Office of

AUBURN WATER DISTRICT

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The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Auburn Water District will be held **at the office of the Auburn Water District, 268 Court Street, on Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 4:00 P.M.**

Regular Meeting AGENDA

1. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 17, 2026.

2. Financial Report Update -***Michael Bailey.***

3. Public Comment.

4. New Business
   - Draft 5-year Capital Improvement Plan.
   - Draft Charter Changes.
   - 2026 Measuring of the Lake.

5. Old Business
   - Water Quality/Watershed Update.
   - System-Wide Meter Conversion, Status Update.
   - Facilities Assessment, Update.
   - Lake Auburn Infrastructure Planning Study.
   - Lakeshore Drive MPI Project Update.
   - Activity Report.

6. Trustee Open Session.

7. Adjourn Regular Meeting.

Upcoming: Water Trustee Meeting August 19, 2026.

The Regular Meeting of the trustees of the Water District was held at the office of the Auburn Water District, 268 Court Street, on **Wednesday, June 17th, at 4:00 pm**.

Members Present: Denis Bergeron (President), Robert Cavanagh (Treasurer), Jeffrey Harmon, Bruce Rioux, Timothy Simpson, and Eric Gould.
Also present: Mike Broadbent (Superintendent), Mike Abbott (District Engineer), and Mike Bailey (Finance Director).
Public Attendance: Stephen Beal, Evan Cyr, and Mark Chasse.

Agenda Item 1: Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 20th, 2026 – On the **motion of Robert Cavanagh**, seconded by **Bruce Rioux**, it was **voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 20th, 2026.**
Passed 6-0

Agenda Item 2: Financial Report – The Finance Director, Mike Bailey, provided a verbal presentation of the financial report for the preceding month.

Agenda Item 3: Public Comment – Stephen Beal, Evan Cyr, and Mark Chasse were in attendance. Mark commented on the verbiage used in the meter-transition letters sent by HydroCorp. Mark expressed concern about their lack of liability, as presented in the letters, for potentially damaged plumbing fixtures.

Agenda Item 4: New Business
Draft Charter Changes – Included with the packets is a draft of the merged charter document, which is a work in progress. Superintendent Broadbent explained that his initial approach was to combine the language from each existing charter into a single, unified document. However, that process proved challenging and required too much interpretation of the original language. After further discussions with the Greater Augusta Utility District, Superintendent Broadbent revised his approach. Under each section of the proposed charter, he has included two parts: part one contains the approved language from the Water Charter, and part two contains the approved language from the Sewer Charter. He noted that this method, which the Greater Augusta Utility District found to be effective, clearly distinguishes the two divisions while recognizing them as part of a single organization. Superintendent Broadbent will continue refining the draft and keep the Boards informed on his progress.

Lake Auburn Watershed Protection Commission Appointment – The District is responsible for appointing an Auburn resident to the Lake Auburn Watershed Protection Commission. One application was received from Evan Cyr, who currently works on the Commission Board and has expressed interest in continuing his appointment. His application was included in the packets. **On motion of Bruce Rioux, seconded by Robert Cavanagh, there was a vote to nominate Evan Cyr to continue his service as Commissioner on the LAWPCA Board.**
Passed 6-0

Agenda Item 5: Old Business

Water Quality Update – The Superintendent, Mike Broadbent, provided a verbal presentation on the preceding month's water quality in Lake Auburn.

System-Wide Meter Conversion Status Update – Over the past month, EJP and HydroCorp have issued a series of three notices to customers in Cycle 1 and Book 80 (2,422 customers). As of 8:50 a.m. on June 10th, 1,363 appointments were scheduled, with an average of approximately 50 appointments booked per day. Scheduled meter replacements began on June 15th. Customer response and contractor performance to date have been strong.
The final notice advises customers that participation in the meter exchange is mandatory and that noncompliance may result in disconnection. The next step now falls to the District. An additional notice before issuing disconnect warnings is proposed; however, this will increase internal workload and may be unpopular with customers.

Facilities Assessment – Weston & Sampson has provided three conceptual site layouts with associated cost estimates for new and renovated facilities on the current site:

- Option 1 includes a new administrative building and a fully redeveloped fleet storage area with additional vehicle capacity.
- Option 2A includes renovations to existing administrative space to improve ADA access and optimize fleet storage, along with a detached fleet storage building and additional storage space.
- Option 2B includes the same renovations as Option 2A, with additional fleet storage and a cold storage building, as well as expanded parking.

All three options represent an overall reduction in square footage compared to previously reviewed off-site alternatives. None of the options include space for a decant station, aggregate storage, or a wash bay.

Lake Auburn Infrastructure Planning Study – Included in the packets were a summary memo on the report and my recommendations for moving forward.

Lakeshore Drive MPI Project Update – At this time, the status of this project has not changed since last month. Work is scheduled to begin in September 2026.

Activity Report – The District Engineer, Mike Abbott, provided a verbal presentation on the preceding month's activity.

Agenda Item 6: Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A) to Discuss a Personnel Matter –
On the motion of **Timothy Simpson, seconded by Jeffrey Harmon, there was a vote to move the meeting into Executive Session.**
Passed 6-0

Agenda Item 7: Trustee Open Session: There was no further discussion at this time.

Agenda Item 8: Adjournment of the Regular Meeting: The Trustees concluded their meeting in Executive Session. At that time, there was a **motion by Timothy Simpson, seconded by Robert Cavanagh, to adjourn the meeting.**
Passed 6-0

Respectfully submitted,
Tiffany Spence
Tiffany Spence

Memo

To: Water District Trustees

From: Michael Broadbent, Superintendent

CC: Files

Date: 7/16/2026

Re: Discussion of June Agenda Items

Water Trustees

Financial Report Highlights

Financial Update- Revenues are slightly below budget and expenses are under budget. On the revenue side, water sales are under budget due to the delayed impact of the rate increases. The variance from budget has been reduced in June due to another month of monthly services being billed at the higher rate. This variance should continue to reduce as we move into July where we began billing quarterly services at the increased rate. This should reduce the variance from budget through the end of the year. Miscellaneous operating revenue is over budget partially due to a gain recognized on a trailer that was auctioned off. On the expense side, payroll and benefits are under budget due to our previous vacant positions, the timing of overtime earned, the allocation of labor to projects (particularly paving projects) and other expense accounts such as jobbing, and an excess clothing allowance and training budget vs the amount used to date due to timing. The UV treatment plant expenses are under budget due to timing with less expenses during the colder months. The Lake Auburn Watershed expenses are slightly under budget due to netting expenses with payroll reimbursements for our Education and Outreach Coordinator. Interest expense is under as we have interest budgeted for the $2.7 million meter bond for the full year when we're just recognizing a portion of that interest in 2026 due to when the bond was issued. There were no debt service payments in June. Cash on hand has decreased significantly in June and meter inventory has increased proportionally. As meters are installed by HydroCorp and EJP, the meters will be removed from inventory

and into the meter replacement project. Cash on hand of $4.7 million is sufficient to service existing debt and fund operations.

We've had a lot of trouble with Flores, our current HRA administrator. Some employees have waited months for reimbursements and getting those paid out had required significant intervention from us and our insurance broker. Our insurance broker told us that they're seeing similar issues with Flores with their other clients. They recommended we make a change to Consumer Health Solutions. We had an introductory call with them to price out the change. For the HRA, there will be a one-time setup fee of $300 and a one-time mid-year takeover fee of $300. The recurring admin fees remain the same per participant and the annual renewal fee for Consumer Health Solutions is $250 less per year than Flores. Flores has agreed to waive their termination fee. To make the change for the HRA, we will incur $600 in total one-time fees and save $250 annually on recurring fees, all split between water and sewer.

Consumer Health Solutions also offers COBRA administrative services. This is an area we could use support with. This includes a one-time setup fee of $200 and recurring fees totaling $500/yr. This would also be split between water and sewer.

In total, this change in HRA administrators with the addition of the new service of COBRA administration will cost $800 in one-time fees in 2026 and $250 in additional recurring annual expenses moving forward. We believe this change will give our employees a much better experience taking advantage of the generous HRA we provide and ensure we stay in compliance with COBRA.

As an update on the financial statement audit, the auditors have provided me with their final request lists and those items have been addressed. The next step is working with their Reports department on the statement draft and then we should be all set to finalize and issue.

New Business

Draft Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan and Budget Projections- The Water District set a goal to develop a five-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). This CIP is intended to be a working document used for budget planning and rate setting.

Over the last year I've worked with staff to develop the CIP. The District has a comprehensive capital improvement plan that looks at all infrastructure and needs, this was last updated in 2022 by Wright-Pierce Engineers. We used this document to develop the five-year CIP. The District has done a good job maintaining our system, the industry standard is to replace 1% (1.4 Miles) of our system annually. Inflation over the last 4 years has driven up the cost of replacement, it will take additional investments to ensure we continue to meet this standard.

Included in the meeting packet is a five-year CIP and the corresponding budget projections. These items will be discussed at the meeting.

Draft Charter Changes- At the June Trustee meetings, Trustees were presented with a draft charter for a proposed combined, Auburn Water and Sewer District. Since the last meeting, District staff incorporated additional Trustee feedback and we corrected and updated the verbiage in the document. Staff feels that the Document is ready for a legal review. The goal is to have this document finalized by this fall for sponsorship at a state level.

2026 Measuring of the Lake- The District has a tradition of thanking Trustees and elected officials for their service with a dinner. This event is called "The Measuring of the Lake". While we don't actually measure anything, the Trustees gather at the water treatment plant for a catered dinner. Last year the event was hosted on the first Wednesday in September. I would like to present the idea that we continue with this and I'm suggesting September 2, 2026 as a tentative date.

If the Trustees agree to this, staff will distribute invitations and make reservations with vendors for food and the tent.

Old Business

Water Quality Update- Water quality within Lake Auburn remains favorable. Turbidity, water elevation, and water temperature are all following at or near seasonal averages. The drought conditions for our area are worsening. No action is needed at this time and we will continue to monitor the status.

Global fluoride shortage- The District was scheduled to receive a delivery of fluoride the first week of July. The delivery never came and we later learned there is a global shortage of our product, hydrofluosilicic acid. We've confirmed this with our supplier and all listed vendors of the product in the US. Currently we have enough product for around 24 days (depending on production volumes). We've reached out to the Maine Drinking Water Program. They confirmed other water systems in the state have reported a similar situation. The District will not receive a violation as this is confirmed as a global shortage and a supplier issue. The District will not be forced to seek other products that could be used to apply fluoride to the water as our plant is not constructed to manage alternate products. The District is required to provide notification to all customers if the addition of fluoride is suspended for more than 30 days. We're currently working on the verbiage of this notice and how the notice would be distributed. At this time there is no forecast of if and when this product will be available again.

Watershed Update- Trustees were sent a watershed report separate from the packets. The Commission and staff are engaged in a multitude of projects that engage the public by providing education and outreach opportunities. They continue

to work with City staff to assist residents with septic inspections along with several other initiatives in the works. I'm very pleased with the on-going work and would be happy to answer questions if needed.

System-Wide Meter Conversion, Status Update- Hydro Corp and EJP have done a fantastic job coordinating and installing meters over the last month. Our staff has also done well with the increased calls associated with the conversions. The contractors have averaged 80-meter replacements/day so far. As of July 14th, 20% of the system is now replaced and another 25% of the system's customers have scheduled appointments.

Facilities Assessment Update- Mike Abbott and I met with Auburn's Director of Public Services and the Planning Director. Our discussion was on the current and future zoning restrictions as they relate to the District's facility at 268 Court Street. What we learned is there are possibilities for the District to re-construct its facility at the present location. However, the zoning requirements may not allow for the preferred facility layout. We also confirmed there is likely to be more changes to the current zoning once the city completes the comprehensive plan update. The changes will favor in-fill development and not the current use of the District. The District could receive approval for a special exception but that would take City council approval.

The District has time to understand its options, we're not in a position to make a long-term decision at this time. We need to better understand the zoning requirements, the future of the Court Street area as it relates to traffic flow to our facility. If it is cost prohibitive to remain at our present location, the District should make a effort to find a property that's both centrally located and is adequate for our current and future needs.

Lake Auburn Infrastructure Planning Study- Over the last month I've had two follow-up meetings on the completed study. Mike Abbott and I met with Lewiston water system mangers to discuss the various recommendations of the report. I'm happy to report that we're all on the same page and they agree with working through the various options to determine the scope, budget and timeline.

Subsequently we've had a follow up staff meeting to start this process and have included preliminary figures in the five-year CIP.

Activity Report- The water and sewer crews have continued raising/lowering structures (water gate valve boxes, manholes) on portions of Court Street, Turner Street, Minot Avenue, Spring Street, Western Avenue and Allied Road in conjunction with City and DOT road projects. Currently, we have finished our work on all streets, with the exception of Minot Ave. We estimate about two more weeks of work raising structures to grade and a week or two of night work to support the final paving.

As the road projects near completion, the water crew is preparing to begin the main replacement project planned for this summer on Hotel Road.

To assist with the Hydrocorp meter replacement project, the water crew has repaired several service boxes/valves that were found to be inoperable when it was necessary to turn off water during the meter installation. About a dozen service boxes were repaired in June.

Systemwide hydrant flushing continued through June and into July – we are at about 90% completion. To date, we have received very few calls with concerns about water quality or pressure.

The water crew is now at full staff with the addition of two new employees – Danny Mcaslister and Collin Hayward. Both employees are learning quickly and fitting in well with the crew.

AWSD is upgrading our work order entry system to a version that includes asset management capabilities. This will allow us to track the age and usage of our assets and schedule required maintenance or replacement in a timely manner.

Upcoming Meetings: Regular Trustee Meeting of August 19th, 2026.

AUBURN WATER DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
PERIOD ENDING - June 30, 2026

	6/30/2026	12/31/2025
Property, Plant and Equipment:		
Plant in Service	44,459,606.58	44,332,336.92
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(18,151,665.13)	(17,825,124.46)
	26,307,941.45	26,507,212.46
Construction Work in Progress	556,204.95	74,106.13
Net Utility Plant	26,864,146.40	26,581,318.59
Current Assets:		
Cash & Working Funds	5,241,045.42	3,516,542.15
Accounts Receivable - Net	669,825.91	557,517.89
Prepayments	65,010.32	16,704.17
Inventory	1,624,256.21	381,627.21
Total Current Assets	7,600,137.86	4,472,391.42
Investment CD	0.00	0.00
Total Assets	34,464,284.26	31,053,710.01

	6/30/2026	12/31/2025
Capitalization:		
Retained Earnings	20,576,983.47	19,979,150.97
Current Year Earnings	297,589	466,909
	20,874,572.56	20,446,059.62
Bonds	6,614,519.39	4,029,796.77
Total Capitalization	27,489,091.95	24,475,856.39
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	576,119.54	190,182.08
Customer Deposits	24,994.53	21,138.38
Accrued Interest	52,348.83	40,054.16
Miscellaneous Liabilities	102,486.16	123,640.71
Total Current Liabilities	755,949.06	375,015.33
Equipment Leases	108,249.48	93,645.01
Contributions in Aid	6,110,993.77	6,109,193.28
Total Equity Capital and Liabilities	34,464,284.26	31,053,710.01

AUBURN WATER DISTRICT
OPERATING STATEMENT - TRUSTEES' REPORT
SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2026

	June	2026	Y-T-D June 2026		
	YTD - 2025	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	Variance
REVENUES:					
Water Sales	$1,415,935	$3,034,720	$1,405,519	$1,444,387	-$38,868
Rent income	34,261	72,000	62,508	36,000	$26,508
Interest Income	18,708	40,000	23,303	20,000	$3,303
Mdse. & Jobbing - NET	(4,205)	53,600	-7,423	26,800	-$34,223
Public Fire Protection	408,891	850,720	425,246	425,360	-$114
Private Fire Prot.	238,711	496,080	244,072	248,040	-$3,968
Misc. Op. Revenue	89,171	184,601	107,953	92,301	$15,652
TOTAL REVENUES	**2,201,472**	**4,731,721**	**$2,261,178**	**$2,292,888**	**-$31,709**
				75%	
EXPENSES:					
Payroll	592,437	1,389,030	$589,449	$667,591	-$78,142
Treatment:					
UV Treatment Plant	279,822	579,750	$239,071	$289,875	-$50,804
Chloramine Facility	4,535	12,800	$3,427	$6,400	-$2,973
Laboratory	4,793	35,500	$11,467	$17,750	-$6,284
Trans & Dist & Other Maint:					
Maint of Mains	64,732	140,000	$70,247	$70,000	$247
Dist System	57,093	168,639	85,761	$84,320	$1,441
Other	2,742	23,000	$9,621	$11,500	-$1,879
Administration:					
Employee Benefits	254,277	652,857	$262,688	$326,429	-$63,741
Legal & Accounting	14,782	50,000	$8,681	$25,000	-$16,319
Customer Billing	13,858	68,000	$48,689	$34,000	$14,689
Insurances	41,509	84,410	$29,640	$42,205	-$12,565
Other	43,560	77,452	$41,786	$38,726	$3,060
Vehicles	37,238	144,000	$42,675	$72,000	-$29,325
Gull Management	31,660	72,000	$37,224	$36,000	$1,224
Lake Auburn Watershed	50,326	142,000	$45,409	$71,000	-$25,591
SUB-TOTAL	**1,493,364**	**3,639,438**	**$1,525,835**	**$1,792,795**	**-$266,961**
				75%	
Interest	72,226	197,362	$71,755	$98,681	-$26,926
TOTAL EXPENSES	**1,565,589**	**3,836,800**	**$1,597,589**	**$1,891,476**	-$293,887
Bonds - Principal Payments	137,513	864,553	$143,984	$143,984	$0
SURPLUS FROM OPERATIONS	**498,370**	**30,368**	**519,605**	**$257,427**	**$262,178**

Non-Cash Items:	
Depreciation - 1403-000	$366,000
Sub - Total Non-Cash	$366,000
Income Statement - Bottom Line	$297,589

AUBURN WATER - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Water Revenue - Metered Sales - Versus Prior Year

Month	2026	2025	MTD Change	%	YTD Change	%
January	$240,709.30	$246,826.80	($6,117.50)	-2.48%	($6,117.50)	-2.48%
February	$217,209.70	$238,634.53	($21,424.83)	-8.98%	($27,542.33)	-5.67%
March	$224,610.00	$228,211.83	($3,601.83)	-1.58%	($31,144.16)	-4.36%
April	$251,272.00	$253,662.84	($2,390.84)	-0.94%	($33,535.00)	-3.47%
May	$227,724.00	$219,136.00	$8,588.00	3.92%	($24,947.00)	-2.10%
June	$243,994.00	$228,923.00	$15,071.00	6.58%	($9,876.00)	-0.70%
July		$269,509.00	($269,509.00)	-100.00%	($279,385.00)	-16.58%
August		$262,241.00	($262,241.00)	-100.00%	($541,626.00)	-27.82%
September		$262,468.00	($262,468.00)	-100.00%	($804,094.00)	-36.39%
October		$293,742.00	($293,742.00)	-100.00%	($1,097,836.00)	-43.85%
November		$252,217.28	($252,217.28)	-100.00%	($1,350,053.28)	-48.99%
December		$228,431.07	($228,431.07)	-100.00%	($1,578,484.35)	-52.90%
	$1,405,519.00	$2,984,003.35				

Water Revenue - Metered Sales - Versus Budget

Month	2026	BUDGET	MTD Change	%	YTD Change	%
January	$240,709.30	$242,940.38	($2,231.08)	-0.92%	($2,231.08)	-0.92%
February	$217,209.70	$240,789.38	($23,579.68)	-9.79%	($25,810.75)	-5.34%
March	$224,610.00	$231,570.36	($6,960.36)	-3.01%	($32,771.11)	-4.58%
April	$251,272.00	$276,332.02	($25,060.02)	-9.07%	($57,831.13)	-5.83%
May	$227,724.00	$225,291.01	$2,432.99	1.08%	($55,398.14)	-4.55%
June	$243,994.00	$231,777.86	$12,216.14	5.27%	($43,181.99)	-2.98%
July	$0.00	$292,879.28	($292,879.28)	-100.00%	($336,061.27)	-19.30%
August	$0.00	$251,931.91	($251,931.91)	-100.00%	($587,993.18)	-29.50%
September	$0.00	$269,887.06	($269,887.06)	-100.00%	($857,880.25)	-37.90%
October	$0.00	$296,078.72	($296,078.72)	-100.00%	($1,153,958.97)	-45.09%
November	$0.00	$253,016.62	($253,016.62)	-100.00%	($1,406,975.58)	-50.03%
December	$0.00	$222,225.42	($222,225.42)	-100.00%	($1,629,201.00)	-53.69%

Water Gallons Sold - Metered

Month	2026	2025	MTD Change	%	YTD Change	%
January	49,422,915	47,499,496	1,923,419	4.05%	1,923,419	4.05%
February	50,868,896	52,184,968	(1,316,072)	-2.52%	607,347	0.61%
March	48,088,394	49,229,620	(1,141,226)	-2.32%	(533,879)	-0.36%
April	51,871,283	49,452,524	2,418,759	4.89%	1,884,880	0.95%
May	45,749,272	45,932,436	(183,164)	-0.40%	1,701,716	0.70%
June	51,397,812	49,744,244.00	1,653,568	3%	3,355,284	1%
July		54,040,008	(54,040,008)	-100.00%	(50,684,724)	-14.56%
August		51,483,344	(51,483,344)	-100.00%	(102,168,068)	-25.57%
September		59,792,876	(59,792,876)	-100.00%	(161,960,944)	-35.26%
October		61,751,140	(61,751,140)	-100.00%	(223,712,084)	-42.93%
November		55,072,248	(55,072,248)	-100.00%	(278,784,332)	-48.38%
December		44,676,546	(44,676,546)	-100.00%	(323,460,878)	-52.10%
	297,398,572	620,859,450				

Water Gross Payroll versus Budget

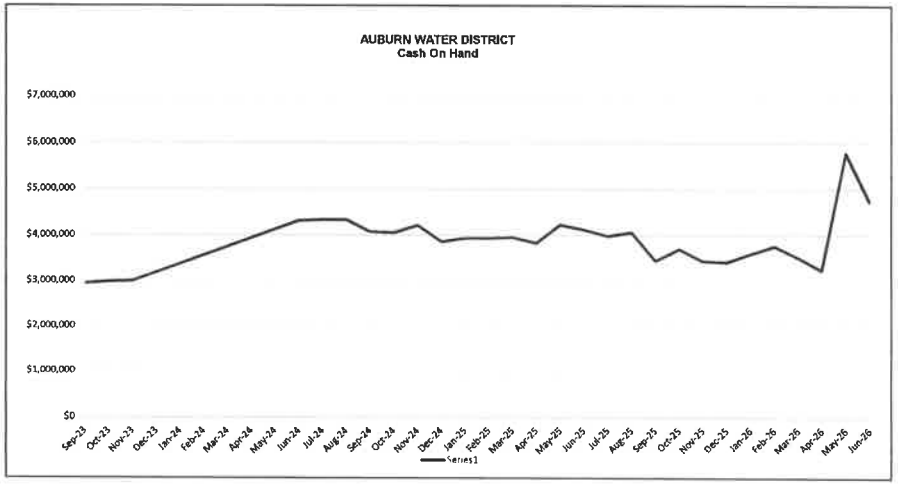
Month	2026	Budget	MTD Change	%	YTD Change	%
January	$85,784.00	$108,829.50	($23,045.50)	-21.18%	($23,045.50)	-21.18%
February	$99,145.00	$92,349.23	$6,795.77	7.36%	($16,249.73)	-8.08%
March	$105,097.00	$138,668.65	($33,571.65)	-24.21%	($49,821.38)	-14.66%
April	$115,430.00	$136,040.82	($20,610.82)	-15.15%	($70,432.21)	-14.80%
May	$90,540.00	$91,208.85	($668.85)	-0.73%	($71,101.06)	-12.54%
June	$93,453.00	$100,494.15	($7,041.15)	-7.01%	($78,142.21)	-11.71%
July		$131,813.98	($131,813.98)	-100.00%	($209,956.19)	-26.26%
August		$109,078.54	($109,078.54)	-100.00%	($319,034.73)	-35.12%
September		$104,941.85	($104,941.85)	-100.00%	($423,976.58)	-41.84%
October		$109,762.54	($109,762.54)	-100.00%	($533,739.12)	-47.52%
November		$108,306.64	($108,306.64)	-100.00%	($642,045.76)	-52.14%
December		$157,535.60	($157,535.60)	-100.00%	($799,581.36)	-57.56%

Water Total Capital Expenditures versus Budget

Capital Projects - 2026	*Budget	*YTD Actual	Variance
Crew Truck - Water	$60,000	$63,290.44	(3,290.44)
Equipment Trailer	$25,000	$23,629.50	1,370.50
Meter department tools	$3,000	$3,045.65	(45.65)
Conduit Bender	$5,500	$2,670.50	2,829.50
North Auburn Dam SCADA	$4,400	$4,517.95	(117.95)
Townsend Brook Scada	$4,400	$1,843.77	2,556.23
Lab	$5,000		5,000.00
Plant Operations	$86,100	$2,490.87	83,609.13
Risk and Resiliency Plan Update	$5,000	$4,950.00	
Lab Service Visit	$5,175		5,175.00
Lab Intake Inspection and Cleaning	$2,448		2,447.50
Fixed Asset Software	$7,500		7,500.00
Office improvements	$5,000		$5,000
4 Computers, I-pad	$3,600	$1,758	1,842.09
Excavator	$65,437	$64,454	982.38
Equipment Total	**$287,559**	**$172,650.71**	**114,858.29**
2026 Main Replacements	$515,000	$2,254	512,746.33
2026 Paving Projects	$66,000	$55,371	10,628.53
2026 Meter Conversion	$2,667,355	$167,984	2,499,370.86
Lakeshore Drive	$750,000	73,994	676,006.26
Taylor Pond Meter Pit	$20,000	$20,350.84	(350.84)
Lake Auburn Water Supply Study	$49,700	$49,700.00	-
Facilities Study	$13,750	$13,750.00	-
Projects Total (includes benefit costs on labor)	**$4,081,805**	**$383,404**	**3,698,401.14**
Grand Total	**$4,369,364**	**$556,055**	**$3,813,259**

AUBURN WATER DISTRICT
CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Aging	Current	30 day	60 day	90 day	120 day	Finance Chgs	Other	Totals
June	$ 159,394	$ 24,133	$ 10,494	$ 2,704	$ 11,190	$ -	$ -	$ 207,914.99
May	167,760.72	27,711.98	4,558.83	2,067.00	11,877.61	-	-	213,976.14
April	290,897.58	20,366.28	2,864.09	7,097.58	9,373.79	-	-	330,599.32
March	188,447.17	20,816.00	4,096.99	1,966.74	8,774.72	-	-	224,101.62



AWD Capitol Improvement Plan 2027 - 2031

Project Year	Street	Start	Stop	w Diameter (inch)	Length (feet)	Cost Estimate($250/per foot)	Cost Estimate ($350/per foot)	Justification
2027	Shapley Street	Lake Street	Gammage Street	8	1800	$450,000.00	$630,000.00	Unknown vintage, cast iron pipe, sewer main in poor condition as well
	Gamage Ave	Park St	Dennison Street	12	4410	$1,102,500.00	$1,543,500.00	ISO improvement, Cast iron pipe
	Water Treatment Pilot					$100,000.00	$150,000.00	Pilot different treatment technologies to determine the best fit for Lake Auburn
	Court Street Office, HVAC controllers					$45,000.00	$45,000.00	Replace HVAC Controllers, current controllers are no longer serviceable.
					6210	$1,697,500.00	$2,368,500.00	
					1.176136364 Miles			
2028	Washington Street	Markalyn Street	Little Androscoggin River Crossing	12	9300	$2,325,000.00	$3,255,000.00	Improve flow to Hardscrabble Reservoir, High break main
	Lake Auburn	Alum Treatment				$1,250,000.00	$1,500,000.00	Dependent on Lake conditions
	Operations Facility	Preliminary Design of New Operations Facility				$100,000.00	$150,000.00	
					9300	$3,675,000.00	$4,905,000.00	
					1.761363636 Miles			
2029	Minot Avenue	Court Street	470 feet East of Merrow Road, end of 12"	12	7250	$1,812,500.00	$2,537,500.00	80+ year old pipe
	Beacon Street	Lake Street	Western Prom	8	750	$187,500.00	$262,500.00	90+ year old pipe
		Preliminary Design of Filtration				$1,000,000.00	$1,250,000.00	Cost will be dependent on Pilot results and testing.
	LCRI	All Un-known/District owned services				$500,000.00	$600,000.00	
	Ipswhich Tank	Re-activate storage facility				$1,000,000.00	$1,500,000.00	Increase storage capacity/redundancy, will depend on growth.
					8000	$4,500,000.00	$6,150,000.00	
					1.515151515 Miles			
2030	Monroe Street	Minot Avenue	Madison Street	8	575	$143,750.00	$201,250.00	6-inch unlined cast iron water main, improve hydraulics
	Webster Street	Webster Street	Union Street	8	800	$200,000.00	$280,000.00	90+ year old pipe
	Myrtle Street	Academy Street	Elm Street	8	425	$106,250.00	$148,750.00	Looping project and stub of 1936 water main
	Linden Street	Lake Street	400 feet north	8	400	$100,000.00	$140,000.00	6-inch unlined cast iron water main, improve hydraulics
	Chestnut Street	Webster Street	Winter Street	8	650	$162,500.00	$227,500.00	90+ year old pipe
	Jocelyn Street	Fern Street North	Dead End	2	150	$37,500.00	$52,500.00	90+ year old pipe
	Park Avenue	Lake Street	2250 feet north	8	2250	$562,500.00	$787,500.00	6-inch unlined cast iron water main, improve hydraulics
	Jefferson Street	Madison Street	Washington Street	8	1050	$262,500.00	$367,500.00	6-inch unlined cast iron water main, improve hydraulics
	Western Promenade	Lake Street	Goff	8	1700	$425,000.00	$595,000.00	6-inch unlined cast iron water main, improve hydraulics, cast iron pipe
	Operations Facility	Replace Operations Facility				$5,000,000.00	$14,000,000.00	Low estimate is 268 Court, high is contingent on finding an offsite property.
					8000	$7,000,000.00	$16,800,000.00	
					1.515151515 Miles			
2031	Spring Street	Court Street	Troy Street	8	950	$237,500.00	$332,500.00	Looping Project and 6-inch unlined cast iron water main, improve hydraulics
	Pleasant Street	Court Street	Drummond Street	8	2200	$550,000.00	$770,000.00	6-inch unlined cast iron water main, improve hydraulics
	Lake Auburn Avenue	Coburn Avenue	Whitney Street	12	1350	$337,500.00	$472,500.00	Large Main Looping Project
	Chicoine Avenue/Val View	Val View Drive	Hotel Road	8	4000	$1,000,000.00	$1,400,000.00	High break main
	Water Treatment Facility	Construction of new Water Treatment Facility				$40,000,000.00	$50,000,000.00	
					8500	$42,125,000.00	$52,975,000.00	
					1.609848485 Miles			

	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Rate Increase	3.85%	13.50%	8.94%	20.00%	49.10%
Meter Changeout Benefit	10%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
New Debt Service	138,164	305,414	269,055	872,612	3,490,447
Revenue Increase		$530,047	$579,788	$1,028,493	$2,859,027
Cash Expenditures Increase		538,744	398,700	1,047,895	3,630,618

	Actual 2025	BUDGET 2027	BUDGET 2028	BUDGET 2029	BUDGET 2030	BUDGET 2031
Residential	$1,811,904	$2,207,791	$2,447,416	$2,738,834	$3,216,391	$4,537,255
Commercial	$598,027	$728,691	$805,359	$901,254	$1,058,401	$1,493,051
Industrial	$349,811	$426,242	$471,088	$527,181	$619,103	$873,348
Public Authorities	$182,234	$222,050	$245,413	$274,634	$322,521	$454,969
Seasonal	$15,235	$18,563	$20,516	$22,959	$26,962	$38,035
Total Metered Water Sales	$2,957,210	$3,603,337	$3,989,792	$4,464,862	$5,243,378	$7,396,658
Rents from Property		83,000	83,000	83,000	83,000	83,000
Interest Income		40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Merchandise & Jobbing, Net		40,294	40,294	40,294	40,294	40,294
Public Fire Protection		908,705	1,000,712	1,067,810	1,227,981	1,680,185
Private Fire Protection		$509,495	561,081	598,702	688,507	942,050
Other Revenues		130,000	130,000	130,000	130,000	130,000
Total Revenues		**$5,314,832**	**$5,844,879**	**$6,424,667**	**$7,453,160**	**$10,312,187**
Payroll		1,478,649	1,552,581	1,630,210	1,711,721	1,797,307
Employee Benefits		710,659	746,192	783,502	822,677	863,811
Employee Recognition		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
UV Treatment Plant		599,207	659,127	725,040	797,544	877,298
Chloramine Facility		13,004	14,304	15,735	17,308	19,039
Laboratory		35,500	39,050	42,955	47,251	51,976
Transmission/Distribution		369,300	406,230	446,853	491,538	540,692
Administration		314,312	345,743	380,317	418,349	460,184
Vehicle Maintenance		151,500	166,650	183,315	201,647	221,811
Gull Management		72,000	79,200	87,120	95,832	105,415
Watershed Protection		156,200	171,820	189,002	207,902	228,692
Interest Payments		278,474	419,675	531,576	965,553	2,807,069
Total Expenses		**$4,183,805**	**$4,605,573**	**$5,020,625**	**$5,782,321**	**$7,978,294**
Net from Operations		**$1,131,027**	**$1,239,305**	**$1,404,042**	**$1,670,839**	**$2,333,893**
Bond Payments - Principal		957,226	1,074,202	1,057,851	1,344,049	2,778,695
Surplus from Operations		**$173,801**	**$165,103**	**$346,191**	**$326,789**	**($444,802)**
General Equipment		250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000
Capital Projects		2,033,000	4,290,000	4,200,000	11,900,000	47,550,000
Change in Cash after Capital		**($2,109,199)**	**($4,374,897)**	**($4,103,809)**	**($11,823,211)**	**($48,244,802)**
Bond		***1,900,000***	***4,200,000***	***3,700,000***	***12,000,000***	***48,000,000***
Cash Change EOY		($209,199)	($174,897)	($403,809)	$176,789	($244,802)

Draft merger of Auburn Water District and Auburn Sewerage District Charters, for the purpose of this exercise I'm calling the new organization the Auburn Water & Sewer District.

June 2026

SECTION 1.

Territorial Limits; Corporate Name, Purpose. The Auburn Water District formally established by the Maine Legislature as per P. & S.L. 1923, c. 60 and subsequent amendments, and the Auburn Sewerage District, established as per P. & S. L., I9I7, c. I93 and subsequent amendments, will hereby under this Act continue together as a body politic and corporate under the name of the **Auburn Water & Sewer District**, referred to herein as "the District". The District shall be governed by a board of Trustees (Board) and bounded in the same manner and be constituted by the same people as the City of Auburn. The District is responsible for the following purposes and has the authority to carry out said responsibilities:

1. For the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of said District and of contiguous territory not already served, with safe drinking water for domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including fire protection (public & private), the District is hereby authorized to construct, maintain and operate such systems of water storage and conveyance including water distribution piping and appurtenances for the purpose of continuing and/or improving delivery of water throughout the District. The District may also construct, maintain, and operate such drinking water treatment facilities as it may deem necessary in connection with said system; and for the purpose of providing safe drinking water to protect public health. All incidental rights, powers, and privileges necessary to the accomplishment of the main object herein set forth are granted to the corporation hereby created.

2. For the purpose of providing a system for the disposition of sewage, the District is hereby authorized to construct, maintain and operate such systems of sewerage and sewage disposal and to lay, make and maintain such common sewers as the Board may from time to time deem necessary for the purpose of disposing of sewage. The District may also construct, maintain and operate such works as it may deem necessary in connection with said system; and for the purpose of guarding against pollution of waters, and otherwise protecting the public health, and may lay, make and maintain such sewer collection and pumping facilities as it deems best. The District shall not be required, however, to construct, connect or maintain any drain, storm sewer, septic tank, or other installation which is not connected to and integrated with its then existing main sewerage system.

SECTION 2.

Organization.

The affairs of said Auburn Water & Sewer District shall be managed by a board of seven Trustees, which in the first instance shall include seven current Trustees selected from the current boards of

the Auburn Water District and the Auburn Sewerage District, based on their seniority of service as board members. The selected Trustees of the Auburn Water & Sewer District hereby created shall each hold office according to the respective terms of office which they now hold, and upon the expiration of said terms of office, Trustees shall there afterwards be appointed annually in the month of March by the City Council of Auburn to serve for a term of four years. The City Council may at any time fill any vacancy in said Trustees caused by death, resignation or otherwise, or in the first instance by the refusal to act of any member or members of the Auburn Water District and or Auburn Sewerage District above denominated; in such case, however, the Trustees so appointed shall hold office for the unexpired term of the member whose office is made or left vacant. Any resident of the District may be appointed to serve as Trustee. The Mayor of the City shall be *ex-officio* the seventh Trustee of the Auburn Water & Sewer District and may serve in this capacity or appoint a representative to sit in his or her place on the Board.

The **Trustees** of said District shall annually, in the month of March, after the appointments by the City Council, organize by electing individual Board members to serve as president, superintendent, treasurer and clerk, and employ other agents as deemed necessary by the Board. Said Trustees shall adopt a corporate seal and such bylaws as are necessary for their own convenience and the proper management of the affairs of said District. Said officers and agents shall perform such duties as shall be designated by the Trustees and be subject to removal by the Trustees at all times. The compensation of said president and treasurer and of such other officers shall be fixed at the annual meeting in March.

SECTION 3.

Liabilities.

The Auburn Water & Sewer District assumes all liabilities of the former Auburn Water District and the Auburn Sewerage District, obligation of bonds not impaired. As consideration for the transfer and conveyance of the property and rights described in the foregoing section, said Auburn Water & Sewer District shall assume all the existing indebtedness and all liability of every nature of the Auburn Water District and Auburn Sewerage District incurred prior to the time when this Act takes effect in the establishment, maintenance, operation, extension and improvement of the present Water & Sewer systems in the City of Auburn, and all outstanding bonds issued for any and all of said purposes , whether issued by said Auburn Water District or Auburn Sewerage District, shall be and become legal and binding obligations of said Auburn Water & Sewer District, and nothing herein shall be construed to impair the obligation of said bonds or the right of the holders thereof. All valid contracts existing between said Auburn Water District and Auburn Sewerage District and any person, firm or corporation shall be assumed and carried out by said Auburn Water & Sewer District.

The District shall maintain its books and records in a manner that creates separate divisions for its Water & Sewerage operations. These divisions must maintain the assets, liabilities, operating revenues, and expenses in a manner that allows the Public Utilities Commission to set rates for the District's water operations. The assets and liabilities of the Auburn Water District must be maintained in the books of the water division of the Auburn Water & Sewer District. The assets and liabilities of the Auburn Sewerage District must be maintained in the books and records of the

Auburn Water & Sewer District's sewerage division.

SECTION 4.

Powers. The District has the following Powers and Authority.

1. The Municipal Court of Auburn given jurisdiction to enforce by-laws: Said Auburn Water & Sewer District shall have power to adopt by-laws, not inconsistent with the general laws of the state, to prevent pollution of the water of Lake Auburn and to preserve the purity of said water, and may prescribe penalties for the violation thereof, which said by-laws shall have the same force and effect as municipal ordinances, and the Municipal Court of the City of Auburn shall have jurisdiction of violations thereof. Said Auburn Water & Sewer District shall have power and authority to complain by bill in equity to the Supreme Judicial Court in Maine to enjoin, prevent or restrain any persons, firms or corporations from polluting the water of Lake Auburn, provided such pollution shall tend to corrupt or impair the quality of the water of said Lake Auburn for domestic purposes, or render it injurious to public health.

2. All powers and duties which may be exercised with respect to the water system conferred upon the Auburn Water District and with respect to the sewer system conferred upon the Auburn Sewerage District by the general laws of the State, except as hereinafter excepted, shall be vested in the Auburn Water & Sewer District, ~~District~~. No contracts, rights, liabilities, takings, assessments, suits or other matters now existing or pending shall be affected by this Act but said Water & Sewer District shall in all respects and for all purposes become the successor of the City of Auburn and the municipal officers of the City of Auburn in all matters covered by this Act.

SECTION 5.

Right of Eminent Domain Conferred.

1. The said Auburn Water & Sewer District, for the purposes of its incorporation, is hereby authorized to take and hold, as for public uses, by purchase, eminent domain, or otherwise, any land or interest therein, or water rights necessary for erecting and maintaining dams, for collecting, storing and holding water, for flowage, for power (for pumping its water supply through its mains), for reservoirs, for guarding against pollution and for preserving the purity of the water and watershed, for laying and maintaining pipes, aqueducts and other structures, for taking, distributing, discharging and disposing of water and for rights of way or roadways to its sources of supply, its dams, pumping stations, reservoirs, mains, pipes, aqueducts, structures and lands.

2. The said District, shall for the purposes of this Act have power to take from time to time by right of eminent domain, or to acquire by purchase or otherwise, any lands, water rights, private drains or sewers, rights of way, or other easements in said City, public or private, necessary for operation and maintenance or for the expansion of the sewer collection

system; and may construct such sewers and drains under or over any water course, bridge, railroad, railway, highway or other way, in such manner as not unnecessarily to obstruct the same; and may enter upon and dig up any private land or way for the purpose of constructing said systems, laying such sewers and drains, and maintaining and repairing the same, and may take any other action necessary or proper in carrying out the purposes of this Act,

When lands, water rights, rights of way or other easements are taken, said Auburn Water & Sewer District shall, within 30 days after the taking, cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the County of Androscoggin, a description of the same as certain as is required in a conveyance of land, with a statement of the purpose for which the same were taken, signed by a majority of its Trustees; and upon such recording the fee in the lands, rights of way or other easements so taken, shall vest in the District. All damages sustained by any person or corporation by reason of such taking, or through any action of said District under this act, shall be paid by the District. Within 14 days after the recording of the description of the land the District shall submit to the person or corporation whose land is taken an offer in writing to pay an amount found by the Trustees of the District to represent fair compensation for the land or property rights taken. The offer of the Trustees as to the amount of damages due shall be final and binding upon all parties unless, within 60 days from the date on which such offer is made, an appeal is taken from the determination of the Trustees to the Superior Court in Androscoggin County where the property is located, in the same manner as is provided with respect to civil appeals from the action of governmental or administrative boards, agencies, or commissions, except in those respects in which such proceedings would be inconsistent with the express provisions of this Charter.

SECTION 6.

Title.

1. At the time this Act takes effect, the title of the Auburn Water District, the corporation heretofore charged with the control and management of the water system in said District, to the entire plant, property and franchises, rights and privileges, including all lands, buildings, waters, water rights, dams, reservoirs, pumping-stations, pipes, aqueducts, machinery, fixtures, hydrants, tools, apparatus and appliances, used or capable of being used for the purpose of maintaining a public water supply, together with all sinking funds, current funds, moneys, bills and accounts receivable, and all books, plans and documents, shall vest in and become the property of said Auburn Water & Sewer District. Said Auburn Water District, shall make, execute and deliver to said Auburn Water & Sewer District, within thirty days after this Act takes effect, such deeds and conveyances of real property and rights and interests therein, and such transfer, assignment and delivery of personal property, funds, moneys, bills and accounts receivable, books, plans and documents, as shall effectuate the purpose and intention of this section.

2. The Auburn Water & Sewer District is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, and the Auburn Sewerage District is hereby authorized and empowered to transfer and convey to said Water & Sewer District, the entire sewer system of said City of Auburn, including all pipe, conduits, fixtures and rights of way therefore; the consideration for said transfer being that said Water & Sewer District upon said transfer shall become obligated to pay all sewer loans of the Auburn Sewerage District.

SECTION 7.

Property Exempt from Taxation.

The property of said Auburn Water & Sewer District shall be forever exempt from taxation.

SECTION 8.

Plans of Location.

1. In exercising from time to time the right of eminent domain conferred upon it by law, the said Auburn Water & Sewer District shall file in the office of the County Commissioners of Androscoggin County and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds in said plans of the location of all lands or interests therein or water rights, to be taken, with an appropriate description and the names of the owners thereof, if known. When for any reason the District fails to acquire property which it is authorized to take and which is described in such location, or if the location so recorded is defective and in certain, it may at any time correct and perfect such location and file a new description thereof; and in such case the District is liable in damages only for property for which the owner had not previously been paid, to be assessed as of the time of the original taking, and the District shall not be liable for any acts which would have been justified if the original taking had been lawful. No entry shall be made on any private lands, except to make surveys, until the expiration of ten days from such filing. whereupon possession may be had of all said lands or interests therein or water rights so taken, but title thereto shall not vest in said District until payment, therefore.

SECTION 9.

Assessment of Damages by County Commissioners.

1. Assessment of damages by County Commissioners; procedure on appeals. If any person sustaining damages by any taking as aforesaid shall not agree with said District upon the sum to be paid therefor, either party, upon petition to the County Commissioners of Androscoggin County, may have said damages assessed by them; the procedure and all subsequent proceedings and right of appeal thereon shall be had under the same restrictions, conditions and limitations as are or may be by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of highways .

SECTION 10.

Authorized to Erect and Maintain Pumping Stations.

1. Said Auburn Water & Sewer District is hereby authorized to erect, construct and maintain all power and pumping stations, dams, reservoirs, mains, aqueducts, storage tanks, structures, roadways, and fixtures necessary and convenient for its corporate purposes.

SECTION 11.

Authority to Lay Pipes and Make all Necessary Repairs.

1. Said Auburn Water & Sewer District is hereby authorized to lay in and through the streets, roads, ways and highways of the City of Auburn and across private lands therein; and to maintain repair and replace all such water pipes, mains, aqueducts and fixtures as may be necessary and convenient for its corporate purposes; and whenever said District shall lay any pipe, aqueduct or main in any street, road or way it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction as practicable to the public travel, and shall at its own expense without unnecessary delay cause the earth and pavement removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.

2. Said Auburn Water & Sewer District is hereby authorized to construct, maintain and operate such systems of sewerage and sewage disposal and to lay, make and maintain such common sewers as the Board may from time to time deem necessary for the purpose of disposing of its sewage. The District may also construct, maintain and operate such works as it may deem necessary in connection with said system; and for the purpose of guarding against pollution of waters, and otherwise protecting the public health, may lay, make and maintain such main drains as it deems best, may deepen, widen and clear of obstruction any brook, stream or water course within the limits of the City, and straighten, alter or divert the courses or channels thereof. The District shall not be required, however, to construct or maintain any drain, storm sewer, septic tank or other installation which is not connected to and integrated with its then existing main sewerage disposal system; nor shall it be required to construct or connect storm drains with sanitary systems not integrated with its then existing main sewerage system.

   Every building within the District intended for human habitation or occupancy or with facilities for discharge or disposal of commercial or industrial waste which is accessible to a sewer or drain of the District shall be connected with the District's sewerage system by the owner or person against whom taxes on the premises are assessed, in the most direct manner possible within 90 days of receiving a request to do so from the Auburn health officer with a separate connection, if feasible, for each such building . The 90-day time limit may be extended upon request for good cause shown. Existing buildings already served by a private sewer or drainage system shall not be required to connect with any such sewer or drain of the District if it functions in a satisfactory and sanitary manner and does not violate the State Plumbing Code or any other law or ordinance

applicable thereto. A building shall be deemed to be accessible to a sewer or drain of the District for the purposes of this section if it or any private sewer or drain directly or indirectly connected thereto shall at any point come within 100 feet of a sewer or drain connected to the sewerage system of the District provided, however, that this section shall not be applied to require the owner of any such building to acquire any real property or easement therein for the sole purpose of making such connection.

In any event, no person, firm or corporation shall enter the District's sewerage system without first having obtained a permit from the District and payment of any entrance charge established on that location together with any assessment due or estimated to become due as a result of an extension of the existing sewerage system past the property in question, and any charge for construction of a lift station to convey sewage to the sewer collection system. Payment of any such previously unpaid assessment shall be a condition of connecting with the District's sewer system whether or not the applicant was the owner of the real estate in question at the time that the assessment was made. The District may also decline to begin construction of any sewer project until of the estimated cost of construction has been paid in by the abutting property owners.

SECTION 12.

Assessment of Abutters.

1. All water line extensions must be made in accordance with the governing statutes and rules of the Public Utilities Commission.

2. When any extension of or addition to the existing sewer system has been completed, the Trustees of the District shall determine which parcels of land are benefited thereby and assess upon the owners thereof or persons in possession such sum not exceeding the amount of such benefit to be paid toward defraying the costs of the extension of or addition to the sewer system, the total of such assessments not to exceed the cost of such extension or addition.

   Any person may, within 30 days of receiving notice of an assessment, make written application to the Trustees for an abatement, setting forth the grounds for his or her request. Abatements shall be granted in cases of error in computation where the assessment is arbitrary, discriminatory or has no reasonable relation to the benefit conferred upon the parcel of land in question. An appeal from the decision of the Trustees may be taken to the Androscoggin County Commissioners in the same manner provided for appeals from assessments of municipal taxes.

   Whenever after the effective date of this Act, in order to provide for sewage disposal, it shall become necessary to construct sewerage disposal tanks or treatment plants other than a treatment plant designated to service a substantial portion of the entire municipal sewer system then, until the full cost thereof has been recovered by the Water & Sewer District, the owners of estates benefited thereby shall pay to said District such additional sum or sums as the District shall fix and determine to be the proportional part of the cost

of said construction by which each dwelling house or other structure is connected into said sewerage disposal tank or treatment plant. The remainder of the cost of said system, or systems, shall be borne by said District. No other sewer from any estate or part of an estate shall be entered into a common sewer except upon such terms and conditions as the Water & Sewer District shall fix and determine.

3. Any person whose estate does not abut a street upon which an existing sewer line is laid and is not located in an area into which an extension of an existing water and/or sewer line is presently contemplated, may petition the Trustees of the District nevertheless to extend an existing water and/or sewer line to some specified point at which he or she can access it. Such petition shall further state the petitioner's willingness to pay such portion of the cost of said construction in addition to his assessment as may be agreed upon between the petitioner and the District. Upon receipt of such a petition, the Trustees of the District may, if they find that the cost of the construction requested would not otherwise be justified because of the community benefit conferred, which finding shall be noted in the permanent records of the District, authorize such construction upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the petitioner and the District. Partial refunds to the petitioner of the amount expended by him in excess of 50% of the cost of such extension may be made by the District where additional connections to the extended portion of the water and/or sewer line occur within 10 years from the date of completion of the original construction. The amount of any such refund shall be derived by calculating the estimated additional revenue to be received by the District from the newly connected customer multiplied times an investment factor to be determined and revised from time to time, if necessary, by the Trustees of the District. Where costs of construction have been advanced by more than one petitioner, refunds shall be apportioned among them according to the amount of their advances.

SECTION 13.

Crossings of railroad regulated.

1. In case of any crossing of any railroad, unless consent is given by the company owning or operating such railroad as to place, manner and conditions of the crossing, within thirty days after such consent is requested by said District, the public utilities commission shall determine the place, manner and conditions of such crossing; and all work within the limits of such railroad location shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of such railroad company, but at the expense of the District.

SECTION 14.

Issuance of Bonds.

1. The Auburn Water & Sewer District is hereby authorized to issue bonds from time to time for the further purpose of the purchase or acquisition of property and rights, of making extensions, additions and improvements to its water and sewerage systems and to the existing sources of water supply and of securing additional sources of each water supply. Said Auburn Water & Sewer District is also authorized to borrow money for temporary purposes and to issue therefor the interest-bearing negotiable notes of the District, which said notes shall be payable no later than one year from the date thereof. Said notes and bonds shall be legal obligations of said District, which is hereby declared to be a quasi-municipal corporation within the meaning of section one hundred and five, chapter fifty-one, of the revised statutes, and all the provisions of said section and acts amendatory thereof shall be applicable thereto. Said notes and bonds shall be legal investments for savings banks. Every issue of bonds shall be payable within a term of thirty years.

SECTION 15.

Bonds, Now Payable.

1. Bonds issue by said Auburn Water & Sewer District under authority of this Act shall be payable in such annual installments as will extinguish each issue within thirty years from its date; and the amount of such annual installment in any year shall not be less than the amount of the principal of said issue payable in any subsequent year; or in lieu of such provision for serial payments, said District shall create a sinking fund by setting aside annually from its-income such amount as shall be sufficient with interest accumulations to extinguish and pay at maturity any issue of bonds which contain no provision for serial payment as aforesaid. The money so set aside shall be devoted to the purchase or retirement of the obligations of said District or invested in securities legal for savings banks in the state of Maine.

2. In case of default in the payment of any of said bonds or the coupons attached thereto, when due, any holder thereof may petition the supreme judicial court for the County of Androscoggin by bill in equity, for the benefit of himself as well as for the benefit of all other holders of said bonds, and said court may enforce said lien, by appointment of receiver and by sale of said property, according to the usual practice in equity proceedings.

   Bonds of the Auburn Water & Sewer District shall be redeemed as follows: The District may create a sinking fund for the retirement of its bonded indebtedness by setting aside annually from its income a sum equal to at least 1% of its total bonded indebtedness. Said sinking fund shall be invested in such securities as savings banks of this State are authorized to invest in, and shall be held, together with its accumulations, for the sole purpose of paying the principal of said bonds, or it may issue its serial bonds to mature at such times as shall be fixed by the board of Trustees.

   Bonds issued under the provisions of this Act may be purchased and held by savings banks

in this state.

SECTION 16.

Rates, Now Established.

1. All individuals, firms and corporations, public or private, other than the Auburn Water & Sewer District, shall pay to treasurer of said District the rates established by its board of Trustees for the service used by them, which shall be uniform within the territory supplied by the District and shall be subject to the approval of the Public Utilities Commission. The City of Auburn shall pay for the service used by it in its public and school buildings such meter rate as shall be fixed by its board of Trustees and such sum for each public fire hydrant payable on an annual basis as the board of Trustees of the District, may from time to time, determine by contract to extend for such period of time as shall be fixed thereby, to be subject to the approval of the Public Utilities Commission.

   Said rates shall be so established as to provide revenue for the following purposes:

   - To pay current expenses for operating and maintaining the water system.
   - To provide for the payment of the interest on the Indebtedness created by
   - the District
   - To provide each year a sum equal to not less than 1% nor more than 5%
   - of the entire indebtedness created by the District, which sum shall be
   - turned into a sinking fund and there kept and used for the extinguishment
   - of said indebtedness. The money set aside for the sinking fund until used
   - for the retirement of the obligations of the District may be placed at
   - interest in any bank or trust company or invested in such securities as
   - savings banks or fiduciaries or Trustees are now or hereafter allowed to
   - hold. Provided, however, that the Trustees may, in. their discretion and in
   - lieu of the establishment of a sinking fund, issue the bonds of the District
   - to mature as provided in the previous sections.
   - If any surplus remains at the end of the year, it may be used for the improvement of the system or turned into a sinking fund.

2. Rates specific to sewerage. All persons, firms, and corporations, whether private, public, or municipal, shall pay to the District the rates and other lawful charges established by the Trustees for the sewer or drainage service used or available to the real estate owned or occupied by them. Said rates may include a charge for the District to remain in readiness to serve against the owners or occupants of all real estate whether improved or not abutting or reasonably accessible to the sewers and drains of the District even though such premises are not actually connected thereto.

Rates and other lawful charges shall be uniform within the District whenever the cost of installation and maintenance of sewers and their appurtenances and the cost of service is substantially uniform. The District may, however, establish a higher rate or other lawful charge in areas where, for any reason, the cost to the District of construction and maintenance, or the cost of service, exceeds the average, but such higher rate, or other lawful charges shall be uniform throughout the sections in which they apply.

The rates established may be based or computed upon the quantity of water used, the number and size of drain or sewer connections the number and kind of plumbing fixtures in use in the premises connected with the drain or sewer, the number or average number of persons residing or working in or otherwise connected with such premises, the type or character of such premises, or upon any other factor bearing a reasonable relation to the nature and extent of the facilities and service furnished. Rates applicable to industrial plants obtaining all or part of their water supply from sources other than the public water supply may be determined by gauging or metering or in any other manner approved by the Trustees of the District. In cases in which the character of the sewage from any industrial plant, building or premises is such that it imposes an unusual burden upon the drain or sewer or upon any facility to which such sewage is piped for treatment, an additional charge fairly reflecting such additional burden may be made therefor or the Trustees may in their discretion require that such sewage be treated according to prescribed specifications before being discharged into any drain or sewer maintained by the District.

Prior to adoption of a new rate system, the Trustees shall publish the proposed rules for circulation in the City of Auburn and by holding a public hearing thereon at a public meeting place in the City of Auburn not less than 7 days after publication of the proposed rules and regulations, such publication also to state the time and place of the meeting. After adoption of such rules and regulations, copies of the same shall be printed and made available upon request to rate-payers or prospective rate-payers of the District.

The rates and other lawful charges shall be established so as to provide revenue for the following purposes:

- To pay estimated expenses of operating and maintaining the sewerage system during the ensuing year including any assessment which may be levied by the Lewiston-Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority for sewage treatment and disposal.
- To provide for the payment of interest and principal on indebtedness of the District.
- To provide for a sinking fund in accordance with provisions of section 6.

If any surplus remains at the end of the year, it may be transferred to the sinking fund.

After adoption of the new rate system, any rate-payer may within 30 days after receipt of his bill for sewer charges make written application to the Trustees for an abatement

setting forth the grounds of his request. Notice mailed to the last known address of the ratepayer shall be presumed to have been delivered in the ordinary course of the mail. Abatements shall be granted in case of error in computation or where the rate is arbitrary or bears no reasonable relation to the volume and kind of sewage discharged into the sewer system. An appeal from the decision of the Trustees may be taken to the Androscoggin County Commissioners in the same manner provided for appeals from assessments of municipal taxes.

3. Collection of unpaid rates, assessments, and other lawful charges. The clerk of the District shall have full authority to collect rates and other lawful charges including assessments due to the District, but the Trustees of the District may vote to transfer this responsibility to some other officer or employee. Bills for such rates and other lawful charges shall be mailed by the District to each rate-payer at his last known address at least 30 days before the date after which interest will be charged thereon. The bill shall state the date upon which the rate or other lawful charge becomes due and payable, the date after which interest will be charged thereon, and the amount of such annual interest not to exceed 8%.

   The treasurer may, after the expiration of the time permitted for appeal, institute a civil action in the name of the District to collect any unpaid rates or other lawful charges, including assessments. The District shall also have a lien upon the land and buildings benefited by its sewers and drains to secure payment of rates and other lawful charges including assessments, which shall take precedence over all other claims against such real estate, except claims for taxes. In lieu of or in addition to the right to collect delinquent rates or other lawful charges through the institution of civil proceedings, the District may enforce its lien after the expiration of 3 months and within one year after the date when the bill for rates or other lawful charges became due and payable, by sending by registered or certified mail a notice in writing stating the amount of such rate or other lawful charge describing the real estate upon which a lien is claimed, and stating that a lien is claimed on said real estate to secure payment of the bill for rates or other lawful charges and demanding payment within 30 days after receipt of the notice. Whenever such notice is returned undelivered, supplemental notice shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Auburn once a week for two successive weeks demanding payment within 30 days after the date of the first publication. After the expiration of said 30-day period and within one year thereafter, the District shall cause to be recorded in the Androscoggin County registry of deeds a certificate signed by the treasurer setting forth the amount of the rate or other lawful charge which is due, describing the real estate on which the lien is claimed, and stating that a lien is claimed on the real estate to secure payment of said rate or other lawful charge and that a notice and demand for payment of the same has been given in accordance with this section. At the time of recording the certificate, a true copy of the certificate shall be filed in the office of the District and an additional copy shall be sent by registered or certified mail to each record holder of any mortgage on the real estate addressed to such record holder at his or her last known address.

The filing of the certificate in the registry of deeds as aforesaid shall be deemed to create a lien on the real estate described which shall have priority over all other liens except liens for taxes and shall give to the District all of the rights usually possessed by mortgagees, except that the District shall not have any right to possession of the real estate until the right of redemption has expired. If the lien, together with interest and costs, has not been paid within 18 months after the date of filing in the registry of deeds, the lien shall be deemed to have been foreclosed and the right of redemption to have expired. In the event that said rate or other lawful charge, together with interest and costs including the fee for recording a discharge of the lien, shall be paid within the period of redemption, the District shall cause the lien to be discharged in the same manner provided for the discharge of real estate mortgages.

SECTION 18.

Act to Take Effect.

This Act shall take effect in ninety days after the final adjournment of the Legislature, so far as necessary to empower the District to conduct all authorized activities as set forth herein.

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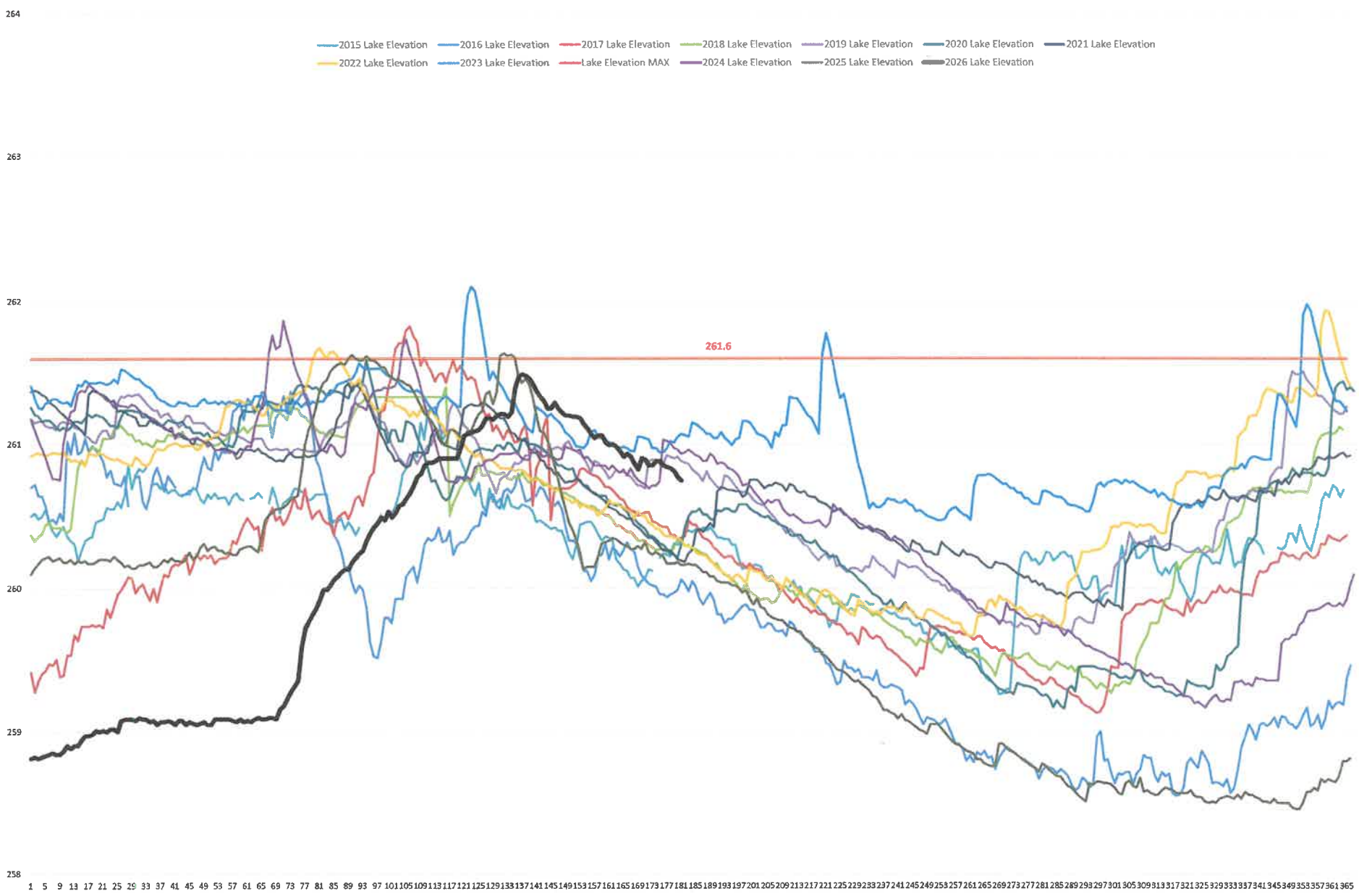
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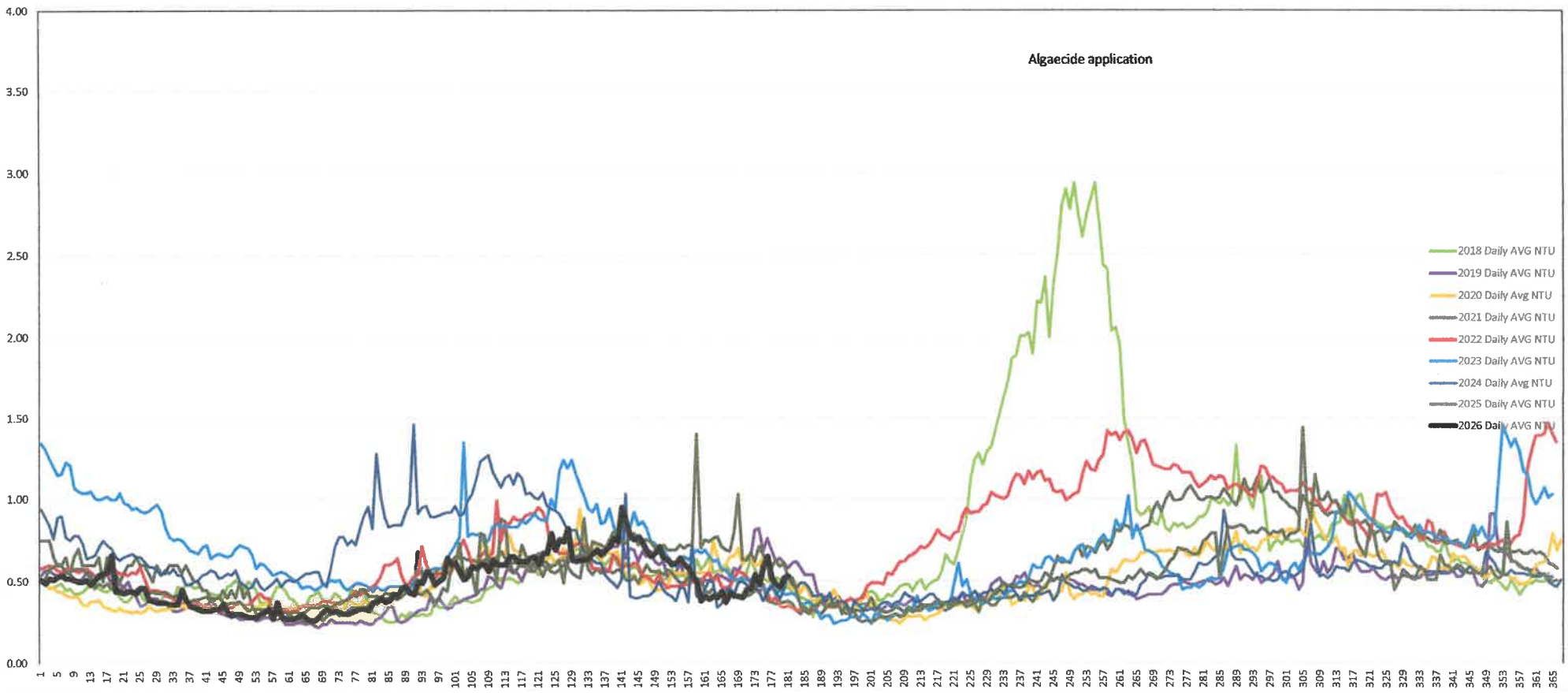
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AUBURN WATER DISTRICT
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT
JUNE 2026

Water Main Leak Investigations and Repairs

			Leak Check		Repair	
Task/Time Spent	**Hrs**	**Location/Description**	**On District**	**On Owner**	**Repair Completed**	**Boil Water Order?**
Leak Investigations	12	Taywood Drive, 50 Whitney St., 828 Minot,	1	2		
		Allied Road (8" Sprinkler Break)		1		
Main Repairs	42	Waterview Drive near Taywood (2 breaks)	2			
Total for Month	54					
Year to Date Total	615					
Previous Year Total*	1223					

* Total hours for previous year are approximate

WATER GATE VALVES

Task/Time Spent	**Hours**	**Location/Description**	**Adjust or Repair**	**Install New**	**Misc.**
Raise/Lower Gates for Paving	324	Minot Ave, Western Ave.	√		
Repair Gate Valves	1		√		
Total for Month	325				
Year to Date Total	446				
Previous Year Total	19				

HYDRANTS

Task/Time Spent	**Hrs.**	**Location/Description**	**Broken**	**Frozen**	**New**	**Misc.**
Shovel/Mark/Check	0					
Repair Hydrants	15	#217 (Carol St.) #289 (Goldthwaite), #491 (James)	3			
Flushing Hydrants	209	Spring Flushing Program - system wide				
Total for Month	224					
Year to Date Total	1098					
Previous Year Total	1704					

NEW SERVICES

Task/Time Spent	**Hrs**	**Location/Description**	**Install**	**Contractor Coordination**
Install New Services	26	276 Fletcher, 109 Coburn, etc.	4	
Total for Month	26			
Year to Date Total	124			
Previous Year Total	98			

WORK ON SERVICES

Task/Time Spent	Hrs.	Location/Description	# Locations
Frozen Service	0		
On/Off for Repairs	9	Various	8
Shut off for Non-Payment	27	28 locations shutoff, 25 reinstated	28
Multis Tagged	2	7 locations	7
Total for Month	38		
Year to Date Total	383		
Previous Year Total	313		

METERS

Task/Time Spent	Hrs.	Location/Description	# Locations
Frozen Meters	0		
New Meter Install	13	Various	11
Change Out (Replace w/ KamStrup)	12	"	6
2026 Meter Replacement Program	158	"	See Hydrocorp Report
Final Reads	19	Various	28
Meter Reading	23	System-wide	
Remove/Install Meter (Seasonal)	0		
Total for Month	225		
Year to Date Total	767		
Previous Year Total	972		

STATION CHECKS

Task/Time Spent	Hrs.	Location/Description
Poland Booster Station	1	OK
Poland Spring Booster Station	1	OK
New Gloucester Booster Station	3	OK
Stable Ridge Booster Station	3	OK
Brentwood Booster Station	0	
Total for Month	8	
Year to Date Total	55	
Previous Year Total	241	

WATER QUALITY CALLS

Task/Time Spent	Hrs.	Location/Description	Dirty	Color	Taste or Odor	Misc.
Respond to calls	1	299 Minot Ave (lower pressure, clogged filter)				1
Total for Month	1					
Year to Date Total	8					
Previous Year Total	15					

LABORATORY

Month	Dist. Sys. Tests	Temp (°C) Air	Temp (°C) Water	Avg. NaOH gal/MG	Avg. Cl mg/l	Avg. Fl mg/l	Avg. Turb. (ntu)	SWTR Tests
January	47		2.3	23.73	3.05	0.72	0.35	31
February	44		2.6	23.75	2.97	0.75	0.33	28
March	51		2.4	23.72	2.99	0.74	0.33	31
May	46		4.0	23.86	2.98	0.74	0.52	30
May	47		12.2	24.18	2.89	0.73	0.71	31
June	50		15.2	24.20	2.78	0.71	0.49	30
July								
August								
September								
October								
November								
December								
YTD Avg			6.5	23.9	2.9	0.7	0.5	
YTD Totals	285							181

LAKE AUBURN

Month	No. Patrols	Withdrawals * AWD	Withdrawals * LWD	Withdrawals * Total	Elevations ** 1st	Elevations ** High	Elevations ** Yr.	Elevations ** Low	Elevations ** Yr.
January	6	2.32	3.13	5.45	259.09	261.41	2023	257.2	2001
February	7	2.36	3.24	5.60	259.09	261.70	1996	257.1	2002
March	9	2.36	3.30	5.66	259.07	261.41	2010	257	2002.00
May	17	2.34	3.06	5.40	260.22	262.40	1953	258	2002.00
May	20	2.43	3.29	5.72	261.06	261.82	2023	259	2007.00
June	15	2.58	3.53	6.11	261.19	261.80	2003	259	2007.00
July						261.70	2013	259	1960.00
August						261.32	2023	258	1999.00
September						260.92	2013	257	1999.00
October						261.10	1981	258	1952.00
November						260.95	2011	257	1952.00
December						261.30	1981	257	1952.00
Avg. Daily		2.40	3.26	5.66					

* Average Daily Withdrawals MGD ** Elevation Above Sea Level

WEATHER

Month	Precipitation: Snowfall (in.)	Normal Snowfall (in.)	Departure from Normal	Rain (in.)	Normal Rain (in.)	Departure from Normal	Max (°F)	Min (°F)	Avg (°F)	Normal (°F)
January	23.90	**16.50**	7.40	2.07	**1.10**	0.97	41.0	-7.0	17.0	**20**
February	7.50	**14.90**	-7.40	1.17	**1.4**	-0.23	29	11.0	20.0	**23**
March	15.50	**10.40**	5.10	2.75	**2.3**	0.45	41	23.0	32.0	**32**
May	0.40	**2.50**	-2.10	5.20	**3.4**	1.80	52	33.0	42.5	**43**
May	0.00	**0.10**	-0.10	5.69	**3.5**	2.2	63	44.0	53.5	**54**
June	0.00	**0.00**	0.00	3.77	**3.6**	0.2	76	55.0	65.5	**63**
July		**0.00**			**3.2**					**69**
August		**0.00**			**3.1**					**67**
September		**0.00**			**3.3**					**59**
October		**0.40**			**4.2**					**48**
November		**4.60**			**3.7**					**38**
December		**14.60**			**2.1**					**26**
YTD Totals	47.30	64.00		20.65	34.90					

* From https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/cdo-web/search POLAND, ME US USC00178856

DIG SAFE

Month	Total	Contractors	MDOT	APW	School Dept.	Lewiston Water	CMP	AWD	ASD	GAS	Other
January	30	11	0	0	0	0	13	6	0	0	0
February	41	7	0	0	0	0	27	6	1	0	0
March	99	53	1	10	0	0	25	7	1	2	0
May	174	119	8	29	0	0	8	4	0	5	1
May	135	77	3	16	0	0	25	7	0	6	1
June	175	76	0	81	0	0	6	6	0	5	1
July											
August											
September											
October											
November											
December											
YTD Totals	654	343	12	136	0	0	104	36	2	18	3

DUTY FORMAN CALLS
(Overtime)

Districts	Total # Calls	High/Low Pressure	Water Quality	Alarms	Service Issue	Leak	Misc.	Hydrants	Meter	Fire Calls
Sewerage District	3			0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Water District	6	0	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0
Total for Month	9									
Year to Date Total	64									
Previous Year Total	65	0	0	0	5	2	2	0	0	0

OTHER ACTIVITIES (TRAINING, MAINTENANCE AND INVENTORY)

Activity	Hours
Plowing and Sanding/Snow Removal (Split with Sewerage District)	0
Equipment Maintenance	24
Truck Maintenance	15
General Tasks including meetings, paperwork, housekeeping	123
Building Maintenance	8
Inventory	17
Operator Training	48