

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION
MAY 10, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, May 10, 2018, at 9:00 AM.

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

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

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of April 12, 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 Commission personnel had addressed routine sewer issues. He stated that Commission personnel had cleared the root problem on National Highway and Campground Road. Discussion followed concerning the issues and the need for residents to call the Commission before calling plumbers.

Mr. Brodie stated Commission personnel had inspected a sewer lateral at LaVale Veterinarian office and found it was tied to the sewer system. He stated the connection was eliminated and he felt this would eliminated the reoccurring problems.

Mr. Brodie briefed the Commission on an issue the road patching. He stated Walker Paving was out repairing the roads damaged by the Commission during repairs over the winter. He stated the Route 40 repairs would be completed within the next two weeks.

Mr. Brodie then briefed the Commission on another water leak in National Highway. The leak was at 629 National Highway. He stated it was another new service line that had eroded. He briefed the Commission on a leak that had been repaired on Winchester road. He stated the leak was on a galvanized blow off. He stated the leak had been going on for some time.

Mr. Brodie stated he may have discovered another leak on Winchester Road. He stated he would dig on it following the meeting to determine if it was a leak.

Mr. Brodie opened discussion on the Emergency Gas Line Project. He stated Maple and McHenry Streets were completed and work was proceeding on Klosterman. Discussion followed concerning the job and how well it was proceeding.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt stated that he and Mr. Brodie had met with Dave Snyder of Belt Construction concerning another section of galvanized line that needed to be replaced within the limits of the existing contract. He stated the three inch line that feeds the entire area that has been replaced is failing and the construction had caused other issues with the line. He went on to say the line crossed a stream and the crossing would be eliminated with the replacement. Discussion followed concerning the line and the need to replace it. Mr. Wendt stated the price from Belt Construction was much higher than expected and he felt it was necessary to get competitive bids for the project. Mr. Wendt stated he would get competitive bids for the three inch water line and for the sewer on Wiegand Street as requested by Commissioner Hensel.

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

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

During April 2018 lost water was 175,645 gallons per day.

Zone 1 Lost	16,554 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	33,476 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	20,649 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	16,759 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	50,321 Gallons per day	Zone 6 Lost	29,674 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost	0 Gallons per day	Zone 8 Lost	8,830 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt stated MDE had finalized the CSO discharge permits. He stated the permit would be advertised in the paper and a public hearing could be requested.

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

116 Santa Fe	\$90.67
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Commissioner Hensel moved the credit be extended. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on the status of the ECWAG Grant application. He stated he had met with Kendra Harmon, USDA, and completed the online application. Mr. Wendt stated he would continue with the application process.

Mr. Wendt stated he had received a proposal from Utility Services for leak detection service. The proposal was for \$6,751.00. Commissioner Young moved the proposal be accepted. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Under the heading of New Business, Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the grant from MDE for Basin Six Pressure Sewer. He stated the grant was for 4 million dollars. He stated the grant was an 87.5% grant, meaning the Commission had to pay \$500,000.00. Discussion followed concerning the project. Commissioner Young asked Mr. Wendt to contact MDE and determine if the grant could be transferred to the pump station project. A vote on the grant issue was delayed until the next meeting.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 11:00 AM.


Chairman


Secretary-Treasurer