Town of Epping, NH

Incorporated 1741

Water & Sewer Commissioners 157 Main Street Epping, NH 03042

Water & Sewer Administrator 603-679-5441 x108

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES February 7, 2024

Attendance:

Commissioner Marc Nickerson, Commissioner Scott Pim W&S Administrator Dennis Koch, Operator Anthony Shea

1. Call to Order:

Commissioner Nickerson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Epping Town Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

- 2. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Commissioner Pim to approve the minutes of January 10, 2024 as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 2-0.
- **3. Appointments: Dave Mercier** of Underwood Engineers gave a CAP update. PLC programming for the air scour valves and automated acid chemical cleaning will need to be performed by Veolia at a cost of \$22,000.

Motion by Commissioner Pim to hire Veolia to perform the needed programming for \$22,000. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 2-0.

Veolia membranes 2 & 3 are running well and passed the hydraulic testing at 8 degrees C.

Total Nitrogen Upgrade study is 60% complete.

Lagoon closure is coming along well. #1 is complete and #2 will be done this spring.

In May UE will have a letter regarding the future plans for Epping. We need the third train online, a peak flow storage tank complete and headworks redundancy. UE will make an ESR to draft a letter to DES.

Joe Coronati from Jones & Beach came in with Steve Kaneb to discuss the future of Verdant Pastures on Ladd's Lane. He wants to develop housing and commercial projects. Looking for around 58,000 GPD of Water and Sewer capacity.

JC discussed Kingston Karts on Calef Highway. They are building a 20,000 sq. ft. warehouse. Looking to connect a sprinkler line for now. There is a one-time fire line connection fee of \$500.00.

4. Operator's Report: Anthony Shea reports that influent flows last month were 355,000 gpd on average. There was a high of 553,400 on 1/13/14.

Synagro is pumping from lagoon 2 in to 1. They have also been demobilizing some of their equipment.

Staff have been working on the UV unit at the WWTF and have been successful in repairing some units.

The enclosure building had begun construction. The roof needs to be raised to match the existing building.

5. Administrator's Report: Dennis Koch discussed a letter from Des regarding the permit for Hoar Pond wells being expired, DM thinks that is not correct.

Eastern Pipe Service can camera the 2,700' of sewer main from the plant to the top of Mill Street for \$2,400 / day. We should schedule two days. TV and Vac truck is \$3,500 / day.

Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to approve two days of camera work with Eastern. Seconded by Commissioner Pim. Motion carried 2-0.

Abatement requests:

\$172.21 for 38 Moore St. \$34.73 for C12 \$164.08 for B25 \$116.16 for 17B Balsam Dr.

Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to approve the abatements. Seconded by Commissioner Pim. Motion carried 2-0.

6. Commissioner's Reports:

Chairman Dwyer: Absent.

Commissioner Nickerson: None.

Commissioner Pim: SP discussed sewer back-ups and how some cities handle it with a one-time payment and promise for the property owner to install a check valve.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Nickerson. Seconded by Commissioner Pim. Motion carried 2 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Dennis W. Koch Jr.

Water & Sewer Administrator

Minutes approved:

Marc Nickerson, Commissioner

Scott Pim. Commissioner