna had. He said he is just starting to put a process together. He's asking the members to review so that it can be ready to approve at the Commissions next meeting.

Commissioner Griffin asked if this is the application that he was asking about for new customers wanting to connect.

Brian Morgan said this is for the developers who are looking for assurance of capacity, it's not intended for individual customers.

Commissioner Griffin would like to see the application process looked at and changed.

Chairman said they can certainly do that.

- **MOVED** by Commissioner Mersand for the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission to accept the revised Village of Pawling Procurement Policy that the Village adopted. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweiger. All were in favor motion carried.
- Discussion/Motion – Greyline Stingray 2.0 Area Flow Meter – Joe Zarecki said he has gotten some different meter and prices and this one is the one he recommends.
MOVED by Commissioner Liffland to approve the purchase, up to \$4,000.00, of the Greystone Stingray flow meter. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Mersand. All were in favor and motion carried.

Attorney Report

Brian Morgan said he doesn't have anything more than what was already discussed or what is in his report that he submitted.

Engineers Report

Joe said they did look into the possibility of using the drying beds and he says it really needs a lot of work and he doesn't believe, operational wise that it will be effective. He said that they are looking at the possibility of obtaining a belt press and preliminarily it appears that if they put in a temporary press thickener. He said the numbers seem to be, the cost of the press, and the money they would save in the hauling fees, would probably save about \$70,000 to \$80,000 a year. And the press, at the end when it's no longer needed can be resold for almost 50% of what they buy it for. He said he's not comfortable to report to the Commission at this time what the numbers are exactly, he is still looking into it. He said by next meeting he should have everything in place.

Chairman Peters said if Joe gets all of the information before the next meeting then it would be worth having a special meeting for because the sooner they could start saving the better.

Sewer Operator Report

Michael said the RBC drive that went down has been replaced. The fan on the motor was damaged so they have a new one on order and as soon as that comes in the RBC will be up and running. He said because of this, they are pushing the envelope if they are compliant with ammonia next month. With the cold weather, the good bugs don't grow.

Commissioner Mersand said they have been working with the electricians at the plant on a weekly basis. The office building is done except for exhaust fan. The lab is done. New heaters are in the bathroom. The chemical building is done. He said it's all coming along.

Michael said the control room is all painted now and the cabinets will be finished and the floor is scheduled to go down on Monday. He said that should wrap up the majority of the housekeeping.

Commission Member Comments

Commissioner Liffland asked about Cedar Valley's I/I.

There was some discussion about when they get the meter in the pit and that they want to have it in by spring time.

Chairman Peters said that he has been approached by numerous developers who are quite serious about moving their projects forward and the deciding factor is sewage capacity.

He said they've been pushing the engineers to give them a date for completion of the end of 2016, but they still haven't approved the whole project through to the end.

He would like to discuss it either at this meeting or the next to have a vote to authorize the engineers to go to completion. He said they need to show good faith to the developers that are waiting to develop in our community. We have to make a commitment.

Joe said that everything is moving forward for the funding.

There was discussion on how much capacity the developers are asking for.

Chairman Peters said he'd rather vote when everybody is present and asked the members to please consider it.

There was discussion amongst the members and engineer about all the potential users down Route 22 that would be interested in connecting if the line was brought all the way down.

Brian Morgan was asked if the Commission can do that.

Brian said districts have to be set up, but the scope of the inter-municipal agreement is such that the municipality's both delegate much of their authority to the Commission to operate and manage those kinds of processes. So yes, in the end the town and the village has to take certain actions, like setting up the district, and assuming they are willing to do that, the Commission can certainly negotiate these things as the agent of the town and the village.

There was discussion on whether it would be good to have the owners of the properties down on Route 22 to come and meet, to let them know there is a way to do it.

There was discussion on how that would be done.

The board decided that it would be a good idea to have a joint meeting with the Commission and the Town Board and asked Linda to please invite all of them and the town zoning chairman to the March Sewer Commission meeting.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to close the meeting and open to visitor comments. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to close the public comment and go back into regular business.

SECONDED by Commissioner Liffland. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to adjourn. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried. Time: 8:05 p.m.

Brian Griffin, Secretary