

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION  
JANUARY 14, 2021

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, January 14, 2021, at 9:00 AM.

Chairman Gehauf, Commissioner George attended at the Commission office. Commissioner Young, Hensel and Deffenbaugh attended via Zoom. Director of Operations Wendt and Maintenance Supervisor Brodie were present at the office.

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of December 10, 2020 had been mailed to the Commissioners. Chairman Gehauf had one correction to the minutes. Commissioner Hensel moved that the minutes be approved as corrected. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Brodie for his maintenance report. Mr. Brodie stated that Commission personnel were working on problem sewers.

Mr. Brodie then briefed the Commission on the leak in Zone Seven. He stated the leak had been located and repaired and was in the entrance to the new First Peoples Credit Union. Discussion followed concerning the leak. Mr. Wendt stated that due to the lack of people Excavating Associates had been called in to help with the repair. He stated the bill for their services was approximately \$7,000.00. More discussion followed concerning the repair.

Mr. Brodie then briefed the Commission on the new state police barracks and the Magnolia Green apartment buildings. He stated that both projects were complete as far as water and sewer. Both were now active customers.

Mr. Brodie stated that Well 3 pump had been replace at Red Hill. Mr. Wendt stated the bill for the replacement had been \$1,100.00 less than previously paid. Discussion followed concerning the replacement.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for December 2020.

During November 2020, lost water was 43,445 gallons per day.

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Zone 1 Lost	0 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	17,839 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	3,662 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	4,146 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	11,244 Gallons per day	Zone 5A Lost	2,245 Gallons per day
Zone 6 Lost	13,161 Gallons per day	Zone 7 Lost	22,678 Gallons per day
Zone 8 Lost	0 Gallons per day		

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt updated the Commission on the bids opening for the Locust Grove Sewage Project. Mr. Wendt stated that Garney Construction was awarded the gravity sewer, Belt Construction was awarded the pump station, and First Fruits was awarded the water main and sewer main. Mr. Wendt stated that the next step was to send the bid packages to MDE for approval. Discussion followed concerning the projects and the award of the bids.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with a schedule for the refinancing of the long-term debt. He stated that the bond issuance was presented at the County Commissioner meeting of January 7, 2021. Discussion followed concerning the refinancing process.

Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the virtual PACE meeting scheduled for January 14, 2021. He stated the meeting was scheduled to be held virtually on Zoom. He stated he and Commissioner Young would be attending on behalf of the Commission. Mr. Wendt stated he wanted to discuss the Winchester Road Project with Don Shephard of the USDA. He went on to say that the rest of the time would be spent discussing the Locust Grove Sewer Project.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with a letter of support for the water and sewer main portion of the Locust Grove Sewer Project. He stated the County was pursuing additional funding through CDBG and needed a letter from the Commission. Commissioner George moved the letter of support for the project be sent. Commissioner Young 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 9:35 AM.

  
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Secretary-Treasurer