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WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES May 1, 2018

Attendance:

Chairman Mike King, Commissioner Roxanna Chomas, BOS Rep. Mike Yergeau
W&S Administrator Dennis Koch; W&S Operators Norm Dionne & Jim Pouliot.

1. Call to Order:

Chairman King called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Epping Town Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

2. Public Hearing of Asset Management Plan for WWTF.

Margaret Blank of Underwood Engineers presented the Asset Management Plan for the WWTF. The AM Plan was paid for by a \$30,000 grant from NHDES, and the Energy Audit was \$20,000 also paid by a grant from DES.

The AM Plan is a decision making tool, to help with the level of service, inventory and critical assets. This AMP doesn't include the future septage receiving building or the new headworks equipment. They will need to be added once it is complete.

3. Appointments: Dan Mattus of Whitewater; the operator of our water system, came in to discuss the replacement of the ferric chloride pump. We need a pump that can run at a lower dose for better control of the process. DM presented a proposal for the pump purchase and installation for \$3,150.00. RC asked DM to come down on the price, he will check on that.

DM will be on-site for the upcoming annual sanitary survey of the water system.

DM would like to take some non-compliance samples to see if anything has changed in the water.

4. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Chomas to approve the minutes of April 13, 14 & 17, 2018 as submitted. Seconded by Chairman King. Motion carried 2 - 0.

5. Administrator's Report: DK presented Dave Mercier's written update to the Board.

DK then presented Underwood Engineers proposal for phase 2 of engineering work on lagoon #1. Contract price is \$21,700.

Motion by Commissioner Chomas to approve the Underwood contract for \$21,700.00 Seconded by Chairman King. Motion carried 2-0.

DK reviewed the latest letter from the Dam Bureau. The Board agreed with the terms spelled out and agreed to sign and return the response letter.

6. Operator's Report: Norm Dionne reports that Eastern Analytical will be sampling all of the production wells on May 31, 2018 for PFOA & PFOS.

Jim Pouliot reports that most grease trap owners have supplied proof of cleaning. We are still working on three restaurants that have inadequate set-ups.

JP has no need for the truck donated by Henry DeBoer, would like the BOS to rescind the acceptance of the donation so we can return the truck to HD.

JP has no need for the JD 750 tractor, we should look into selling it.

Hydrant flushing will commence on May 7th, at night. Might be flushing all of May, expect brown water.

Hydrant painting will start next week, also replacing broken or missing hydrant flags.

Lagoons are low and the system is operating fairly well, no violations in April. Will hose off membranes this week.

7. Commissioner's Reports:

Chairman King: Addressed an issue in the water system where a contractor shut off a service with no water department personnel on site. This is never allowed.

Motion by Chairman King to institute a \$5,000.00 fine for anyone performing unauthorized work on the water or sewer system. Seconded by Commissioner Chomas. Motion carried 2-0.

DK will run this by Attorney Ratigan and report back.

Commissioner Chomas: RC asked about the road repairs on Main St./Plumer Rd./N. River Rd? The Highway Department is working on it, going to cut it out, fill, pound & pave.

BOS Rep. Yergeau: Nothing.

Meeting now moved into non-public session.

Meeting will adjourn after non-public session.

Respectfully Submitted



Dennis W. Koch Jr.
Water & Sewer Administrator