

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, APRIL 13, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M. HELD REMOTELY THROUGH ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING

CALL TO ORDER: Raymond Turri called the meeting to order at 3:01PM.

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

EXCUSED: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the regular board meeting held March 9, 2021 were presented for approval.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Richard Reis, seconded by David Hazan; to approve said minutes as presented. No corrections or discussions. **SO VOTED.**

REPORT FROM PLANT SUPERINTENDENT AKA CHIEF OPERATOR- MARK THERIAULT

- Goshen Oil was here to replace the unit heater in the garage. The old heater burned out and could not be repaired. The new heater seems to be running a lot more efficiently and burning less fuel.
- Eastern Water was here to do the rebuild on the other half of station 5. That station is up and running fine now.
- The John Deere tractor was returned from United Ag-Turf (Stanton) a couple of weeks ago. The timing chain cover, oil pan gasket, front axle pivot bushing, rock shaft gasket and hydro pump gasket along with a leak in the a/c system were repaired.
- Billy and Conor finished there Sacramento courses and mailed in the exam for scoring. It looks like the state may be doing something different for the Operator Certification Exam. Mark called Craig to check. Both Billy and Connor will be taking the state exam as soon as it's given, Mark expect them to pass.
- Mark issued one permit for lot #99 on Rockwall Court.
- Mark talked to Eastern Water about the TV work on the force main at station 9. Eastern is trying to coordinate the work with Michaels and Universal and will let him know on the timing.
- Flows: The average daily flow for March was 119,000gpd and the total rainfall was 2.02in. The average daily flow for April is 125,000gpd. and the total rainfall has been 0.35in. Ground water is coming up, getting back to normal from last year's drought. This was probably due to snow melt, all of which can increase our flows.
- Mark contacted Bill Ingram, Superintendent at the Great Barrington Massachusetts treatment plant to cover for him on April 14th to the 18th as he will be away. Bill has a CT Class 4 certification and will be at the plant from 7:00am – 1:00pm on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Bill will be available on Saturday and Sunday in the case of an emergency but will not be at the plant on those days. The cost to have Bill Ingram here is \$100/Hr. including his travel time (8hrs. per day Total) X 3 Days. Mark will be able to be reached on his cell phone if needed.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Under Financial Reports, David reported Income for March was pretty much in line with the budget. Expenses were up due to investing in spare check valves, the rebuild of pump 1 at Pump Station 5 and the repairs to the tractor.

Laurie reported on the delinquent report. We have 31 taxpayers in arrears for a total of \$42,219.43 compared to last year's 28, \$31,900.74. The temporary reduced rate of interest that only applies to the January 1 installment of taxes reverted back to the 18% (verse 3%) for any unpaid taxes on April 1. Laurie sent out intent to lien and/or warrant letters which has helped the payments to come in.

Richard reported on the proposed 2021-2022 budget. He is finalizing the letter and spreadsheet with Laurie and should be mailed out early next week to Taxpayers.

At 3:20PM **A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Alfred Shull, seconded by Richard Reis to go into Executive Session. No discussion, **SO VOTED.**

At 3:40PM **A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Alfred Shull, seconded by Richard Reis to come out of Executive Session. No discussion, **SO VOTED.**

OPEN END ISSUES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS IF ANY- Laurie Mosley asked that the board approve a refund. Krysia Bibro or 184 Wellsford Drive has an overpayment of \$11.30 on her 2018GL account. She would like a refund. **A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Alfred Shull, seconded by Richard Reis to approve the said refund. No discussion, **SO APPROVED.**

NEW BUSINESS- none

SLATE OF OFFICERS 2020-2021- Ray Turri reminded the board that we are under an Executive Order to allow election of members by remote access. The slate of Officers was presented as follows by President Ray Turri:

SLATE OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE WOODRIDGE LAKE SEWER DISTRICT 2021/2022

Nominated, all to serve a one (1) year term:

Raymond A. Turri, President
James L. Mersfelder, Vice President/Treasurer
Alfred L. Shull, Clerk
David Hazan, Director
Richard Reis, Director

**SLATE OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF
THE WOODRIDGE LAKE SEWER DISTRICT SEWER AUTHORITY**

Nominated, to serve a three (3) year term:

Raymond A. Turri, Chairman	Term to expire April 2022
James L. Mersfelder, Vice Chairman	Term to expire April 2022
Alfred L. Shull, Secretary	Term to expire April 2023
David Hazan, Member	Term to expire April 2024
Richard Reis, Member	Term to expire April 2023

Alternates-

Jerry Abrahams	Term to expire April 2024
Vacancy	Term to expire April 2022

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Alfred Shull, seconded by Richard Reis, to elect the slate of officers as presented. No discussion, all in favor, **SO VOTED.**

SETTING OF A DATE FOR THE MEETING OF THE VOTERS OF WLS D FOR THE ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING, LAYING THE TAX AND FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021- Discussion occurred on when the meeting would be held. Many factors have changed. Most years we have held the meeting after the WLPOA meeting to make it easier on taxpayers. Now that we are holding the meeting by Zoom (remotely) we do not have to schedule it on the same day as WLPOA. It was decided to schedule it May 18th, third Tuesday of the month, at 3:00PM and to move the regularly scheduled Board meeting (normally second Tuesday) to follow the Budget meeting. This would allow enough time to get out the budget by mail and advertise the meeting.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY James Mersfelder, seconded by Richard Reis, to schedule the annual budget meeting for May 18, 2021 at 3:00PM via zoom. No discussion, **SO VOTED**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY James Mersfelder, seconded by Richard Reis, to adjourn at 3:57PM. No discussion, **SO VOTED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred L. Shull, Clerk

Laurie Mosley, Recording Clerk
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