

February 10, 2025

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, Trustee Shawn Prievio, and Queen Central News reporter Doug Cleveland.

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

Comm. Clark made a motion to pay all audited water bills on Abstract # 9 in the amount of \$11,722.15 and all audited sewer bills on Abstract #9 in the amount of \$11,317.91; inclusive of Capital Project-Sewer Plant bills, totaling \$973.50. 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 samples collected on 1/16, Total Coliform Samples collected on 1/23.
- ❖ Replaced lead chlorine pump check valve & ball valve. Also replaced the interior roller and tubing again this month.
- ❖ Water meter reading began at the end of the month. We have had a lot of assistance from the homeowners this time, with many of the exterior readers being inaccessible, fortunately many people have been calling them in!
- ❖ 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 1/17 & 1/23.
- ❖ We continue to complete Covid Surveillance sampling once per week, with samples being sent via UPS on Tuesday afternoons.
- ❖ Exercised the generator weekly.
- ❖ We developed an abundance of filamentous bacteria, which quickly began impeding our ability to settle the solids. This became a very delicate situation with us needing to manually operate the air to the rear side of the ditch, and work to find the best time frame for aerating against settling. We have operated the front inner and outer aerators in automatic mode, which keeps them on timers. We have been able to maintain a quality effluent, while reducing the number of solids and essentially eradicating the filaments (between chlorination and increased pressing).
- ❖ After our wet weather operations last month, we continue to maintain microorganisms in both ditches. We were able to cultivate a healthy living environment for them, as we work to decrease their number. Once we achieve our target number, we will be able to consolidate back to just the outer ditch for the remainder of the season.
- ❖ We have submitted another Water Treatment Chemical Authorization Request, as we continue to work to find a polymer (for the belt filter press dewatering) that can be approved for our outfall. We have been in contact with the DEC and await approval or denial.
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ Pressed sludge for a total of 15,565 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, highlights included:

- ❖ Repaired 8-inch water main was performed without a vacuum trailer.
- ❖ The 120 Water service was discussed and bs ac Comm. Sauer made the motion to continue the 120

New Business:

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

Water Shut-offs beginning in April were discussed.

Chairman O’Hara made the motion to rescind the following (original passage @ WS January meeting):

Supt. Heller reported the following: During annual maintenance of the water plant generator, by DM Shaver, the governor broke. A quote for the repair of the generator was discussed and approved. Comm. Clark made the motion to advertise for sealed RFP’s to design and build a WTP generator. Comm. Dust seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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Resolution #6 of 2024/25

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSAL FROM CEDARWOOD (FORMALLY D/B/A BLUELINE ENGINEERING) FOR THE GENERATOR REPLACEMENT OF THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

WHEREAS, the Village water treatment generator was reported by DM Shaver to be in disrepair.

WHEREAS, the same generator is key to the functioning of the Water treatment plant in a power outage.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: by the Water and Sewer Board of the Village of Camden, Oneida County, New York, as follows:

Sec. 1. The Water and Sewer Board will approve the proposed plans by Cedarwood Engineering to replace the generator at the Water treatment plant, located at Skinner Settlement Road.

A motion was made by Comm. Clark to adopt Resolution #6 of 2024/25. Seconded by Comm. Dust and carried unanimously.

Ayes – O’Hara, Sauer, Clark, Dust, Kelley Nays – none Absent – none

Resolution # 7 OF 2024/25

SALE OF WATER HOUSE

WHEREAS the Water and Sewer Board have owned and maintained a caretaker’s house at the Village of Camden Water Reservoir.

WHEREAS the Water and Sewer Board has not employed a caretaker for many years and the house transitioned to rental property. The Water and Sewer Board does not wish to hold rental property.

WHEREAS the Water and Sewer Board by Resolution #1 of 2023-2024 have decided to sell said surplus property.

WHEREAS the Water and Sewer Board have caused a survey of the property to be performed by Renodin Plumley. (reference Abstract #12 of 2024 May)

WHEREAS the Water and Sewer Board have requested and received an approval from the Town Planning Board to subdivide the property; and all necessary paperwork has been filed with Oneida County.

WHEREAS the Water and Sewer Board have listed the house with R.A. Wilkes Real Estate for the fair market value of \$174,900.00

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Village of Camden Water and Sewer Board agrees to the sale price for \$170,000.00.

Comm. Clark made a motion to approve the resolution and Comm. Kelly seconded.
AYES: O'Hara, Sauer, Clark, Dust, Kelley NAYES: None ABSENT: None

Old Business:

❖ The Village is still awaiting the DEC/FEMA map update for the Sewer plant.

Chapter 145.1-145.5 was reviewed and changes were proposed.

Chapter 145 review will continue next month will be reviewed next month.

As there was no further business to discuss, Comm. Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. The motion was seconded by Comm. Dust and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynnette Carver
Village Clerk