

August 17, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Auburn Sewerage District was held at the Auburn Sewerage District office at 268 Court Street on Tuesday August 17, 2021 at 4:00 PM.

Members present: Robert Cavanagh , Charles Sheehan, Stephen Ness (President), Andrew Titus, Raymond Fortier (Treasurer) and Stephen Milks, Mayor's Representative. Also present: Sid Hazelton, Superintendent, Michael Broadbent, Assistant Superintendent and Tanya Dunn, Finance Manager.

Absent: Shawn MacDonald

On motion of Stephen Milks, seconded by Charles Sheehan, it was unanimously voted: **To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 20, 2021.**

FINANCIAL REPORT – Gallons sold are up 3% year to date with revenues being favorable by \$27,000. Overall expenses are favorable by \$25,000. Cash on hand at the end of July was at \$2 million.

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Raymond Fortier, it was unanimously voted: **To approve the 2020 Annual Audit Report.**

MMA REBATE: The District received a rebate check from MMA Unemployment Fund. Superintendent Hazelton asked for approval to use some of the rebate towards employee recognition some time in the Fall with a cook-out and gift for each employee as was done last year.

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Robert Cavanagh, it was unanimously voted: **To authorize \$1000 towards employee recognition.**

RATIFY PAYMENT OF BILLS

On motion of Robert Cavanagh, seconded by Charles Sheehan, it was unanimously voted: **To ratify the payment of bills in the amount of \$ \$305,534.10 dated July 1, 2021 -July 31 2021.**

OPEN SESSION - K.C.Geiger, Water District Trustee, was in attendance.

ACTIVITY REPORT –The July activity was dictated by the ongoing projects. Mike Broadbent told the Trustees about the good work which was accomplished by summer intern Vanessa Bussiere. She did a lot of the GPS mapping and locating of all the sewer manholes. A couple of roof drains are being rectified.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL - This was brought forward as an FYI. Mike Broadbent told the Trustees that we will seek RFPs for an Operation and Maintenance Manual creating a Capital Improvement Plan for future growth. We want to be able to take advantage of any funding that may become available. This will be brought back to the Trustees for approval.

PROJECT UPDATES

TAYLOR BROOK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – SEWER MAIN RELOCATION –

We have successfully installed a new sewer main around the Taylor Brook bridge on Hotel Rd.

CSO #005 BYPASS DESIGN-The new bypass line is fully operational and we are now cleaning the interceptor. A communication panel has been installed and we can now monitor flows from SCADA. Mike thinks we may have to clean the interceptor 2 or 3 times a year to maintain full capacity.

THIRD ST. SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT – Longchamps has replaced the main from Roak to Gill.

BRADMAN ST PUMP STATION REPLACEMENT – The new valve vault has been installed and connected to the force main. The bypass pumps are to be installed and we will be rehabbing the station completely.

LAWPCA APPORTIONMENT & FINANCIALS – The month of July was still tracking in Lewiston’s favor. We will most likely modify the apportionment from 66/34 to 64/36 for the next few months to bring the numbers back on line.

NPDES PERMIT RENEWAL – We must re-license every 5 years with the Maine DEP. The permits for our two remaining CSOs (Miller St. and Riverside Dr.) expire in September. Applications for renewal have been submitted.

STORMWATER SURGE TANK PRELIMINARY DESIGN UPDATE –The project has been awarded to Woodard and Curran. The work will take place over the next year. The cost apportionment is set at 70% Lewiston and 30% Auburn. There will be a formula moving forward for annual adjustments to the cost apportionment. It will be in our best interest to continue to identify and eliminate stormwater inflow into our sanitary system. The tank needs to operational within the next 5 or 6 years.

FEDERAL INVESTMENT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT -Maine will be receiving \$997million in federal monies. We are not benefiting from the first wave. The City has received \$14million. There will be public hearings to see how the funds will be allocated.

On motion of Robert Cavanagh, seconded by Charles Sheehan, it was unanimously voted: **To adjourn the meeting**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Drinkwater

Approved: September 21, 2021

A true record

Attest: _____

Clerk