

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE WOODRIDGE LAKE SEWER DISTRICT SEWER AUTHORITY AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WOODRIDGE LAKE SEWER DISTRICT TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M. HELD REMOTELY THROUGH ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Raymond Turri called the meeting to order at 3:03PM.

**ATTENDANCE:** Board members attending Raymond Turri, Alfred Shull, Richard Reis, James Mersfelder, Alternate Jerry Abrahams, also attending Tax Collector/Clerk Laurie Mosley, Plant Superintendent Mark Theriault and Norval Lunan.

**EXCUSED:** Dave Hazan

Ray Turri asked that agenda item 7 New Business, be moved to item number 2 for discussion of voting in a new alternate member. **A MOTION WAS MADE BY**, Alfred Shull seconded by Richard Reis to move item 7, New Business to item 2. **All in favor. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**NEW BUSINESS-**Ray Turri introduced Norval Lunan to the board. Norval has DEEP experience, construction experience and was the owner of a business for 40 years. He has a lot he could offer in helping the board. Norval moved here 3 years ago. Ray asked Norval to tour the plant and pump stations, and meet the employees, which they did last week. Norval researched the District both in minutes and the website; he decided to take the alternate seat that is open on the board. **A MOTION WAS MADE BY**, Raymond Turri, seconded by Richard Reis; to appoint Norval Lunan as an alternate member of the Woodridge Lake Sewer District Board. No corrections or discussions. All in favor. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY**, Raymond Turri seconded by Richard Reis; to seat alternate Jerry Abrahams as a voting member in the absence of David Hazan. All in favor. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the regular board meeting held August 10, 2021 was presented for approval. **A MOTION WAS MADE BY**, Richard Reis seconded by Alfred Shull; to approve said minutes as presented. No corrections or discussions. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**REPORT FROM PLANT SUPERINTENDENT AKA CHIEF OPERATOR- MARK THERIAULT**

- At the last meeting we discussed repairing the driveway at the plant. Bill Colby had begun the repair on 500ft. of it. Ray and Mark discussed having the entire driveway repaired and paved. Bill has all the asphalt removed and is in the process of putting down gravel. He also replaced 2 cross pipes down by the first gate. After talking with Ray again, Mark was informed that we are no longer looking to pave the driveway at this time and will have a gravel road for now.
- At the last meeting Mark talked about all the repairs that needed to be done at station 6 due to a lightning strike/power surge. He had hoped that all the issues were behind him. However, issues with pump 2 tripping out surfaced again. Mark had Roy and Scott from Turri Masterson, look at the issue, Ray had them replace the main breaker again and it also tripped out. He called Eastern to look into possible issues with the pump. Eastern found a possible intermittent short and would come back to test the pump. Eastern returned tested the pump and found a short; Mark had them leave the pump in place while they ordered parts (so that we could use it in an emergency). Eastern received the parts, came back and pulled the pump and are in the process of rebuilding it. We should have it back in service in a week or so.

- The issue Mark mentioned at the last meeting with some of the stations not polling seems to have resolved itself, for now. He had Dean from NCI on standby if it should resurface then maybe we can catch it.
- Eastern ordered the pumps and controls for the plant manhole, due to Covid, parts are taking a lot longer to get. Eastern has most of the materials they will need but are waiting on a couple. As soon as all the materials are in hand, they will be here to do the work.
- Conor and Mark replaced 6 air drops in the east digester and 2 in the west digester. The oil and belts were changed on the blower motors at the plant and all the gate valves at the plant were exercised as well.
- Mark had Eastern here to look at station 9 due to pumps 1 and 2 sucking air. It was found that the transducer in the wet well was going bad and the pumps were not turning on and off when they were set to do so. Eastern had to order the transducer overnight air, and did the repair the next day.
- FLOWS: the average daily flow for August was 95,000gpd and the total rainfall was 5.80in. The average daily flow to date for September is 149,000gpd
- Mark did comment that when the remnants of the hurricane hit last week, he had to stay at the plant, he had issues with high water at station 5, and one of the pumps became air born with the crazy flow. We received over 4 inches of rain in that 24 hours and had a 200,000gpd reading for that day.

#### **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Under Financial Reports, in David's absence, Laurie reported that our income was over budget due to collected interest charges on delinquent payments, a new permit and regular collections were up. Expenses were over budget mainly due to the driveway project. Laurie commented that the payments have been journaled as an expense but should be moved to capital projects. The board agreed. Laurie reported on the delinquent list. We are in good shape with collections. We currently have 49 delinquents next to 62 last year at this time. We did get a payoff in the Coons property this month, which was \$5874. On a sad note, Laurie reported that she was just notified that our State Marshal Joseph Parrillo passed away this past Sunday. He did a great job for the district and will be missed. She talked to State Marshal Art Quinn (who is also the head of the Litchfield County District of State Marshals) for guidance on how to proceed. He suggested sending a letter to all tax payers that are under Tax Warrants stating what had happened. Also ask for any verification of payment for the past two months (how long Joseph had been sick and out of his office). If anyone has made a payment it will have to go through probate court. If verification is sent, we will honor the payment amount. Laurie will give these tax payers the opportunity to pay their delinquent taxes without Marshal cost (15%) if paid within 30 days, after that they will be sent to Art Quinn, State Marshall, as our new Marshal.

At 3:24PM **A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Alfred Shull, seconded by Richard Reis to go into Executive Session. No discussion, **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

At 3:47PM **A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Alfred Shull, seconded by Richard Reis to come out of Executive Session. No discussion, **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**OPEN END ISSUES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS IF ANY-** None

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Alfred Shull, seconded by Richard Reis, to adjourn at 3:48PM. No discussion, **SO VOTED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred L. Shull, Clerk

Laurie Mosley, Recording Clerk

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