

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION
DECEMBER 14, 2017

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, December 14, 2017, at 9:00 AM.

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

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

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of November 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. Wendt for his maintenance report.

Mr. Wendt stated he had a short report from Mr. Brodie prior to his vacation. He reported that Commission personnel had cleared three blocked sewers since the last meeting. The blockages were on National Highway and Gramelich Road. He stated that the blockage on Gramelich Road was caused by landscaping stone. He stated someone had placed white landscaping stone in the sewer, but he was not sure how it was done. Discussion continued concerning the problem.

Mr. Wendt reported on a leak that was discovered in Zone 2. He stated the unaccounted for rate indicated a problem in that zone and Commission personnel located the leak in National Highway. Discussion followed concerning the leak and the repair. He stated he had cancelled the removal of the old PRV to allow for the repair of the leak. He went on to say the old PRV would be removed after the first of the year.

Mr. Gehauf questioned the private sewer repair at 543 National Highway. Mr. Wendt stated they had issues with the service line and Commission personnel were helping with the location of the service line.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the projects.

Mr. Wendt stated the PRV project was shut down as stated earlier. He went on to say that construction was done until the weather allowed.

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

During October 2017 lost water was 128,924 gallons per day.

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Zone 1 Lost	13,631 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	41,115 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	16,207 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	8,477 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	42,446 Gallons per day	Zone 6 Lost	18,842 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost	88 Gallons per day	Zone 8 Lost	7,430 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt opened discussion on the Emergency Utility Upgrade for water and sewer lines impacted by the Columbia Gas system upgrade. He stated he had received three quotes from contractors for the proposed line replacement. The quotes were as follows:

Carl Belt Inc.	\$99,200.00
Excavating Associates	\$101,523.00
Shaffer Construction	\$225,000.00

Discussion followed concerning the bids and the project. Commissioner Young moved the project be awarded to Belt Construction. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on the proposed development of the property on Adkins Lane by the Alhambra for the Luke's Place. He stated that the Alhambra Group had sent an email stating they were meeting with Walmart to discuss the acquisition of water and sewer from Walmart.


Under the heading of New Business, Turnbull, Hoover and Kahl, the new auditors for the Commission had been working on the audit. Commissioner George stated the draft report was submitted and looked promising. Discussion followed concerning the draft.

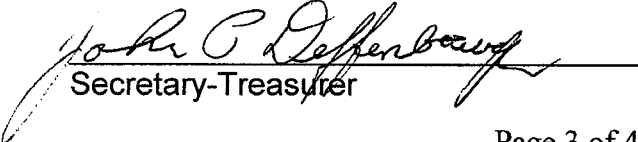
Mr. Wendt opened discussion on the annual PACE reception. He stated the reception was scheduled for January 25, 2018 and the Commission would be attending to request funding for various projects. He stated that with the emergency job that was approved previously the schedule would be tight for additional projects. He asked the Commissioner to consider the number of projects that would be applied for funding. He stated that each project would require substantial time and money, even in the design phase. Discussion turned to the County wide project and the geotechnical work that was to be completed prior to the PACE reception. He went on to say that if the geotechnical work proved the gravity line was viable, a major design project would start in 2018. He stated discussion could continue at the January meeting regarding the number of project that would be submitted for funding.

Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Wendt opened discussion about the most recent MDE serer inspection. He stated he was at Red Hill with three MDE employees when he was approached by Mr. Bob Laber and asked to vacate the property. Mr. Wendt stated Mr. Laber was extremely confrontational and aggressive. Discussion followed concerning the problem.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with a quote from Control Point Inc. for Phase II of the SCADA replacement. Mr. Wendt stated the cost for Phase II was \$10,045.00. Mr. Wendt stated he needed to continue with the replacement due to ongoing problems with the existing system. Commissioner George moved the second phase be awarded. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:20 AM.


Chairman


Secretary-Treasurer