

DATE OF MEETING: July 14, 2016
PLACE OF MEETING: Pawling Village Hall, 9 Memorial Ave., Pawling, NY
KIND OF MEETING: Business
MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Daniel Peters
John Burweger
Robert Liffland
Stan Mersand
Earl Slocum

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Kelly

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Mike Batz of Severn Trent

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 and a moment of silence for the five police officers that were assassinated in Dallas.

New Business

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to approve all of the items listed on the Agenda through to the current projects. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Slocum. All were in favor and motions carried.

Current Projects

- Belt Press – The bid has been advertised for the belt press equipment. Nothing has been picked up as of today.
- Cedar Valley –
- Flow Meter in SM #4 – Mike said the data has been collected. It's with Joe Zarecki.
- Route 22 Sewer line update – Commissioner Liffland said the East of the Hudson is looking for projects and it would be really great if they would do the line going down Route 22 to the Putnam County line. He asked Joe Zarecki to look into having Pawling being one of their projects. Joe will put a plan together.
- SSES and I/I – Video, cleaning, repairs – They will start the smoke testing in the village. Mike said he was just speaking with Linda about notifying the people.
- Pump Stations Upgrade Project –
- Income Survey – Chairman Peters said that the company the commission hired to do the income survey has been working with Linda getting addresses and getting it moving. He said some of the apartment owners are not willing to give out names and addresses of tenants so they will handle getting the surveys to these people. Commissioner Mersand asked if the landlord can pass the surveys to their tenants or will the surveys be mailed directly to the tenants. Linda said the property owner will get the surveys and that the cover letter asks the owners to please pass the survey on to their tenants.

Commissioner Liffland asked Chairman Peters to explain to the public that is present tonight why the commission is doing the income survey.

Chairman Peters explained that in order to be eligible for a hardship loan, (0% financing) through EFC, they have to prove that the median income is below 58,300. Right now the Village is at \$58,700. So in order to be eligible for the hardship funding, the commission is doing an income survey of the people that are sewer customers, because 0% financing can save the Commission millions of dollars over the life of the loan.

Chairman Peters said it will also help with grant applications.

Chairman Peters said that the application for the grant through EFC has been submitted. They won't hear anything on it until October.

He said they will have a lot of answers by October and they can make a decision then on what they are going to do.

Consultants Reports

- Attorney Report – No attorney present.
- Engineer Report – No Engineer present. Report submitted Ref.#8116
- Sewer Operator Report – Submitted Ref.#8016

Commission Member Comments

Commissioner Liffland asked if all of the town residents have new meters, including the residents up on Prospect St. and Westmount Ave.

Linda said no, there are still sewer customers that do not have meters.

Commissioner Liffland asked if there is a reason why?

Chairman Peters said he will follow up on that.

There was further discussion on getting accurate usage from the town's sewer customers.

Chairman Peters will follow up on this.

MOTION by Commissioner Mersand to close the meeting and adjourn. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried. Time: 7:20 p.m.

Stan Mersand, Secretary