

## March 12, 2024

A regular meeting of the Water and Sewer Board of Commissioners was held at 5:30 p.m. in the Village Office. Present were Chairman David O'Hara, Commissioners: Andrew Clark, and Michelle Kelley. Also, present were: Village Clerk Lynnette Carver, Superintendent of Public Works John Heller, Trustee Shawn Prievo, Camden Group President Ken Scherrieble, Publisher of the Queen Central News Doug Cleveland.

Commissioner Kelly made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as written. Comm. Clark seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Comm. Clark made a motion to pay all audited water bills on Abstract # 10 in the amount of \$7,010.21 and all audited sewer bills on Abstract # 10 in the amount of \$8535.01, inclusive of \$46.87 in Sewer Plant capital project bills. The motion was seconded by Comm. Kelley and carried unanimously.

Camden Group President Ken Scherrieble submitted his report to the Board:

Water:

- ❖ Total Organic Carbon (TOC) & Total Coliform samples collected & sent to the lab on 2/8.
- ❖ We had a leak in the basement upper ball valve connection where the chlorine enters the line. We replaced the connector first, then changed the entire ball valve and removed the quill to clean out any calcification. We noticed that the curb-stop injector was leaking. We worked to change that out with the help of the DPW, but we did not have the correct size replacement. We ordered new parts from USA Bluebook on 2/13, but they had a 3-week lead time. Once we have the parts, we will change out the injector.
- ❖ Routine cleaning of CL-17.
- ❖ Lead and lag chlorine metering pumps integrity inspections, and general cleaning performed weekly; lubrication added as needed.
- ❖ We received all the 1-micron absolute filters necessary, as well as stock for the next change out.
- ❖ State DOH Report was completed and mailed.
- ❖ General cleaning and maintenance conducted.

Sewer:

- ❖ Composite samples were collected & sent to the lab on 2/8 & 2/15.
- ❖ We continue to complete Covid Surveillance sampling once per week, with samples being sent via UPS on Tuesday afternoons.
- ❖ We have not had a problem with the rear aerator since the contactor was changed out.
- ❖ Stu has been on site multiple times to work on the raw pit control upgrade.
- ❖ The Asset Management Plan was updated and sent to the DEC.
- ❖ We applied for a cold weather package auto sampler through a program with the WEF (Water Environment Federation) and it was granted for an automatic influent sampler, with a flow meter option as an attachment.
- ❖ We have had several issues with the heater in the press room, it seems that a transformer blows or trips periodically.
- ❖ Exercised the generator weekly.
- ❖ Cleaned clarifier trough, skimmer arm and weirs, skimmed out plastics and grease that accumulate daily.

- ❖ Maintain free flowing splitter box, where more rag tangles and plastics accumulate before passing into the clarifier. We scoop this out daily and pull tangles from the poles in the box. We mixed the biosolids in the drying bed with lime and pushed back to make room for more.
- ❖ On 2/28, Eggan and DPW were on site to clean out the grit channel and raw pump pit.
- ❖ Pressed sludge for a total of 9,336 dry pounds.
- ❖ Deep cleaning of clarifier, including the backside and effluent basket.
- ❖ Deep cleaning of headworks, removing all collected rag tangles from the backside of bar screens.
- ❖ General cleaning and service.
- ❖ Performed Daily/Weekly/Monthly PM on system.
- ❖ The DEC inspection was performed.

Superintendent of Public Works John Heller reviewed his report with the Board.  
After a lengthy delay, HaTech has begun building the new panel at the sewer plant.

Discussion concerning 53 Railroad Street. Comm. Clark made a motion to decrease the amount billed by the minimum gallon usage of 15,000 gallons for each of the two previous billings; in which the customer was charged for the usage and the meter was not read. Comm. Kelley seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

The Water and Sewer Board will request Mayor execute the DEC Mining Permit Application.

Discussion concern held concerning *120 Water*. The company has quoted the Village a cost of \$8,561.25 to complete our required EPA Service line inventory. This professional service is being widely used to complete the inventory. The EPA deadline for completion is October 2024. Comm. Kelley made a motion to hire *120 Water* to complete this survey for the Village. Comm. Clarke seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

WQIP Round 19 grants were awarded. The Village was awarded one million dollars for disinfection, but unfortunately, was not awarded funds for general improvements.

The motion was made by Comm. Clarke to research the sale of four acres of land. This land, deemed surplus, is located on Wolcott Hill Road, behind the JLS. (This is the former Spink property.) The motion was seconded by Comm. Kelley, and it was carried unanimously.

Monthly financial statements from Treasurer Meagher were reviewed.  
A statement of revenue and expenditure for the WWTP Capital Project was presented to the Board.

As there was no further business to discuss, Comm. Clarke made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m. The motion was seconded by Comm. Kelley and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted.  
Lynnette Carver  
Village Clerk