

PORT EWEN WATER & SEWER BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 11, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 with the following members in attendance:

Donald Kiernan, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Superintendent
Eric Balash, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Foreman
Kevin Rentfrow
Michael Tronolone
Larry VanVliet

Absent were Douglas DeKoskie, Ronald Phillips and Wayne Freer, Liaison from the Esopus Town Board.

Visitors attending were Diane McCord, Town Board member, and Jack Saalweacher, candidate for the Town Board.

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM by acting Chairman Larry VanVliet.

1. MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF JULY 14, 2015 MEETING.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KEVIN RENTFROW AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL TRONOLONE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 14, 2015 MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

2. FOREMAN'S REPORT

Eric Balash's report is included. Commissioner Michael Tronolone inquired about the number of water breaks during July. Foreman Balash replied that there were two breaks.

3. TANK PAINTING/REPLACEMENT - SUPERVISOR LETTER - RECEIVED CALL FROM MR. D'ANNA

Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that Mr. Carl D'Anna, Jr. phoned after receiving a letter from Town Supervisor Kyle Barnett. His mother's health issues have been the reason he has not contacted Superintendent Kiernan until this time. Mr. D'Anna intends to make a trip here within two or three weeks to view the property. Superintendent Kiernan also pointed out that tank companies are calling about the job.

4. MAPPING/VALVE BOOKS/ DEWER TIE SHEETS - MIKE & TIM - DIGITAL RECORDS

Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that all information is completed and recorded on the computer in the water plant and on the lap top used in the field. Eight or ten maps were re-drawn during this process. Having digital records will be a big help and will save time.

5. WATER BREAKS

There were two water breaks during the month of July.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that the DEC will now be listing aluminum sulfate in their Chemical Bulk Storage guide. Mr. Tronolone asked if we will continue to use aluminum sulfate. Superintendent Kiernan replied yes. The poly aluminum chloride in 55-gallon drums is not subject to containment.
- B. Commissioner Ronald Phillips asked about contractual expenses for each district at the July 14, 2015 meeting. Superintendent Kiernan printed out the figures that Mr. Phillips wanted to see.
- C. Commissioner Larry VanVliet mentioned installing posts around the well heads that are near the water plant. Superintendent Kiernan acknowledged that is a good idea; he will have this done. "Posted" signs will also be put up, to discourage kayakers from getting off at the water plant property.
- D. Mr. Tronolone inquired about Dyno Nobel's usage. Superintendent Kiernan replied that there is no longer any sewer usage from them. The biggest customer now is the Laundromat.

E. Commissioner Kevin Rentfrow asked if the VPN is working well at the plant. Superintendent Kiernan said yes, it is great; only nothing can be printed out at the plant. Mr. Rentfrow pointed out that there is a procedure to print.

7. SEPTEMBER MTG. IS ON THE 15TH

8. HYDRANT FLUSHING SEPT 28 TO OCT 2

There will be an ad in the newspaper prior to September 28th.

9. HOLLAND CONTRACT - PRICE DOWN 10%

Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that Holland has lowered prices for aluminum sulfate and requested that the superintendent sign the contract. Inspection of the tank will be needed in three years.

10.215 METERS INSTALLED AS OF 8/5

Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that there are about 175 meters in stock; by the end of November all meters will have been installed. There are Badger meters at Tucker Pond; the meter tops were obtained to enable them for radio read. Mr. VanVliet requested that it be explained to these customers that in the past they were not charged for water. Foreman Balash mentioned that there is complete information available for anyone with questions. Town Councilwoman Diane McCord requested that meter replacement information be offered to her and to Mr. Jack Saalweacher.

11.ALARMS MONITORED AND CHECKED EACH DAY. SET ALARMS OFF FOR TEST.

Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that Safeco tests alarms every day, in the middle of the night; they pick up everything at the pump stations. Mr. VanVliet asked about the process of notification: For example, if there is no signal. Superintendent Kiernan replied yes, they are very good about notifying.

12.PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LARRY VAN VLIET AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL TRONOLONE TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

13.ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LARRY VAN VLIET AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RENTFROW TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Meschi, Secretary
Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board