

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION  
JULY 11, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, July 11, 2019, at 9:00 AM.

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

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

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of June 13, 2019 had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Deffenbaugh moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner Young seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Brodie for a maintenance report.

Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel were working on a sewer problem on Winchester Road. He stated the crews had been out most of the night and were replacing a piece of main that had been blocked with what looked like a rock. He stated the line would be repaired by the end of the day.

Mr. Brodie reported that the greensand filters at the treatment plant had been repaired. He stated that all three vessels had the internal plumbing replaced and all new filtration media was installed. Mr. Wendt stated the repair was required because the filters were no longer performing as designed and causing turbidity issues in the plant. Mr. Wendt also stated he was unsure when the media was replaced previously but estimated it to have lasted ten years.

Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel had repaired an eight inch main break on Winchester Road.

Mr. Brodie then reported on numerous service line issues. He stated a service line at 1213 Braddock Road had failed and a new outside meter was installed. He reported the new line on Longview Drive had a leak, he stated one of the new fittings had failed. Commission personnel installed a new outside meter on a service line at 63 LaVale Boulevard.

Mr. Brodie then reported on a service line failure at 504 A Street. He stated the service line had failed and need to have a new outside meter. He stated Commission personnel were scheduled to install the meter by the end of the week.

Mr. Brodie then presented the Commission with a corp stop from a leak on a service line on A Street. He showed the Commission how the water had eaten half of the fitting away.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt stated the Park Avenue water line project was scheduled to start August 5, 2019.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for June 2019.

During May 2019, lost water was 122,335 gallons per day.

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Zone 1 Lost	6,661 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	28,102 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	9,146 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	27,592 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	35,730 Gallons per day	Zone 6 Lost	13,931 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost	2,828 Gallons per day	Zone 8 Lost	7,616 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt presented the Commission with a copy of the rate increase from the City of Cumberland for water. He stated the rate increase was approximately ten percent. Commissioner Young questioned the spreadsheet and asked that Mr. Wendt check on the numbers. Discussion followed concerning the rate and the need to increase Commission water rates accordingly. Commissioner Young suggested the issue be tabled until the next meeting.


Mr. Wendt opened discussion about the purchase of a piece of property for the new Locust Grove Pump Station. Mr. Wendt stated the closing could be scheduled at any time and asked the Commission for direction. Discussion followed concerning the purchase and some issues that had arisen. Commissioner Young explained that if certain purchase procedures were not followed the purchase could jeopardize the CDBG grant funding. Mr. Wendt stated he had spoken with Cindy Stone about the issue and she would supply the Commission with a letter to be signed by the property owner to eliminate any issues. Commissioner Young moved that once the letter is signed the property be purchased for \$165,000.00, the appraisal be completed, and the Commission would not seek reimbursement for the property. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

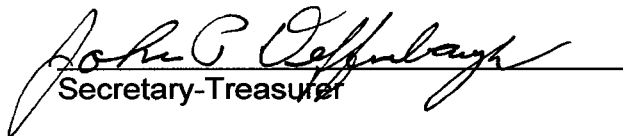
Under the heading of Old Business, Chairman Gehauf requested an update on the Woda Development and the Slumberland Development. Mr. Wendt stated the final design plans for the Slumberland development had been received and the demolition

plans for the Woda development were completed. Discussion followed concerning the developments.

Under the heading of New Business, Mr. Wendt stated he had a disgruntled customer on Blue Jay Drive. He stated the customer was disputing a high water bill and would not accept the fact that the meter indicated he had a leak. Discussion followed.

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