

DATE OF MEETING: July 14, 2022

PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall

KIND OF MEETING: Business

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Daniel Peters
Lauri Taylor
James Schmitt
John Burweger

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tom Meyer
Jerry Locascio

CONSULTANTS PRESENT:

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 June 23, 2022 Business Meeting Minutes as presented.
- Approve the June 2022 Treasurer's Report as presented.
- Approve payment of the June 2022 Vouchers/Bills as presented and prepaid vouchers.

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

MOTIONED by Chairman Peters to Approve the transfer of \$47,623.16 from O&M Acct. ending in 0030 to Checking Acct. ending in 0190 to pay June 2022 Vouchers.

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

MOTIONED by Chairman Peters to approve transfer of \$12,428.42 from O&M Acct. ending in 0030 to Checking Acct. ending in 0190 for Pre-Pay Vouchers. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger, all were in favor and **Motion** carried.

Chairman Peters asked that the Commission look at Ref. # 49.22 – request for relief of sewer bill from customer # 10601. Commissioner Peters explained that the water leaked on the garage floor and did not enter the sewer system. Chairman Peters **MOTIONED** to approve the request for credit in the amount of \$15.73. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Schmitt. All were in favor, **Motion Carried.**

Chairman Peters discussed Ref. # 50.22 & Ref. # 51.22 the new WWTP Operators Agreement. Chairman Peters explained that the Agreement is basically the same as before, with the exception that they have asked to include a cost of living clause in the Agreement that would not exceed 4%. The Agreement will not renew until October of 2022.

Chairman Peters announced that the Commission wanted to set the date for August 18, 2022 for the public hearing regarding the rate structure for the sewer billing. He reminded everyone that there had been a presentation on this at the last meeting and that there would be more information forth coming. The Village & the Town will also

need to approve the rate structure change as well for the water & sewer before it can go into effect. The original plan was to have everything in place for the September 2022 billing cycle, however it has become evident that we will not be ready in time for that. Dan Stone spoke saying that the committee that has been working on this project have been working on both water rates and sewer rates for both operation & capital. Currently there is no capital charged on water, so that will be a new calculation. The draft of these new charges have been put into a spreadsheet that compares what customers are paying now, and what they would be paying should we move forward with the structure change. The spreadsheet will be delivered to Lauri & Dan for their review and the Commissions review hopefully by Friday. Dan Stone suggested that it would probably be a good idea that the Commission & the Board meet with the bigger users and explain how the new structure will work. Chairman Peters made a **MOTION** to set the Public Hearing for August 18, 2022. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Schmitt, all in favor, **motion** carried.

Chairman Peters made a **MOTION** to approve reference # 54.22 – estimate from Kulk Plumbing & Heating in the amount of \$2,690.00 for the CAM Lock at the WWTP. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger, all in favor, **motion** carried.

Chairman Peters made a **MOTION** to approve Pawling Joint Sewer Commission to pay Kulk Plumbing & Heating in full for the sewer work at the Chamber Building in order to get the bathrooms functioning again. This will include payment of all materials. The Village of Pawling will reimburse the PJSC 15% of the total cost which is estimated at \$36,000.00. Commissioner Taylor said the Handicapped Porta-John had just been delivered to be used while the work is being completed. Chairman Peters asked if anyone had anything else they would like to discuss, nothing further from the Commission. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. Chairman Peters asked if Dan Stone had anything further on this, he responded that we are waiting for an easement from Hudson Valley Plastic.

Chairman Peters asked if Commissioner Schmitt had anything new on Castagna, Commissioner Schmitt responded that Castagna is still in litigation and added that Hannaford is still waiting on DEP, and he believes that ASPCA had received conditional site plan approval on Monday from the Town Planning Board. Dan Stone said he had talked with Brandy Nelson, the new Real Estate person for Hannaford, however she had not gotten back to him yet.

Chairman Peters asked Dan Stone what was happening with the flow meters that we have installed, specifically are we ready to gather information. Dan Stone responded that we did gather some information at the beginning, but we haven't had any significant rain events in the last few weeks. We are having some issues with one of the meters that will need repair. Dan Stone hopes to have all of the Data by October 1st so it can be assembled into a report to be submitted to DEC by the end of December. He would also like to have the interior building inspections completed by October first along Charles Colman and the 1st blocks of East & West Main Street which will be coordinated with Ed Larkin and Cory. Chairman Peters let Dan Stone know that Sarka was at the meeting. Dan Stone said he and Sarka have had a conversation which they plan to continue when Dan is here the 3rd week in August regarding previous I&I Studies.

Chairman Peters asked the Commission if anyone had anything else they would like to discuss, all Commissioners declined.

Chairman Peters made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting and open the meeting to public comment. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Taylor. All were in favor, **motion** carried. Time 7:28PM.

Jerry Locascio, Secretary