

PORT EWEN WATER & SEWER BOARD MEETING

MAY 8, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Port Ewen Water and Sewer Board was held on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 with the following members in attendance:

Donald Kiernan, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Superintendent
Douglas DeKoskie
Kevin Rentfrow
Michael Tronolone
Larry VanVliet
Donna McAuley, Liaison from the Esopus Town Board

Absent were Ronald Phillips and Peter Koelli, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Foreman.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Douglas DeKoskie at 7:31 PM.

1. MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 2012

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUGLAS DEKOSKIE AND SECONDED BY LARRY VANVLIET TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 10, 2012 MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

2. FOREMAN REPORTS

a. PETER KOELLI - STROKE

Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that Peter is home and is doing better.

b. ERIC BALASH ACTING FOREMAN

3. BIRCHES - EASEMENTS - NO WORD

Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that he was contacted by Lou Naccarato regarding the easements. The Health Department is still requiring a grease trap.

4. FEMA/SEMO

There has been a little action on this item. Superintendent Kiernan met with Ulster County Executive Michael Hein; we now have a congressional inquiry about why our money has not been refunded. Mr. Hein has contacted Kirsten Gillibrand's office. Also, the Superintendent called Kirsten Gillibrand's aide, Susan Spears. In a letter written by Lawrence O'Reilly, it is obvious that Mr. O'Reilly has not read the file. Dennis Larios is composing a letter in response. Superintendent Kiernan has all the project worksheets, which show approvals for funding.

5. RONDOUT HARBOR GENERATOR

a. RFP SENT OUT

Four requests were sent out.

b. PROPOSAL

One proposal has been received: \$16,000 and \$2,900 to install

Commissioner Larry VanVliet inquired about these estimates and subsequent decision. Superintendent Kiernan confirmed that this is the time for quotes. No decision has been made.

6. PLANT WORK

a. BEAMS

Superintendent Kiernan hired Steve Cross to reinforce sixteen beams. He is looking at any other necessary work on the beams.

b. PAINTING

The painting is almost finished.

c. DOORS

The doors are installed.

d. LETTERING

The lettering on the clarifiers is complete.

7. PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUGLAS DEKOSKIE AND SECONDED BY LARRY VANVLIET TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

8. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Commissioner Larry VanVliet inquired about the repair of a well pump. Superintendent Kiernan replied that there was a possibility of a lightning strike.
- b. Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that he attended a conference in Saratoga for three days. He learned about new EPA rules for disinfecting by products and surface water treatment and the consideration of lowering the chloride level, among other items. Our new water sampling begins in October, 2012. The annual cost of \$500-\$600 (approximately) will be included in the 2014 budget.
- c. Commissioner Michael Tronolone mentioned that dredging is to begin tomorrow, May 9, 2012.
- d. Commissioner Kevin Rentfrow inquired about the status of the lights at the water treatment plant. Superintendent Kiernan explained that Alliance is no longer on board; Lyme Energy is working with Central Hudson. Some cost may now be involved. Superintendent Kiernan will make a phone call about this tomorrow, May 9, 2012.
- e. Commissioner Larry VanVliet expressed concern about stabilizing the fence surrounding the Doris Street pump station, asking if there needs to be an additional piece to prevent rattling. Superintendent Kiernan will check on this.
- f. Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that there is \$214,000 remaining in the Water District budget and \$111,000 remaining in the Sewer District budget.
- g. Commissioner Rentfrow inquired about smoke testing. Superintendent Kiernan replied that the necessary equipment has arrived. There was a matter of resolving payments that were not received/cashed which delayed our order. He answered that, as time allows, smoke testing will resume. The areas of Doris Street and Avon Park will be first.
- h. Chairman Douglas DeKoskie asked if any correspondence has been received from the City of Kingston engineer or the DEC concerning the storm water I & I report. Superintendent Kiernan replied no.

- i. Commissioner Larry VanVliet inquired about Dyno Nobel's water use. Superintendent Kiernan replied that, yes, the facility is still using water to manufacture specialized blasting caps.
- j. Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that the developer of the "40 Bumps" property has plans for twenty-five single family homes. There will be a right of way to the Plantasie interceptor. A pump station, owned and maintained by the property owner, will be placed on one of the lots.
 - (1.) The Board discussed Superintendent Kiernan's suggestions to the Planning Board's engineer about any new developments planned for Port Ewen. Because of new monitoring, the Water & Sewer Department needs to be given information about these developments.

9. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUGLAS DEKOSKIE AND SECONDED BY LARRY VANVLIET TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Meschi, Secretary
Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board