MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION APRIL 13, 2017

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, April 13, 2017, at 9:00 AM.

Chairman Gehauf, Commissioners George, Young, Deffenbaugh, Hensel, Director of Operations Wendt, Supervisor Brodie were present.

Agnes Yount, LaVale Civic Improvement Association was also in attendance.

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of March 9, 2017 had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Deffenbaugh moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Brodie for the maintenance report.

Mr. Brodie reported that a check valve had failed in the sewage pump station and had been repaired by Commission personnel. He went on to report that Commission personnel had also removed Pump 4 from service for repairs. Mr. Wendt stated the pump was in need of some routine maintenance and was taken to the local machine shop for repairs. He stated a new mechanical seal and impeller would be installed.

Mr. Brodie reported on several blocked sewer calls. The blockages were located on Trescher Heights, Winchester Road and Applewood Drive. Discussion followed concerning the sewer issues.

Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel had repaired a water leak on Eleanor Street. He stated the leak was on an eight-inch line and was a full circle break. He went on to report on a leak on Oaklawn Avenue on a service line. Mr. Brodie then reported on an issue on Butler Drive where the property owners had buried the shut off valve under a driveway extension. He stated Commission personnel had to install a new shutoff and an outside meter.

Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel had responded to a leak at 328 Sunset which was caused by the homeowner during an attempted repair. Discussion followed concerning the call.

- Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel had terminated five services for non-payment, as of the meeting two remained off.
- Mr. Brodie reported on the galvanized line replacement on Avondale Avenue. He stated the project was complete. Discussion followed concerning the project.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the projects. Mr. Wendt reported that the progress meeting was held on March 6, 2017. Mr. Wendt stated the Mechanic Street Sewer Project had been completed including all punch list items. He went on to say he was working on the loan closing.

Mr. Wendt reported the Manhole Rehabilitation Project Phase II. He went on to say the project had started Monday February 6, 2017. As of the meeting 94 manholes had been completed with 105 remaining. He stated no pay requests had been received. Discussion followed concerning the project.

Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the Sewage Pump Station Project. He stated he had written a letter to MDE returning the funding for the project. Discussion followed concerning the problems and the proposed grant.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for March 2017.

During February 2017, lost water was 115,782 gallons per day.

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Zone 1 Lost	14,581 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	30,039 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	16,531 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	10,847 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	19,960 Gallons per day	Zone 6 Lost	13,371 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost	997 Gallons per day	Zone 8 Lost	6,951 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt presented the Commission with the arrearage bills for the Diamond Shine Car Washes. He stated the bank had taken possession of the facilities and were operating them. He stated he wanted to remove the arrearages incurred under the bankruptcy. He stated that the balances that needed to be adjusted off their bills was \$8,280.08. Discussion followed concerning the adjustment and the possibility of being reimbursed under the bankruptcy settlement.

Commissioner George moved the accounts be adjusted. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Under the heading of New Business, Mr. Wendt stated the Slumberland Hotel had been listed as a new potential retail development.

Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the conversation he had with Tom Farrell, a member of the Alhambra organization regarding the old KofC building. He stated that Alhambra had purchased the building to use as a site for a Special Olympics and Luke's Place building. Mr. Wendt stated the property was currently on a well and septic system and needed to be served by public water and sewer for the project to work successfully. Discussion followed concerning the project and the adjacent properties that could also benefit from water and sewer service. The Commissioners asked that Mr. Wendt meet with the individuals and propose some sort of involvement by the Commission in the project.

Mr. Wendt then stated that the final Engineering Report for the WWTP evaluation had been delivered. He stated the Commissioners were welcome to take a copy with them. Commissioner Young and George requested electronic copies.

Mr. Wendt presented the Commission with a copy of a letter from Jacqueline Gates-Macklin. The letter stated she was not going to pay a bill to have her service reinstated. Discussion followed concerning the letter.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:30 AM.

Chairman

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