

PORT EWEN WATER AND SEWER BOARD MEETING
February 11, 2025

Present:

Chairman Doug DeKoskie
George Post
Kevin Rentfrow
Nicholas Butler, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Superintendent
Mike Dauner, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Foreman
Town Board Liaison Jared Geuss

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:07 PM by Superintendent Butler.

Councilman Geuss noted that discussion had taken place to have the W&S Board engaged to provide comments on particular projects in the future. There had been litigation with the City of Kingston which had been settled. The new contract with the City would be negotiated in the future (the present contract would be expiring). Chairman DeKoskie suggested putting discussion of the new contract on the W&S agenda in the upcoming months. The Chairman also stated that there should be representation from Esopus on the Board overseeing improvements in the City of Kingston.

Supt. Butler clarified that Chairman DeKoskie should represent on the teams meeting.

George Post noted that the Memorial Day Parade was being organized for May 2025.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2025 MEETING – Upon Motion of Chairman DeKoskie, seconded by Member Post, and all in favor, the minutes were tabled.

OLD BUSINESS:

Big 3:

Distribution System: 90% planning phase has been completed and could go to the NYS Department of Health when approved by the Town Board. Next step would be to get to 100% planning completed (East Main and East Stout) and send to the State. Supt. Butler was hoping to get the completed plan within the week. 9W Corridor and Hasbrouck loop had been approved and Engineer Valentine had provided notification of the next steps which included developing bid specs. A pre-bid meeting date with potential contractors had been suggested by Engineer Valentine.

Water Treatment Plant: Completed. Foreman Dauner stated that the initial assessment completed by Tighe & Bond could be built upon in the future. This would apply to the distribution as well.

Water Tank: Foreman Dauner stated the base ring was presently being installed and the cement pour should take place in the Spring. The installation of the tank in the Town of Ulster had been completed.

Task List:

Control Panel – Tim Trisario (systems integrator) of Avanti Control Systems had been providing services and agreed to work on development of bid specs for the control panel. Engineer Valentine had received the documentation for review and would be providing notice for the Daily Freeman to advertise. Some Town Boards had resolved to name experts that provided services on a regular basis. Chairman DeKoskie suggested the possibility of establishing an RFP which specified specialized services. Currently, the bidding process was governed by the ARPA grant funding but in the future, RFP could be created to garner experienced specialized services. Listing qualifications, experience and requirements in an RFP could promote future bid participants.

Engineering Planning Grant (EPG) – Erin Moore of Tighe & Bond looking for pertinent available grants.

UCHD Report – Nothing to report.

Lead Service Line Inventory – The webpage to load inventory was missing from the Town website and would be restored. Individuals had occasionally been providing the information utilizing the link on the website.

Hudson 7 – Nothing to report.

Foreman Report - January 2025 Report had been provided by Foreman Dauner (annexed hereto). Foreman provided a brief recap of the noted water main breaks.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lake Shore Villa Update – Chairman DeKoskie would be attending future meetings with the Town and representatives. Kevin Rentfrow expressed concern if the inclusion of Lake Shore to the system would ever create an issue that placed a burden on the existing system at the expense of the Town. Mike Dauner stated a generator should be required for the proposed pump station. Chairman DeKoskie recommended the creation of a check list of minimum requirements for the pump station design. He provided a copy of a February 6, 2025 letter to the Town received earlier in the day to W&S Members who were requested to specifically consider items #3-#5 to provide input to the Town.

Chairman stated that the proposed numbers needed to be fluid to be taken into consideration when contract was negotiated between Esopus and Kingston. Foreman Dauner recommended requirement to provide maintenance agreement upon request as well as the use of a flow meter. Chairman stated the ability for future hookups if ever requested was addressed in the written agreement proposal to either allow or deny with specifics.

Supt. Butler suggested action items to focus on should be to talk about the proposal. Members concurred that item #3. for proposed \$50,000.00 hookup fee was reasonable. Councilman Geuss asked what Members would like provided from the Town Board. #4 and #5 were acceptable as proposed to Members Post and Rentfrow but Chairman DeKoskie wanted to review further before responding and establishing fees that would be addressed in an agreement. Councilman Geuss stated written confirmation to the developers could be provided, indicating that the Town was working in good faith to allow Members adequate time to review. Superintendent Butler asked if it would be beneficial to have a representative meet with the W & S Board. Chairman DeKoskie would negotiate on behalf of the W & S Board to get information as needed. Members were requested to have input to provide at the March 2025 W & S Meeting.

The next meeting with the developers would be on the 18th of February at 3:00 p.m.

Fleet - Ram 2500 Utility vehicle had been ordered and was expected to be delivered in 4-6 weeks.

Water& Sewer Board members – Mike Mulligan had resigned. The Board now had two (2) vacancies.

Vouchers- Distributed to Members for review. Upon Motion of Member Post, seconded by Member Rentfrow, the vouchers were approved for submission for payment.

UPON MOTION OF KEVIN RENTFROW, SECONDED BY GEORGE POST AND ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:43 P.M.

Dated: February 11, 2025

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Mance, Secretary

Approved: March 12, 2025

Port Ewen Water /Sewer District

Monthly Field Report

January 2025

- Mark outs
- Took (5) BAC Samples
- Checked all generators
- Changing /Servicing Water meters
- Service Line Inspections
- Milton Cat repaired Connelly P/S generator X2
- Shop work – cleaning, organizing, cutting pipe
- New plow installed on 5500
- 5500 spec'd for new graphics
- NYS Inspections performed on trailers
- Assisted with quarterly bill preparation
- Replaced water line in pump room at Canal St P/S
- Cold Patch break sites
- Assisted with issues at Treatment Plant
- Final Water Meter reads
- Quarterly Sewer TSS /BOD sample
- 5500 to Sawyer Motors for repair
- Milton Cat out to repair 13 River Rd generator over crank issue
- Installed mud flaps on 5500
- Reread radio read meters for leaks in system
- Leak detecting thru system checking for several breaks
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Sewer Repairs /Inspections:

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Water Breaks:

1. 1/12/2025 – East Stout & Hoyt St – 6" Hub
2. 1/16/2025 – 519 Millbrook Dr – 8" Ring Crack
3. 1/18/2025 – 739 Second Ave – 6" Hub
4. 1/26/2025 – 164 W. Main St. – 6" Ring Crack
5. 1/29/2025 – W. Stout Ave & Green St – 8" Ring Crack
6. 1/30/2025 – 432 Broadway – 10" Hub Repair
7. 1/30/2025 – 364 Broadway – 10" Hub Repair
8. 1/30/2025 – 185 Bayard St – 8" Hub Repair
9. 1/30/2025 – 104 Canal St – 8" Ring Crack

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mike Dauner', written over a horizontal line.

Mike Dauner

Foreman

2/6/2025