

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION  
APRIL 12, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 9:00 AM.

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

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of March 8, 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 his maintenance report.

Mr. Brodie stated that his Commission personnel had addressed routine sewer issues. He stated that Commission personnel had cleared the root problem on National Highway and Cash Valley Road. Discussion followed concerning the issues on National Highway.

Mr. Brodie stated Commission personnel had installed a new pump at the Colony heights Pump station. He stated the pump worked well and the station had all new pumps.

Mr. Brodie briefed the Commission on an issue on Quarry Ridge. He stated there was only one shutoff valve for two properties. He went on to say that one of the residents had asked the service to their home be terminated as she was leaving the Country for three years. Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel had installed two new outside meters. Discussion following concerning the issue.

Mr. Brodie reported that a new outside meter was installed on Butler Drive. Discussion followed concerning the repair and the need for a service line freeze machine.

Mr. Brodie opened discussion on two service line leaks on National Highway. He stated the line was the newest in LaVale, installed in 2006, and had four service line failures, three of which were within the last year. Discussion followed concerning the failures and the potential liability.

Mr. Brodie then reported Columbia Gas Transmission was preparing to install new lines in LaVale. Discussion followed concerning the project.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt stated that Belt had started the project on McHenry Street on April 9, 2018. Mr. Hensel stated the project was moving along well.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for March 2018.

During February 2018 lost water was 177,017 gallons per day.

During March 2018 lost water was 180,833 gallons per day.

Zone 1 Lost	19,131 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	35,765 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	20,672 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	13,581 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	52,493 Gallons per day	Zone 6 Lost	30,773 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost	162 Gallons per day	Zone 8 Lost	8,256 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt stated he and Commissioner Young had met with County Attorney Rudd concerning the revisions to the Commission Code. He stated the revisions were intended to address the use of the Ad Valorem Tax monies.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of a sewer credit request. Mr. Wendt stated the credit request was as follows:

15 Asbury Avenue                      \$347.79

Commissioner Hensel moved the credit be extended. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.


Under the heading of New Business, Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the new State Police Barracks. He stated the engineer for the project had scheduled a meeting on site to discuss the project. He stated the budget for the new barracks was 12 million dollars.

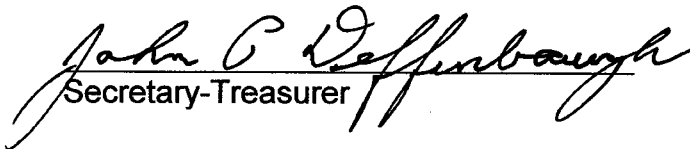
Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the ECWAG Program. He stated the PER had been completed and submitted to the USDA for approval. Discussion followed concerning the application.

Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Young briefed the Commission on the water loss being experienced by the Commission. He stated that if we could reduce the unaccounted for water by ten percent we could save \$50,000.00 a year. Extensive discussion followed concerning the problem.

Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the Magnolia Greene housing development. Discussion followed concerning the development.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:15 AM.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary-Treasurer