

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION
AUGUST 12, 2021

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, August 12, 2021, at 9:00 AM.

Chairman Gehauf, Commissioners George, McKenzie, and Young were in attendance. Director of Operations Wendt and Supervisor Brodie were also in attendance. Commissioner Hensel was absent due to COVID.

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of July 8, 2021, had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Young moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Brodie for his maintenance report.

Mr. Brodie reported on sewer issues addressed by Commission personnel over the last month. Mr. Brodie stated that a service line had blocked at 414 Georges Creek Boulevard that had been damaged by NPL had been repaired.

Mr. Brodie reported that quarterly routine sewer maintenance was being performed by Commission personnel. He stated that due to the dry weather the crews were finding root blockages.

Mr. Brodie reported on numerous issues with water lines being damaged by NPL. He stated that the lines were located at 611 Second Street, 555 and 565 Braddock Street, 529 B Street, 610 North Third Street. He stated that he had installed outside meters on all the damaged service lines. Discussion followed concerning the damage and how the Commission deals with the amount of damage and the loss of water.

Mr. Brodie then reported on a leak at 12108 Winchester Road. He stated that the property owner had reported a wet spot. He stated that Commission personnel had repaired the leak.

Mr. Brodie then reported on an ongoing issue at 510 B Street. The property owner had water in the basement and could not locate the cause of the issue. Mr. Brodie stated he would dig in front of the property to determine if the water was coming from the main.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for July 2021.

During June 2021, lost water was 58,354 gallons per day.

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Zone 1 Lost	0 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	16,333 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	6,645 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	12,939 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	9,526 Gallons per day	Zone 5A Lost	580 Gallons per day
Zone 6 Lost	7,622 Gallons per day	Zone 7 Lost	607 Gallons per day
Zone 8 Lost	0 Gallons per day		

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the issues with Lowes. He stated they had been very receptive and willing to accommodate the Commissions demand for a grinder pump. He stated that they are working on designs and pricing for the grinder pump installation. In the interim, they agreed to install air dryers and remove the paper towels from the store. He stated they had responded in writing to proceed with installation of the grinder pump. Discussion followed concerning the response from the corporate office.

Mr. Wendt then opened discussion on the property at 12202 Ash Fleetwood Drive. He stated that the property owner had an electric line in the water main right of way that was damaged during repairs. He stated that the Commission had repaired the driveway and he did not want to dig through the repaired driveway to replace the electric line. Discussion followed concerning the line and the Commissions responsibility to repair the line. Commissioner McKenzie moved that the offer to share the expense of relocating the electric out of the Commissions right of way. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Mr. Wendt then reported on the transfer of funds from Wells Fargo to LPL Financial. He stated it was not as seamless as the Commission was led to believe. He stated that the annuity payment to Mitzi O'Brien had been missed during the transfer. Discussion followed concerning the move of funds.

Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Gehauf asked about the status of the Woda Development on Winchester Road. Mr. Wendt stated the development had used approximately 37,000 gallons of water last month. He stated the apartments were being leased.

Mr. Wendt then stated the Starbucks, Dunkin Doughnuts were still on track. He stated Ledo's Pizza had opened.

Commissioner McKenzie then briefed the Commission on the utility poles at the Red Hill Treatment Plant. He stated the poles within the facility would be replaced in September to facilitate the fiber optics cable.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:00 AM.


Chairman


Secretary-Treasurer