

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 7:30 at the Village Hall.

Present were: Mayor Terry Stark, Trustee Dale Leach, Trustee John Todaro, WWTP Operators Kirk Noetzel and Bill Kelsey, Greg Ross, Gene Rood, Maggie Dorsey, Clerk-Treasurer Shelly Marks

Absent: Trustee Joe Spence and Trustee John O'Connor

Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Student Work based learning Program-Kevin Gilroy has started a program to get students out working in the field. There is a student interested in working at the WWTP to learn the job. His parents are concerned about balancing work/sports/school. It may not work out but we are attempting to bring someone to the Plant. The Village is reimbursed 100% by the RC Smith Foundation up to 300 hours. We would have to put a training plan together first thing. Greg mentioned that we have to tell a student why something is done and not "just because it needs to be done". Give them a background of why something is done to enable them to learn the job and perhaps have this line of work be what he does for a living. Commission will support this program and will see how it works out. Terry will get a job description together and meet with Kevin Gilroy.

Police Vehicle Storage-we have an agreement with Don Golden to store the police vehicles at his garage on Greene Street. This will clear out the WWTP to have their vehicles inside and they can continue to work inside as well. They also have equipment that has to be kept above freezing in the winter. There are winter projects that need to be done and a heated facility is a must. The sewer Jet has to stay warm so the water in the unit doesn't freeze. We will rent out the garage from November – May we will rent out for three vehicles at \$90 each per month.

Bulk Sludge Review-The Plant has been taking sludge since spring of 2012. It is a good source of revenue. The Commission doesn't feel that we should stop accepting the sludge since we have invested several thousand dollars in improvements to the septage receiving situation.

Trustee Leach says the sewer odor came when Barrows was actually dumping sewage at The Plant. The receptacle was at the lower side of the plant but has since been moved about 100' to the other end of the plant. There are currently three companies that use our services. The holding tanks are the worse odor that dumps. Typically, when an odor issue is brought up, there is something going wrong at the plant. The gasses have to escape as the liquid is dumped. Trustee Leach says we moved the receptacle closer to the Village which doesn't help the situation.

Letter from CHA for Contract 2G for the bulk septage. They approved this and it was discussed in a Board Meeting. This was a total different contract. There is a company that shows up 15-16 times a month to dump their sewer trucks.

Maggie mentioned sending a letter to residents and mention that we have just completed a waste water sewer upgrade and to please let us know immediately if they smell any sewer odors so we can address this issue immediately.

We have two issues concerning the WWTP: odor and profitability. We use between 10,000-13,000 a year for revenue. Due to the drying issue, we're making more trips. Not going to make a decision to not accept sewage. We can simply raise the price to deter some of the issues. \$49,000 was the original estimate for this. BOD Levels (which relate to odor issues) may be an issue that we should be looking into.

The WWTP Operators needs time to "work" the plant to see what is or is not working since this plant upgrade. They need time to work things out, find out where the odors are coming from.

It was suggested to complete the odor survey, send the letters to residents and go from there. They don't want to give up bulk sludge dumping if there really isn't an issue.

Bill has been working five (5) days a week at the DPW. Does the Commission wish this to continue, if so, on what schedule? What is the appropriate rate of time needed for Bill to be at The WWTP? Maggie would like to see him there at least once a week for about 4 hours daily to help on two-man jobs. Original plan for Bill to work one day a week working with Kirk. At least four hours a week. Operator and Commissions point of view is that Kirk would like to have Bill work with him every Monday for four (4) hours or 10%. Realistically, working at DPW for a full day makes more sense. Rick will have to know that on Monday, he only has one guy working for him. 20% is what we will plan on to be charged to the Waste Water. 50-50 is how his time is spent on the weekend work.

Capital Project-CHA is coming to the Plant tomorrow and asked the contractors to show up some time between 10:00 and 2:00 to meet with him. We are probably a month away from being totally done. Terry would like to have this group have a tour of the Plant together to see how things are looking.

October 22nd at 1:00 everyone will meet at the Waste Water Plant to get a tour of the Plant.

We have been treating the NYS Veteran's Home like we treat apartments and treat them like any other user. Maggie talked to a Botavia Plant and they said to set fees where we want to and they will pay as they don't want to have to pay for sewer elsewhere.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

Next Regular meeting October 25, 2016