

DATE OF MEETING: January 4, 2022

PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall, Pawling, New York

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Lauri Taylor
Trustee Dan Peters
Trustee Jerry Locascio – via phone
Trustee Tom Meyer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to open the Public Hearing to consider any objections or comments concerning the rate schedule in connection with the operation and maintenance costs of the sewerage system: said rate schedule is proposed to be set at \$1,000,000.00 and to consider and approve the apportionment of the debt retirement costs of the sewerage system of the Village of Pawling Sewer District No. 1 in the amount of \$292,947.00 at 7:00 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Ms. Jeanette Daniels, a resident of Walnut Street, asked questions regarding:

- Why owners on empty lots pay for sewer
- Why people who can't hook up don't pay towards the debt.

Trustee Peters said the public hearing was on the rate schedule and debt retirement costs and Ms. Daniels should bring those concerns up at a Sewer Commission meeting.

Ms. Daniels asked about purchasing computers and a copier. Mayor Taylor said the copier is leased and the Sewer Commission pays a portion. Ms. Daniels asked about the phone and internet charges. Mayor Taylor said the Sewer Commission pays a portion of that. Ms. Daniels asked what security is needed for the \$7,000.00. Mayor Taylor responded that was for the alarm systems at the pump stations. Ms. Daniels asked if the office supplies were also rationed. Mayor Taylor responded they were. She asked if that was for postage as well. Mayor Taylor responded affirmatively. Ms. Daniels asked if the Sewer Commission was being charged \$7,000.00 for the office rental. Trustee Peters responded yes because the Sewer Commission is separate from the village – it is a joint venture between the town and the village. Ms. Daniels asked if the salary, Personnel/Administration, was all the Sewer Commissioners. Mayor Taylor said it was staff and Commissioners. Ms. Daniels said her other concern was that the budget just went out and she just looked at it. She said the Commission had months to do it and she did not know why it could not be put out in public so people could have a chance to review it. The Clerk responded that the Sewer Commission had it out since October. Ms. Daniels said she just saw it on the agenda that afternoon. Mayor Taylor said she was confusing the Sewer Commission with the Village Board because it had been before the Sewer Commission since October because it is a Sewer Commission budget. Trustee Peters said the draft sewer budget was publicly presented in October, again in November and was approved in December at the Sewer Commission meeting. Trustee Locascio said there was a Public Hearing at the Sewer Commission. Mayor Taylor said that for anything related to the Sewer Commission Ms. Daniels would have to go to the Sewer Commission meetings. The Clerk said the tentative sewer budget had been in the back of the meeting room for months as well.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to close the Public Hearing to consider any objections or comments concerning the rate schedule in connection with the operation and maintenance costs of the

sewerage system: said rate schedule is proposed to be set at \$1,000,000.00 and to consider and approve the apportionment of the debt retirement costs of the sewerage system of the Village of Pawling Sewer District No. 1 in the amount of \$292,947.00 at 7:06 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve the rate schedule in connection with the operation and maintenance costs of the sewerage system: said rate schedule is proposed to be set at \$1,000,000.00 and to approve the apportionment of the debt retirement costs of the sewerage system of the Village of Pawling Sewer District No. 1 in the amount of \$292,947.00.

SECONDED by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve the 2022 Public Water Supply Permit Application. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Dan Stone, a representative from LaBella Associates, gave an update on the water system and engineer's report. He stated:

- the NYS DEC issued the Wetland Disturbance Permit for the lower Baxter site
- the village completed hydrant flushing tests along Charles Colman Boulevard and all the hydrants meet the fire flow requirements
- the village ordered the HDPE pipe for Umscheid / Baxter in the amount of \$19,140.00
- the Board is considering a Water Supply Service Connection Fee with a clause to mimic the escrow arrangements that the village has with the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. He said that was a work in progress and would be presented at the next meeting.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve payment of the December bills in the amount of \$164,944.22. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Taylor reported she is working with the town on figuring out the best way to move forward with an Ethics Committee or Board and see if there is a way to do it with surrounding municipalities in order to help each other out.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to close the regular session and go into Public Comment at 7:17 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to return to regular session, close the regular session and go into Executive Session at 7:21 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to close Executive Session at 7:49 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to open the regular meeting at 7:49 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Taylor stated the Board discussed the status of 146 East Main. She said the Board has been actively seeking compliance with Village Code and approved plans and specifications.

She stated they have repeatedly refused to comply which resulted, on 12/22, in the village pulling their permits and issuing a Stop Work Order. She stated they have continued to work without a permit and in violation of the Stop Work Order and are continuing to violate the Village Code.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to authorize Daniels, Porco and Lusardi to pursue all applicable civil remedies including litigation. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Taylor stated the Village Code also provides for criminal penalties.

MOTION by Trustee Meyer to retain Van DeWater and Van DeWater to pursue all applicable criminal remedies under the law against all responsible parties. **SECONDED** by Trustee Peters. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Meyer. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.


Village Clerk

	A	B	C	D
1			2022	
2			Approved	
3		DESCRIPTION	Budget	
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5		REVENUES		
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7	A2120	SEWER RENTS	1,000,000	
8	A2128	PENALTIES ON SEWER RENTS	12,000	
9	A2122.0	HOOK UP FEES	1,500	
10	A2401	INTEREST EARNED	1,000	
11	3900.0	MISC REVENUES		
12	A2770.1	DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	10,000	
13	9900.0	APPROPRIATED SURPLUS		
14		Transfer from Capital Project		
15	9900.3	Fund Balance	100,587	
16		TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,126,087	
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18		APPROPRIATIONS		
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20	81101.1	PERSONNEL/ADMIN	92,840	
21	13042.2	LEGAL	30,000	
22	13042.3	ENGINEERING	25,000	
23	13042.4	ADMINISTRATION	1,000	
24	13042.5	ACCOUNTING	17,000	
25	13041.1	SEWER OPERATOR	300,000	
26	81104.1	COPIER/COMPUTER	1,000	
27	81104.2	POSTAGE	1,500	
28	81104.3	OFFICE RENTAL	7,000	
29	81104.4	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,750	
30	13042.6	SPDES & AIR PERMIT	2,500	
31	81104.5	INSURANCE	21,000	
32	81104.6	PUBLICATIONS	500	
33	81104.7	EQUIPMENT	10,000	
34	81104.8	Computer Software	1,500	
35	13044.1	CHEMICALS	30,000	
36	13042.7	LAB FEES	5,000	
37	13043.2	REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	36,000	
38	13043.1	Maintenance of Software	3,800	
39	13043.4	COLLECTION SYS MAIN/REPAIRS	10,000	
40	13043.3	PUMP Station Main/Repairs	25,000	
41	13041.1	SECURITY	7,000	
42	13041.2	ELECTRIC	100,000	
43	13041.3	FUEL	3,000	
44	13041.4	TELEPHONE & INTERNET	3,250	
45	13041.5	WATER	1,500	
46	13041.6	SLUDGE	75,000	
47	84900.0	CONTINGENCY	20,000	
48	A9950	Transfer to Capital Reserve	0	
49		TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$832,140	
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51	74501.0	PRINCIPAL V/P EFC BAN	292,947	
52	74511.0.	INTEREST V/P EFC BAN		
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59	44550.0	BONDING COSTS		
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61		TOTAL BONDING & COSTS	292,947	
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63		TOTAL	\$1,126,087	
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