

PORT EWEN WATER & SEWER BOARD MEETING
MARCH 10, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 with the following members in attendance:

Donald Kiernan, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Superintendent
Ronald Phillips
Kevin Rentfrow
Michael Tronolone
Larry VanVliet

Excused was Eric Balash, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Foreman. Absent were Douglas DeKoskie and Wayne Freer, Liaison from the Esopus Town Board.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by acting Chairman Ronald Phillips.

1. MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2015 MEETING

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KEVIN RENTFROW AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL TRONOLONE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 11, 2015 MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERSPRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Commissioner Michael Tronolone inquired about the new trailer. Superintendent Kiernan replied that it is at Spinnenweber's awaiting lettering.
- B. Superintendent Kiernan advised the board that an M-Scope had to be purchased. This is a pipe locator.

3. FOREMAN REPORT

This report is included with the agenda.

4. TANK PAINTING/REPLACEMENT - OWNER LETTER - E MAIL

Superintendent Kiernan has sent another e-mail to the owner of the property, but has not received a response.

5. HARRIS - METER READ INTERFACE - FINISH AND BADGER WORK

Superintendent Kiernan reported that there are a few issues to be straightened out. It has been difficult to reach Harris by phone; Badger responds right away to e-mails. There is an issue with some test files. While the superintendent can fix some things, Harris and Badger need to work out other fixes.

6. LOCAL LAW TOWN OF ULSTER - METERS

There is nothing new to report on this agenda item.

7. METERS

Superintendent Kiernan advised the board that the department is ready to order the next three hundred meters. The Flexibill annual maintenance invoice can be held back until Harris and Badger work out the fixes.

8. STATE AUDIT - FEMA

There is nothing new to report on this agenda item.

9. H A C H - SERVICE CONTRACT

The service contract with HACH is almost the same as last year; it is \$9,708.49. Superintendent Kiernan requested approval for renewal from the board.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RONALD PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RENTFROW TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH HACH COMPANY. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

10.TURBIDITY VIOLATION - P A C VS ALUM

Superintendent Kiernan notified the board that the river's water was so cold that aluminum sulfate was not reacting. At this time Poly Aluminum Chloride—PAC—is being used. PAC works quickly, even when the river's water is hovering at thirty-two degrees. Four more fifty-five-gallon drums of PAC will be purchased to get through the rest of the winter. If at any time aluminum sulfate is not working, the switch can be made to use PAC.

Commissioner Larry VanVliet asked if using PAC carries any health risks. Superintendent Kiernan replied no; the Health Department requires reporting turbidity violations to the newspaper. Commissioner Kevin Rentfrow inquired about the cost; Superintendent Kiernan will get comparison figures and will also check if PAC is a registered chemical.

11.EXPENDITURE REPORT

An expenditure report is included with this month's agenda. There is not a revenue report.

12.MAPPING/VALVE BOOKS/SEWER TIE SHEETS - MIKE & TIM - DIGITAL RECORDS

Central Hudson has given the department digitized files, and will give a USB stick. It will be possible to scan valve box files, which are pdf files. The employee will be able to take a computer along.

13.COMPUTER

Superintendent Kiernan asked the board for a new laptop computer, so the old one can be used in the field with the digitized files mentioned in item #12. The estimate he presented is for \$1,300 for a Dell "Latitude" laptop with 4G. The board discussed this. The consensus was that this price is expensive; for this price there should be 8G. Superintendent Kiernan will get other prices for the board's review.

14.PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RONALD PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL TRONOLONE TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT UPON REMOVAL OF THE FLEXIBILL VOUCHER. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

15.ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BYH RONALD PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY LARRY VANVLIET TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Meschi, Secretary
Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board