

DATE OF MEETING: June 13, 2019

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

KIND OF MEETING: Business

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Daniel Peters
John Burweger
Robert Liffland
Earl Slocum
Lauri Taylor
James Schmitt

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Dan Stone and George Cronk of Chazen Companies
Mike Batz of Severn Trent Services

At 7:00 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 Chairman Peters to;

- Approve the May 9, 2019 Business Meeting Minutes as presented
- Approve May 2019 Treasurer's Report as presented
- Approve payment of May 2019 Vouchers/Bills as presented and the June 2019 prepay vouchers

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

WWTP Improvement Project –

MOVED by Commissioner Liffland to approve Pay Request No. 13 for \$105,450.00 to J&J Sass Electric. Ref#4619. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Slocum to approve Pay Request No. 15 for \$364,820.48 to OCS Industries, Inc. Ref.#4519. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

MOVED by Commissioner Liffland to approve Chazen proposal for the completion of construction services at the WWTP as per Ref.#4119-2.

Dan Stone explained to the commissioners the details of why they need this change order and how the funds will be moved around within the project budget lines to come to the same project total.

Chairman Peters asked if anyone had a question.

He allowed Mrs. Montgomery from the audience to ask a question about the contingency fund. Dan Stone gave her an explanation.

Commissioner Schmitt asked Dan Stone how much of this change order is due to the concrete.

Dan Stone said \$38,000 but there will be a little bit more.

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

Cedar Valley Water Meter Replacement Project –

Chairman Peters said they received one bid on the water meter replacement project from S&O, Ref.#4719 for \$97,328.00. He said it's been a long time coming and he'd like to see this project get done. The costs will be recouped in about 2 years by having accurate readings.

MOVED by Commissioner Liffland to authorize Chazen to move forward on the Cedar Valley Water Meter Replacement Project contingent on the opinion of Jeff Smith of Municipal Solution on the funding of it. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Taylor. All were in favor and motion carried.

Mrs. Montgomery from the audience asked who is the company that bid.

Dan Stone said it is S&O, they are the company working right now at the plant.

There was some discussion about homeowners not cooperating and how those might be handled.

New Rate Structure & Billing Software –

Dan Stone said they put the new rate structure on hold back in March. There was some issues with assessments which caused them to look more carefully at the IMA. He said there is supposed to be portioned amount of town, based on flow and village, based on their flow, and the town costs are recouped only by the town residents and the village costs recouped by only the village residents.

Dan said that over the next several weeks, the Commission will see a discussion document and a revised MPR incorporating an appendix that follows the IMA precisely, and the rate structure previously used with just one exception; that is instead of having the parcel as the primary determinant with respect to the sewer billing account, the meter will be the determinant. So if you have 4 meters on one parcel, the way it's been, those 4 water meters flow is rolled over to one sewer account. In this case, every meter will be an account. The parcels assessed value will be apportioned to each. Every meter will be an account and will be billed water and sewer. That is what's going to change.

Chairman Peters asked if this is going to be additional work.

Dan said there is enough money in the existing budget to take care of it.

Pump Station Upgrade Project –

Mike Batz said the only thing remaining is three pump stations that do not have generators; one they know cannot have a generator, West St. The other one is Haight St. which is questionable. And then the one on West Main St., once that's done the project will be complete.

Mike said the portable generator can be used on these.

Mike said all the pump station control panels have been upgraded.

Mike said the secondary clarifier at the plant went down. They were able to patch it and hopefully it will make it to October.

Dan Stone said October is a critical date because as per the consent order, that's when they will have to have the new process functional. They are trying to keep the costs for repairs down to a minimum with the old things.

Chairman Peters said they are already over budget on the repair & maintenance line.

Chairman Peters asked if there has been any progress on making the fence at the plant accessible all the way around.

Mike said yes, they are currently working on it and when they put the new fencing in they are going to have it elevated a little bit so it can be weed wacked underneath.

Chairman Peters asked if the greenhouse has been cleaned out yet.

Mike Batz said the greenhouse is still being used by the contactors storing things so that won't be cleaned out yet. But they do have things organized.

Commissioner Burweger asked Mike to let him know when they get to the point where they can get in there to see what they want to keep and what they want to get rid of.

Chairman Peters asked Mike how things are going with the main pump at the plant.

Mike said everything is running good.

Mike said the 2 pumps with the bad bearings are at the shop now, they will see what can be salvaged.

Chairman Peters asked Commissioner Schmitt if there is anything to report on the Route 22 sewer line.

Commissioner Schmitt said they are just going through some legal things right now with the attorneys with the MPR. There were some things in it that they didn't like so it is being dealt with and should be all wrapped up next week.

Commissioner Schmitt said there are a lot of people on Route 22 asking about it. They had Ingersoll at the Town Meeting. Ingersoll donated a car for the town constables to use.

Commissioner Schmitt said that in speaking with the owner of Ingersoll after the meeting, the owner said he had heard about the MPR and the sewer going down 22 and he's exited and wants to find out more about when it's coming and what the potentials are because he also has a close working relationship with a lot of business owners on 22 and they all feel the same way, they want a sewer line. He said it's good to see the interest.

Chairman Peters asked about Patterson.

Commissioner Schmitt said they haven't had any more conversation with Patterson since the initial one.

Commission Member Comments

There were no additional comments.

MOVED by Commissioner Burweger to Close the Business Meeting and Adjourn.

SECONDED by Commissioner Taylor. Time: 7:20 p.m. All were in favor and motion carried.

Earl Slocum, Secretary