

DATE OF MEETING: February 8, 2017

PLACE OF MEETING: Pawling Village Hall, 9 Memorial Ave., Pawling, NY

KIND OF MEETING: Business

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Daniel Peters
John Burweger
David Kelly
Robert Liffland via Telephone
Stan Mersand
Earl Slocum

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Mike Batz from Severn Trent Services
Joe Zarecki of Zarecki & Associates

At 5:30 p.m. the business meeting of the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission was called to order by Chairman Daniel Peters with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to;

- Approve January 12, 2017 regular business meeting minutes as presented,
- Approve January 2017 Treasurer's Report as presented,
- Approve payment of January 2017 Vouchers/Bills as presented and the Feb. 2017prepay vouchers,
- Approve transfer of \$807.40 from Castagna Escrow Acct.#811000160 to O&M MMA#811000030 to pay engineering vouchers,
- Approve transfer of \$28,900.00 from Capital MMA #0811000000 to O&M MMA #0811000030 for pump upgrade project vouchers,

SECONDED by Commissioner Slocum. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to approve penalty waiver for sewer customer #408 in the amount of \$43.90 as requested in letter ref.#1117. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to approve E1 Pump for Dutcher Ave. as proposed in ref.#0917. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to approve letter to Vijay Ghandi of DEC from Chazen Companies as presented in ref.#1317. The letter is to address the violations. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Slocum to approve RFP for Biosolids Transportation and Disposal as presented in ref.#1617. This is for when the Belt Press is online. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to approve RFP for Sewer System Video Investigation & Flow Monitoring as presented in ref.#1717. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to approve Municipal Solutions contract in connection with the PJSC's Jucca/Castagna sewer rate analysis assistance. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger.

Commissioner Liffland asked if this is for the attorney's to negotiate with the Castagna Group. Chairman Peters said yes.

Commissioner Liffland asked doesn't the board and the attorneys realize that Castagna Group got an extra \$500,000.00 that was promised from Senator Ball.

Chairman Peters said he believes that money was allotted to the project and it ended up being used in the project, as he understands it.

Commissioner Liffland said that's not how he understands it. The senator said that he got it for the village.

Chairman Peters said a grant can't be administered unless it's through a municipality, whether it be through the village or the town, and he doesn't know that it was.

Commissioner Liffland said he would like to go on record that he wants to know how that happened.

Chairman Peters said his understanding is that there were two \$500,000 grants. One is being used for the Belt Press and he honestly doesn't know what happened to the other one.

The village didn't administer it and he doesn't think the town administered it so he doesn't see how they could have gotten it.

Commissioner Liffland said Senator Murphy said it was for economic development.

Chairman Peters asked Commissioner Kelly if he knows anything about the grant.

Commissioner Kelly said grants just don't go to municipalities; they can go to a private organization so it could go to Castagna.

He said they were ones done outside of their prevue. They were awarded to the Castagna organization. He said the first one was awarded for the sewer lines and his understanding is that the second one was awarded to the village for the sewer plant.

Because Castagna didn't use the grant money for the sewer line, the village ended up with it and that is what they are using for the belt press.

Chairman Peters said he will do some homework on it.

All were in favor and motion carried.

Current Projects

- WWTP Improvement Project –
- Cedar Valley –
- Flow meter in SM #4 –
- SSES and I/I –
- Pump Station Upgrades –

Consultant Reports

- Attorney Report – There is none.
- Engineering Report – Joe asked if the board wanted to discuss the water meters for the town. Chairman Peters said it's not on the agenda. The report was sent to everyone and everyone is aware of it.

Chairman Peters asked Joe if he has any information on the flow meter.

Joe said yes and the reports show that there is still a lot of I/I coming from Cedar Valley.

He has data and reports. He said he'll email the report to everyone tomorrow. He said it's clear from the charts that there is quite a bit of I/I.

Chairman Peters asked if they have as built.

Joe said they do have some drawings where they are able to piece together where the lines are.

Commissioner Mersand asked if the strenuous flow that Mike spoke about last meeting could be coming from here.

Joe said the charts show more that it's a rain event than anything else.

Joe said they are almost done with the SSES and the EPG work. He said there is a lot of I/I up on Reservoir Rd. and one gusher on West Main St. They have just about the whole system videoed. He said they aren't working on repairs yet. They want to get all the information together first and then they'll apply for some grants for the work that's needed.

Joe said the second flow meter is on Reservoir Rd.

- Sewer Operator Report – Mike Batz said the West Main St. pump is just about done. The fence will be done when the weather gets a little better.

Commission Member Comments

There were none.

MOVED by Commissioner Mersand to close the meeting and adjourn. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried. Time: 5:46 p.m.

Stan Mersand, Secretary