

February 21, 2023, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Auburn Sewerage District was held in person at the Auburn Sewerage District office at 268 Court Street on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 4:00pm.

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

Members absent: Raymond Fortier and Thomas Moulin

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Stephen Milks, it was unanimously voted: **To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 17, 2023.**

FINANCIAL REPORT – Revenues are up. Water gallons sold increased by 3 3/4%. The cash on hand is at \$1.5 million.

RATIFY PAYMENT OF BILLS

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Robert Cavanagh, it was unanimously voted: **To ratify the payment of bills in the amount of \$303,236.50 dated January 1, 2023-January 31, 2023.**

OPEN SESSION - As no one from the public was in attendance, the Open Session was closed.

ACTIVITY REPORT /PROJECT UPDATE – The winter months are a good time to clear the x-country sewer lines. This keeps the crews busy and provides the District with access to the sewer lines. We have cleared on Vivian St., E. Hardscrabble Rd., Colonial Way, Sunset Ave. and Bradman St.

The E-3 generator has arrived and ready for start-up.

The issue at 43 Second Street has been resolved. The sewer service has been connected to the sanitary sewer line and the roof drains have been connected to the storm drain. The City paid for half the cost of getting this completed.

NEW AUBURN INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION – The expansion is driven by development. The City is to pay for the Study by Wright-Pierce Engineers. Superintendent Broadbent received draft results of the Study and had a few slides to show the Trustees at the meeting.

There is the possibility of future commercial growth on Washington St. and that would be the most costly.

There is the possibility of mixed use development on South Main St and Vickery Rd. Most of the areas available for development will require pump stations.

Some areas would have to be developed first in order to allow for another to take place.

186 MAIN STREET – The developer would like to re-locate Miller Street which is at the back of the property. The District has two sewer mains in this area and need to retain the right to access and maintain those lines. The City is working with us to develop language for the easement. Superintendent Broadbent has consulted with legal counsel to insure the District is not burdened by the developer.

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LAWPCA APPORTIONMENT & FINANCIALS - The apportionment will remain at 64/36 until more data is gathered.

WASHINGTON ST. PUMP STATION DESIGN – This is ongoing. There are a lot of factors to consider in determining the size of a pump.

MALL AREA MODELING – We are looking at up to 1300 units. Superintendent Broadbent indicated that AR Development plans to put a driveway over an existing sewer main and should consider upsizing a section of pipe from 8” to 12” in that area before all is paved. It would be more costly to fix after the fact. Stephen Milks told Superintendent Broadbent to forward him an email regarding this recommendation and cc to Phil Crowell.

Superintendent Broadbent requested to add an Executive Session to the Agenda.

On motion Stephen Milks, seconded by Charles Sheehan it was unanimously voted: To suspend the rules.

On motion of Stephen Milks, seconded by Robert Cavanagh, it was unanimously voted: **To add an Executive Session**

EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 1 M.R.S.A § 405 (6) C to DISCUSS A PROPERTY MATTER-

The meeting came out of executive session.

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Stephen Milks, it was unanimously voted: **To adjourn the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Drinkwater

Approved: March 21, 2023

A true record,

Attest: 

Clerk