

VEAZIE SEWER DISTRICT

34 HOBSON AVENUE

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Regular Meeting

June 17, 2013

6:30 PM

1. Call to Order – 6:30 pm
2. Swearing in of Trustee – Norman Webb sworn in.
3. Elections of Trustee Officers – Jim Parker nominates Norman Webb as Clerk and Rob Tomilson as Chair. Motion passes. Norman Webb nominates Jim Parker as treasurer. Motion passes.
4. Consider April & May Meeting Minutes – Accepted as written.
5. Review Agenda – Executive sessions moved to end of meeting.
6. Public Comments – None
7. Warrants
8. Operations Report (3) pH Violations – Due to high nitrification and algae bloom. We changed the DO control for pond 3 to continuous run and the pH returned to acceptable range. We also changed the angle of the pond 3 aerator to a shallower angle to allow more air into the mix. Violations were reported to the DEP with our solutions. Otherwise working well within our permit. The duckweed has been removed from pond two. We are still encountering comm. loss from Buck Hill. We have replaced the cable and put the antenna up higher. We are still receiving losses. We have a quote from Whitten's for a new antenna. Glucose-Glutamic Acid test came out well as have E. Coli and chlorine. Trustees would like to see the chart for CBOD and TSS since cleaning the TLVs at the next meeting. We received a grant application that we may wish to look at for a future project. Rob Tomilson suggested perhaps the replacement of the clay pipe on Oak Grove Street. This application would require some preliminary engineering work. Dye testing results from Dick Darling showed adequate residence time but his suggestion is that the aerator stays continuously running for adequate mixing. We have a full four option proposal from Sewall but we are now waiting for similar proposals from CES and Woodard and Curran. Our spare LMI pump is now corroded beyond repair. We have now contacted Bangor to see if they have a spare or one that we could buy off them. Old Town has a spare air release valve, so when we start work on ours, we'll let them know.
9. Out Sourcing of Billing – Tabled for a later date
10. Pond 1 Baffle Update – Preparing for delivery. We have obtained tires to fill with cement for ballasts. We will need to replace the current supports with pylons. We should have the baffle by the end of July, beginning of August.
11. Mowing Outskirts Request – Once monthly with the eXmark lawnmower, approved.
12. Buck Hill Communication Losses w/remedies – Reviewed in the Operator's Report.

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13. Payment Plans – Need to create an agreement for the delinquent account holders to sign that will be approved at the next Trustee Meeting. A generic agreement would include account holders name, amount owed, payment plan, time frame and legal jargon. A notice should be sent to the three discussed accounts to introduce this agreement. Interest will still accrue.
14. Treasurer's Report - \$60900 in checking, \$1800 in reserve, \$24300 in accounts receivable (\$9100 outstanding from April), \$15300 that hasn't been received from the last billing, \$0 accounts payable. We are starting to accrue. We have cut back the expense from Woodard and Curran significantly and are currently working on the labor situation. A member of the audience asked how much of the budget is going towards former employees. Jim Parker responded by saying that all money that is due to them by statute has been paid and that no more money will be given to them from this year's budget. It will be paid in future years.
15. Delinquent Accounts – Jim Parker asked what kind of notices delinquent account holders are receiving right now. Charlie Smith responded by saying they receive notice when the bill is 30 days overdue as a reminder and after 90 days a certified letter is sent notifying them of the lien process. Jim Parker would like to be included in the July billing/liens process. Three accounts in Rod Hathaway's name, he paid the debt service and capital reserve, but his tenants were not paying the consumption as they were supposed to.
16. Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A) (Personnel Matter) – motion to move into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S. & 405(6)(A) passes at 7:26PM. Return at 7:33PM
17. Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(E) (which relates to consultation with the District's attorney on its pending contemplated litigation) – motion to move into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S. 405(6) passes at 7:33PM. Return at 7:41PM.
18. Executive Session Pursuant to 1 MRSA sec. 405(6)(E) (which relates to consultation with the District's attorney on its pending contemplated litigation) – motion to move into session passes at 7:41PM. Return at 8:21PM.
19. Executive Session Pursuant to 1 MRSA sec. 405(6) (which relates to consultation with the District's Attorney regarding rights and duties of trustees) – Motion to move into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A 405(6) passes at 8:22PM. Return at 9:02PM.
20. Motion to have Trustee Parker to work with the district's legal council to explore and develop a form of labor agreements under terms and conditions acceptable to the district. Such future agreements shall be subject to approval by the board. Motion passes.
21. Adjournment at 9:03PM