

PORT EWEN WATER & SEWER BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 8, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board was held on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 with the following members in attendance:

Donald Kiernan, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Superintendent

Eric Balash, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Foreman

Douglas DeKoskie, Chairman

Kevin Rentfrow

Michael Tronolone

Donna McAuley, Liaison from the Esopus Town Board

Absent were Ronald Phillips and Larry VanVliet.

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by Chairman Douglas DeKoskie.

1. MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2013 MEETING

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUGLAS DEKOSKIE AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RENTFROW TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2013 MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

2. DYN0 -- CITY OF KINGSTON/ESOPUS AGREEMENT -- DISCHARGE

Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that there are no new developments regarding this agenda item.

3. BIRCHES

Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that Esopus Town Supervisor, John Coutant, wrote a letter to the county Health Department regarding the grease trap at Birches. The Health Department will not become involved; it is a matter for the Department of Environmental Conservation now. Commissioner Michael Tronolone asked if the electric bill is still in Birches' name; Superintendent Kiernan replied yes. Mr. Aaron has told town officials that he will pay the Central Hudson bill from his own finances.

4. SAMPLING N BWAY -- RESULTS

Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that the sewer sampling results are beautiful; they are included with this agenda. Foreman Balash takes the samples, which have all been well below city standards for almost four months.

5. FOREMAN REPORT

Foreman Balash's report is included with this month's agenda. A note about all hydrants having been flushed: Three hydrants will be replaced.

6. BUDGETS

The Town Board has finished meeting with the various boards. The Town Board is positive about the Water/Sewer Board having a reserve fund in the water budget. Superintendent Kiernan suggested that maybe \$10,000.00 in the sewer budget would be a good idea.

7. V P N

Superintendent Kiernan advised the board that everything is working well and makes things a lot easier.

8. TANK INSPECTION REPORT

The report recommends painting the tank in four to five years. Superintendent Kiernan thinks four years would be a good idea. The tank was last painted in 1995; a lot has changed since then. Michael Tronolone inquired about the paint being environmentally friendly back then.

9. N Y S DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND STORM MITIGATION LOAN PROGRAM

Superintendent Kiernan attended a conference on this, and tomorrow, October 9, 2013 at 3:00 PM he will be part of a meeting with the City of Kingston Water Department to discuss a project related to a joint water main connecting both municipalities. He invited all commissioners to attend this meeting. The City of Kingston is receptive to this type of project. Superintendent Kiernan expects engineers to compose a report that indicates a twelve-inch main; a plan that would continue to pressurize our system

for drinking water, but not necessarily for fire protection. The superintendent also mentioned he will be speaking with Dennis Larios about a plan to waterproof the doors of the water treatment plant.

10.MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Commissioner Michael Tronolone asked about the status of exceeding our quotas. Superintendent Kiernan replied that there have been no violations all year, even with the storms we have had.

- B. Commissioner Michael Tronolone inquired about the Glasco water meters. Superintendent Kiernan said it is difficult to find water meters that do not contain a small amount of lead. Those that are lead-free cost an additional \$60-\$70. He is making an effort to find some, although our town's water is not corrosive. Changing the 1,400 meters would amount to about half a million dollars. Commissioner Rentfrow mentioned an AP to put on a mobile device for meter readers. Mr. Tronolone suggested people could be given a tablet for recording.

11.BILLS MAILED

Superintendent Kiernan has received phone calls since the bills were mailed.

12.PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MICHAEL TRONOLONE AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RENTFROW 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 KEVIN RENTFROW AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL TRONOLONE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Meschi, Secretary
Port Ewen Water/Sewer Board