

DATE OF MEETING: October 13, 2022

PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall

KIND OF MEETING: Business

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Daniel Peters
James Schmitt
John Burweger
Jerry Locascio
Tom Meyer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lauri Taylor

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

SECONDED by Commissioner Meyer. All were in Favor and **Motion carried.**

MOTIONED by Chairman Peters to:

- Approve the transfer of \$89,422.94 from O&M Acct. ending in 0030 to Checking Acct. ending in 0190 to pay September Vouchers & Bills.
- Approve transfer of \$3,410.00 from Capital Acct. ending in 0000 to Checking Acct. ending in 0190 to pay LaBella Associates for I&I Study.
- Approve payment of \$1,675.50 from ASPCA Escrow Acct. ending 8380
- Approve payment \$420.00 from Project No. 2 WWTP Acct. ending in 0500 to pay LaBella Voucher for Septage Receiving Station Technical Memorandum.

SECONDED by Commissioner Schmitt. All were in Favor, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTIONED by Chairman Peters to approve the following Budget Modification:
Move \$28,000.00 from EFC Ban Principle Line 89892.5 to Collection System Maintenance & Repairs Line 13043.4 to pay for work at the Chamber Building.

Chairman Peters asked the Committee if they all had a chance to look at the Draft 2023 Pawling Joint Sewer Commission Budget. Commissioners all responded they had. Chairman Peters said the Budget looked to be pretty straight forward, it's what we project to cover the operation of the Treatment Plant for the upcoming year. The

cost for electric still remains rather unstable as well as fuel expense which effects all of our accounts. Chairman Peters asked if anyone had any questions, all Commissioners were satisfied with the Draft.

MOTIONED by Chairman Peters to schedule Public Hearing for November 10, 2022 at 7PM 9 Memorial Avenue, Pawling, New York.

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

Chairman Peters discussed Ref. # 87.22 – Customer # 10332. This Customer called after the Sept. 15, 2022 bill was sent out to ask why he had an unpaid sewer bill from the previous quarter. Customer said he always sends in his water & sewer payment together each quarter. Christine said it was quite possible that she only pulled the water payment out of their envelope when they paid the water bill on 6/21/22. Customer was requesting the \$32.34 penalty charge be waived. **MOTIONED** by Commissioner Burweger to waive penalty charge of \$32.34 penalty. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Meyer. All were in favor, **Motion carried.**

Chairman Peters asked if the Commissioners had the opportunity to review the email that was received from customer # 10052 asking for relief on her water/sewer bill from September 15, 2022. Chairman Peters said since the email was just received on the day of the meeting, Chairman Peters felt we should table the request until next meeting so we could take a closer look at the account and make an informed decision. All Commissioners agreed. **MOTIONED** by Chairman Peters to table this request until the next meeting on November 10, 2022. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Locascio. All were in favor, **Motion carried.**

Chairman Peters informed the Commission that the Sewer Operators Agreement between Pawling Joint Sewer Commission and Environmental Consultants was fully executed.

Chairman Peters said the PJSC is getting closer to completing the new billing program with Williamson Law. This is supposed to be a simpler format in comparison to the current program. Chairman Peters it will be addressed more thoroughly at the next meeting. He also said if it becomes necessary, we will hold a special meeting on this topic.

Chairman Peters asked Commissioner Schmitt if he had anything he would like to report regarding Castagna, Commissioner Schmitt said he did not.

Chairman Peters said there wasn't anything new to report regarding ASPCA, project is moving along.

Chairman Peters said Hannaford appears to be in limbo, they have not be in touch with PJSC.

Chairman Peters asked if anyone had anything else to discuss, no further discussion from the Commission.

Public Comment:

Sarka Leff was in attendance and had questions regarding the Town Board Meeting that was held the previous night regarding the Route 22 Corridor Sewer District 4. Ms. Leff asked why the residential properties had been removed from the list of being

eligible for sewer service. Commissioner Schmitt answered and said they had received significant push back from residential owners previously about having to connect to the sewer system, so they were basically presenting the project and what it might look like without having residential properties involved. Commissioner Schmitt said residential owners would certainly be welcome to hook in to the system.

Chairman Peters made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting and open the meeting to public comment. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor, **MOTION CARRIED**. Time 7:35 P.M.

Jerry Locascio, Secretary