

Sewer Board Meeting

April 7, 2022

The regular meeting of the Pulaski Sewer Board was duly held on the 10th day of March at 4:00 PM in the Auditorium of the Snow Memorial Building, 4917 Jefferson Street, Pulaski, NY 13142.

Sewer Board Members Present: Chairman Robert Adamski, Commissioner Craig Waite, and Commissioner David Allen

Village Officials and Staff: Mayor Jan Tighe, Dean Merritt – Operation and Maintenance, Inc., Cathy Spinney, Village Clerk/Treasurer and Jennifer Gibbs, Part Time Clerk.

Absent: None

Guest(s): Jeffery Tubolino of Blue Line Engineering.

Agenda Item #1 – Previous Minutes

Craig Waite made the motion to approve the minutes from March 10, 2022, and David Allen seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

Agenda Item #2 – Staff Activity Reports (DPW & WWTP)

The motion to accept the the DPW and WWTP reports was made by David Allen and seconded by Craig Waite.

Dean Merritt reported on the operation and management of the WWTP and Pump Station. During the month of March 2022, 13,268,000 gallons, which is an average of 428,000 gallons per day were treated. The sample results were Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) removed was 95 percent and the Total Suspended Solids (TSS) removed was 97 percent.

The WWTP received and completed the 2021 Wastewater Treatment Facility Design, Planning, and Flow Management Annual Certification Form. The 2020 annual flow average was 463,000.

Eggan Excavating was on site to pump out the grease from the pump stations and manholes.

There was an issue with the belt press sump pump not pumping. The pump was pulled, and rags and debris were found in the impeller. The pump was cleaned and is working fine.

There were also leaves and debris in the belt press poly blend injection mixer. The debris did not allow the polymer to mix properly. The mixer was cleaned out and is now working well.

Dean Merritt told the Board of a leak at the WWTP. He is gathering quotes for repairs. Dean Merritt will be contacting Bill Noreault of the DWP to take a look at trees that have come down at the plant and damaged the fence. If the DPW is not able to do the work Dean Merritt will be requesting quote for that as well.

Robert Adamski commented on the improvement of the runoff at the old Fulton Boiler plant since the manholes were capped.

Robert Adamski asked about where we were on the Omni Solar hook up. Mayor Jan Tighe will check with Mr. Double Day.

The motion to accept the report passed 3-0.

Agenda Item #3 – Vouchers for Review and Payment

A motion was made to approve the vouchers for payment by Craig Waite. The motion was seconded by David Allen and passed unanimously.

Agenda #4 – Treasurer's Report

David Allen made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report and it was seconded by Craig Waite. The motion passed with all in favor.

Agenda Item #5 - Old Business

- A. The Blue Line Engineering contract details have been ironed out and the Mayor Jan Tighe and Jeffrey Tubolino signed the contract. The next step will be a project kick-off meeting to be set in late April, early May.
- B. Municipal Solutions will be writing the application for the Sewer Debt Exclusion and recommended the Village wait and roll up all the sewer and water debt within the application.

Agenda Item #6 - New Business – Budget

Dean Merritt noted summed up his requests for the 2022-2023 Budget. The main building and treatment plant requires new drop ceilings, and the digester diffuser membranes will also need to be replaced. There will also be some maintenance work necessary coming soon. Everything else on his part of the proposed budget should stay about the same.

Robert Adamski requested a line for manhole repairs to be returned to the budget. The Sewer Board is working on getting quotes to rehabilitate the manhole covers.

The Village will be meeting April 20, 2022, to discuss the 2022-2023 Budget.

Agenda Item #7 – Other

Jan Tighe and the Board reviewed the updated chart of the status of Village projects and grants. The Village received a \$1,000,000 grant from Senator Gillibrand that will help with storm water mitigation projects once the engineering studies are complete. The Village will also be reaching out for more money grant money for the Sewer improvement projects as well. The Board agreed that the Village should reach out wherever possible.

After a brief review of the status of the other grants in progress the Board discussed the maintenance responsibility for the trees being planted throughout the Village. Jan Tighe informed the Board of the recent formation of the Village Tree Committee that will be maintaining the trees.

Jan Tighe was contacted by Michael Murphy the president of the Conference of Oswego County Mayors. One of the topics was the landfill costs for sludge. The Conference hopes to lobby the County to lower this fee.

Agenda Item #8– Adjournment

The motion to adjourn was made by Craig Waite at 4:50 PM and seconded by David Allen. The motion passed 3-0.

The next monthly meeting of the Sewer Board will be held Thursday May 12th, 2022, at 4:00 P.M

Presented & Approved

Jennifer Gibbs

Part-Time Clerk