

DATE OF MEETING: March 10, 2022

PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall

KIND OF MEETING: Business

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Daniel Peters  
Lauri Taylor  
Jerry Locascio  
James Schmitt

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Burweger  
Tom Meyer

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: None

At 7:00 p.m. the Business Meeting of the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission was called to order by Chairman Dan Peters with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MOTIONED** by Chairman Peters to:

- Approve the February 10, 2022 Business Meeting Minutes as presented.
- Approve the February 2022 Treasurer's Report as presented.
- Approve payment of the February, 2022 Vouchers/Bills as presented and prepaid vouchers.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Schmitt. All were in favor and **Motion** carried.

**MOTIONED** by Chairman Peters to:

- Approve transfer of \$57,360.43 from O&M Acct. ending in 0030 to Checking Acct. ending in 0190 to pay February 2022 Vouchers & Pre-Paid Vouchers.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Taylor . All were in favor, **Motion** carried.

Chairman Peters spoke about customer #10408 & customer # 03460 (Ref. # 19.22) who has requested a waiver of penalty in the amount of \$27. 38 & \$2.44. Customer stated they dropped off their checks in the drop box on Jan. 31, 2022, however the PJSC did not receive those checks. Chairman Peters explained that the drop box is checked several times a day. After discussion the Commission decided to deny the request to waive the penalties. **MOTIONED** by Chairman Peters to deny waiver of penalty to customer # 10408 & customer # 03460. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Schmitt, all were in favor, and **Motion** carried.

**MOTIONED** by Chairman Peters to renew the PJSC Contract with Municipal Solutions (Ref. # 20.22). **SECONDED** by Chairman Taylor, all were in favor, **Motion** carried.

Chairman Peters spoke about customer # 20206 (Ref. # 21.22) requesting waiver of penalty in the amount of \$34.61. A check was received on February 9<sup>th</sup> in the drop box. Check was due on Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. When Christine opened the envelope, the check was made payable to Village of Pawling, rather than PJSC. Christine called the customer to ask that she bring in a new check made payable to PJSC. When customer arrived at the office with a new check, Christine asked if she wanted to include the late fees. Customer stated that there shouldn't be any late fees because she had left the check

in the drop box 2 weeks prior. After a brief discussion, Chairman Peters made a **MOTION** to deny waiver of penalty. **SECONDED** by Chairman Schmitt, all were in favor, **Motion** carried.

Chairman Peters spoke about the increasing NYSEG Bills we are receiving, and had contacted three different solar companies to obtain quotes for installing solar panels at the WWTP. The first company didn't want to deal with a municipality, the second company was interested initially, however they decided the project wasn't big enough for them, and the third company did submit a preliminary proposal, however we are currently rethinking where we would place the solar panels. In the meanwhile, we have since talked with Kevin Hamilton of NUENERGEN, LLC. He works as a broker, locating 3<sup>rd</sup> party companies with cheaper pricing for electricity delivery charges. His services are at no cost to the PJSC. We are waiting for his response and will hopefully have more information for the April meeting.

#### **Current Projects – Discussion & Updates:**

- Castgana – Commissioner Schmitt announced that a group of residents had just filed a law suit as of today (March 10, 2022) and this will cause a delay in the project of at least 3 to 5 months until there is a ruling.
- ASPCA – Commissioner Schmitt confirmed that the ASPCA project is moving along
- Hannaford – Commissioner Schmitt – Hannaford is still doing outside agency work at this time. Chairman Peters reminded Commissioner Schmitt that Hannaford should really be thinking about moving forward with connecting to the sewer system now rather than waiting until it becomes a requirement. By doing so, it would save Hannaford money. The PJSC would be happy to offer them a contract.
- Commissioner Schmitt Spoke about having a public meeting for Pawling business owners & residents along the Route 22 corridor once we have hard numbers together regarding the expansion of the sewer line. Commissioner Schmitt recalls when they originally asked the businesses if they would be interested in hooking up to the sewer system, 95% of the people were in favor of doing so.

Chairman Peters made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Taylor. All were in favor, motion carried. Time 7:21PM.

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Jerry Locascio, Secretary