

PORT EWEN WATER & SEWER BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Port Ewen Water & Sewer Board was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 with the following members in attendance:

Donald Kiernan, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Superintendent
Eric Balash, Port Ewen Water & Sewer Foreman
Douglas DeKoskie, Chairman
Ronald Phillips
Michael Tronolone
Larry VanVliet

Absent were Kevin Rentfrow and Donna McAuley, Liaison from the Esopus Town Board.

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by Ronald Phillips, acting chairman.

1. MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2013 MEETING

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUGLAS DEKOSKIE AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL TRONOLONE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 8, 2013 MEETING. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

2. DYNO—CITY OF KINGSTON/ESOPUS AGREEMENT—DISCHARGE

Superintendent Kiernan reported to the board that there is nothing happening regarding this agenda item.

3. BIRCHES

Superintendent Kiernan advised the board that Central Hudson has reimbursed the Town of Esopus \$6,700. So, the Birches' electric bill is still unpaid. The commissioners discussed this agenda item at length. Board members are concerned that the Town Board disregards the recommendations of this advisory

board; that the on-going grease trap problem is being treated but not solved; that the six

other unresolved pump station issues are not being addressed; that if/when ownership of the pump station is taken over, readings should be taken by the Water/Sewer Department to determine grease violations, which are subject to daily fines. Superintendent Kiernan asked the board if they want to request a meeting with the Town Board or attend a workshop; commissioners directed sending copies of this board's monthly meeting minutes to the Town Board members and/or inviting supervisor Coutant to this board's monthly meetings. Tomorrow, November 13, 2013, Superintendent Kiernan will send a third e-mail to the Esopus Town Board regarding this Birches agenda item. The following motion was drafted:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RONALD PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY DOUGLAS DEKOSKIE TO ADVISE THE FOLLOWING TO THE TOWN BOARD: THE PORT EWEN WATER & SEWER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DOES NOT SUPPORT THE PORT EWEN WATER/SEWER DISTRICT'S OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE OF THE PUMP STATION AT BIRCHES UNTIL ALL UNRESOLVED ITEMS ARE MET AND A GREASE TRAP, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, BY THE PORT EWEN SEWER DEPARTMENT, AND BY THE PORT EWEN WATER & SEWER BOARD, IS INSTALLED. ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

4. SAMPLING N BWAY—RESULTS

Superintendent Kiernan reported that sampling results are great. After four months (out of six) the samples are within established parameters. They are taken twice per week; the superintendent feels that once per week would be sufficient. Superintendent Kiernan has not received a call back.

5. FOREMAN REPORT

Foreman Balash's report is included with this month's agenda.

6. NYS DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND STORM MITIGATION LOAN PROGRAM

After meeting with City of Kingston commissioners, Superintendent Kiernan advised the board that Kingston's commissioners are very positive about working with the Port Ewen Water District on the program. Dennis Larios is working on the preliminary engineer's report, due by April 2014, as well as a separate application to seal the doors of the water plant. Submitting an application does not oblige us; state funds could be an outright grant or a low-interest loan.

7. GAS—HERITAGE

Superintendent Kiernan advised the board that something other than gas was delivered to the highway department tank, which needs to be pumped out and cleaned. Right now the trucks have to go to Heritage, on Sawkill Road, for gas. Commissioner Larry VanVliet recommended that Heritage pay for the pumping and cleaning.

8. INSURANCE CLAIM

Superintendent Kiernan noted that the insurance claim has been paid in the amount of \$4,728.97.

9. MISCELLANEOUS

None

10. TAX ROLL

WATER = 42,216.88

SEWER = 42,030.38

These amounts remain unpaid at this time, reported Superintendent Kiernan.

11. DATE OF MEETINGS DEC. JAN. FEB.

By request, the meeting dates in December, January and February will be changed from Mondays to Wednesdays. The board agreed to meet on:

Wednesday, December 11, 2013

Wednesday, January 15, 2014

Wednesday, February 12, 2014

12. PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RONALD PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY LARRY VANVLIET 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 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 ADJOURNED AT 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Meschi, Secretary
Port Ewen Water/Sewer Board