

PORT EWEN WATER AND SEWER BOARD MEETING

MAY 11, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board was held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 with the following members in attendance:

Donald Kiernan, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Superintendent

Michael Dauner, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Foreman

Douglas DeKoskie, Chairman

Michael Mulligan

George Post

Kevin Rentfrow

Michael Tronolone

Chris Farrell, Liaison from the Esopus Town Board

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM by Chairman Douglas DeKoskie.

1. MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF APRIL 13, 2021 MEETING

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GEORGE POST AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL MULLIGAN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 13, 2021 MEETING. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

2. TIGHE & BOND - GRANT - DRINKING WATER INFRASTRUCTURE - HYDRAULIC MODEL

Superintendent Kiernan has received a bill from Tighe & Bond. There are no other developments to report during the past month.

3. TANK REPLACEMENT - ACCESS ROAD

Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that the access road continues to be a process. The owners of Lake Shore Villas have agreed to sign off on their portion of the right-of-way. Owner Ken Silver will be taken to court, which will involve a public hearing. The superintendent stated that the eminent domain process could take four months. Town Attorney Kyle Barnett advised that the Town Board meets next on May 20, 2021. Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that Brinier & Larios is 90-95% ready to send their specifications to the Health

Department. Commissioner Kevin Rentfrow inquired about the replacement date. It is the superintendent's guess that the tank could be replaced by June or July 2022.

4. WATER METERS - DUTCHER - RIVERVIEW

Foreman Dauner reported that Riverview will purchase a new meter at the top of North Broadway. The work will be done by Dan Bunten. Forty new devices will be purchased by us for Dutcher; we will be reimbursed at about \$120 each. The meter setters will be made horizontal. This will result in forty new accounts at Dutcher Mobile Home Park.

5. LAKE SHORE VILLAS - SEWER DISTRICT

There are no new developments to report during the past month. (A \$400 late fee for non payment of their water bill was recorded.)

6. FOREMAN REPORTS

The monthly Foreman Report indicates that the crews continue to be very busy.

7. TIGHE & BOND - EFC REIMBURSEMENTS

Tighe & Bond has been working on our 60% reimbursement of the tank project. The expected amount is \$116,000. This will be wired into the Town's bank account.

8. STORAGE TANK BONDING

Superintendent Kiernan will be speaking with Town Supervisor Jared Geuss regarding the storage tank bond.

9. JOB DESCRIPTION SUPT. - DRAFT

Included with this month's agenda is a draft of the Superintendent's job description. Superintendent Kiernan called the County regarding his position, which will be available as of September 14, 2021. Their comment was that, due to COVID-19, the County is not in a position to give a test soon. A test could be given in two years.

10. HUDSON 7 - DEP

A press conference was held last week at Diamond Mills, attended by deputy supervisor Shannon Harris. The Department of Environmental Protection addressed the correlation between discharges in the Esopus Creek and turbidity in the Hudson River. Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that this had a minimal impact on the Town of Esopus. The employees at our water treatment plant know how to run the plant; the water is being treated and the issue is being handled.

11. SOURCE WATER PROTECTION

Superintendent Kiernan notified the Board that the State is directing that all source water programs will be the same. The State will pay for the technical advisors to begin the source water protection program. Hudson 7 will be involved in this directive. Chairman Douglas DeKoskie asked if someone will be sent to help put this plan together. Superintendent Kiernan replied yes.

12. ISO - FLOW TESTS 5/17

On Monday, May 17, 2021 five or six hydrants will be flow tested. This is how the fire rates are set for the district. Superintendent Kiernan advised the Board that he is not in agreement with Tighe & Bond's results for the testing done in Sleightsburg.

13. HOMELAND SECURITY

Superintendent Kiernan reported to the Board that, because of COVID-19, Homeland Security will be doing an inspection of some of the water systems in our county. They will be testing our water system. He is waiting to hear more about this. A possible problem he foresees is with the server in Town Hall.

14. MISCELLANEOUS

The superintendent has no news regarding the electric lines coming down the river.

15.PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KEVIN RENTFROW AND SECONDED BY GEORGE POST TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

16.ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MICHAEL TRONOLONE AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RENTFROW TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Meschi, Secretary
Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board