

## November 4, 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: Robert Sauer, Andrew Clark, Ryan Dust, and Michelle Kelley. Also, present were Village Clerk Lynnette Carver, Superintendent of Public Works John Heller, Camden Group President Ken Scherrieble, Ryan Kirch, and Queen Central News reporter Lisa Rundle.

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

Mr. Kirch addressed the Board concerning his water bill for his Main Street property (Christmas Assoc. building).

Comm. Clark made a motion to pay all audited water bills on Abstract # 6 in the amount of \$6,416.63 and all audited sewer bills on Abstract #6 in the amount of \$7,584.13. There were no Capital Project-Sewer Plant bills. The motion was seconded by Comm. Kelley and carried unanimously.

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

### Water:

- ❖ Total Coliform samples collected & sent to the lab on 10/22.
- ❖ We completed water meter reading to the best of our ability.
- ❖ On 10/16, Gartner Equipment agreed to honor the previous quote for servicing both water pumps, that they had provided us in July. We placed the order for the parts, and are awaiting a final answer on time frame for their arrival. Once we have that set, we will get the service date scheduled.
- ❖ Replaced lead chlorine pump check valve & ball valve.
- ❖ Routine cleaning of CL-17.
- ❖ Lead and lag chlorine metering pumps integrity inspections, and general cleaning performed weekly; lubrication added as needed.
- ❖ State DOH Report was completed and mailed.
- ❖ General cleaning and maintenance conducted.

### Sewer:

- ❖ Composite samples were collected & sent to the lab on 10/14 & 10/24.
- ❖ We continue to complete Covid Surveillance sampling once per week, with samples being sent via UPS on Tuesday afternoons.
- ❖ Our WTC Authorization Requests were sent over to the DEC and we are awaiting approval for a new polymer.
- ❖ DEC was on site on 10/16 to collect samples for PFAS, PFOS and Dioxane from our influent, effluent and biosolids coming off the belt filter press.
- ❖ DPW land spread our biosolids on 10/24 at Kelley Farms.
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ Pressed sludge for a total of 4,038 dry pounds.
- ❖ Deep cleaning of clarifier, including the backside, ceiling 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.

Superintendent of Public Works John Heller reviewed his report with the Board.

- ❖ The DEC approved the Village's Land spreading permit for 5 years.

- ❖ The Village EPA water service line inventory was submitted to the NYS Health Dept. and letters were included in the November billing; notifying customers if they have unknown service line or lines containing possible galvanized pipes.

A resident of Union Street requested an adjustment. No adjustment was given; the leak has not been isolated, identified or known to be resolved.

A motion was made to adjust the town residential customers' water bill of 10082 Florence Hill Road, using the calculation of averaging the past three usages (inclusive of the current high reading) by Comm. Clark. The meter was inspected. The leak had resolved prior to billing. The homeowner was advised no further adjustments would be made in the future, as this property has had a history of leaks. It would be the homeowner's responsibility to cover further issues. The motion was seconded by Comm. Kelley and carried unanimously.

A motion was made to wave the water service turn on fee of \$50.00 for two seasonal shut off customers. The newly approved fee (Resolution #16 of 2024-25 VB) was not intended to gain revenue from seasonal shut offs. The fee will address the implementation of shut offs related to lack of payment and service line issues. Voting was as follows: AYES: Kelley, O'Hara, Sauer NAYS: Clark ABSTANE: Dust.

Monthly financial statements from Treasurer Meagher were reviewed. Capital Project statement was submitted for the Board review.

#### New Business:

- ❖ The generator at the Water plant was in need of an immediate repair, due to a malfunctioning radiator. A quote from DM Shaver Inc. noted the repairs/maintenance were not addressed with past regular maintenance. Comm. Clark made a motion to approve the work be performed. Comm. Kelley seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

#### Old Business:

- ❖ Training for remote reading meters continues; with Ferguson making a visit to both DPW and Village Office in November.
- ❖ Discussion on the progress of the water house sale: the tenant is moving out, necessary preparations for listing the house will be performed.
- ❖ The Village is awaiting the FEMA map approval before it can bid for the sewer plant construction.

As there was no further business to discuss, Comm. Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. The motion was seconded by Comm. Dust and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynnette Carver  
Village Clerk