

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION  
JULY 8, 2021

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, July 8, 2021, at 9:00 AM.

Chairman Gehauf, Commissioners George, Hensel, McKenzie, and Young were in attendance. Director of Operations Wendt and Supervisor Brodie were also in attendance. Larry Boggs, Boggs & Company Wealth Management, was also in attendance.

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of June 10, 2021, had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Hensel moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf introduced Mr. Boggs to the board and turned the meeting over to him. Mr. Boggs stated he was in attendance to discuss the Commission's pension plan and the possibility of transferring the fund from his previous firm, Wells Fargo, to his new firm. Mr. Boggs stated his new firm was backed by LPL Financial. Discussion followed concerning the transfer. Chairman Gehauf stated the transfer would be discussed and a decision would be forwarded to Mr. Boggs. Mr. Boggs left the meeting at 9:20 AM.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Brodie for his maintenance report. Mr. Brodie stated that new employee Nick Duvall was fitting in well and seemed to be a good addition to the crew.

Mr. Brodie reported on sewer issues addressed by Commission personnel over the last month. Mr. Brodie stated that a service line had blocked at 709 Miller Street. He stated the line was filled with roots.

Mr. Brodie reported on ongoing issues at the Maryland State Police Barracks. He stated that as part of the renovation of the barracks they had installed a grinder pump, so the barracks was not impacted, however, the issue of rags from the Lowes Store had plugged the manhole in their lot. He went on to say that Commission personnel had cleared the blockage within minutes of discovery. Mr. Wendt stated the issue was caused by Lowes and needed to be addressed later in the meeting.

Mr. Brodie then reported on issues with three service lines. The lines were located at 1248 Braddock Road 13506 Bristol Drive and 260 McHenry Street. Braddock Road and McHenry Street got new outside meters while contractors installed new service lines. Bristol Drive was a new service, to replace an existing well.

Mr. Brodie stated Commission personnel had repaired a leak on a six-inch main on Bluejay Drive. He stated the leak was located during the meter reading.

Mr. Brodie then briefed the Commission on leak on six-inch main on Parkside Drive. He stated that the biggest problem with the repair was traffic control. Discussion followed concerning the leak and the traffic control.

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

During May 2021, lost water was 58,803 gallons per day.

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Zone 1 Lost	0 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	15,480 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	4,242 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	17,413 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	11,235 Gallons per day	Zone 5A Lost	2,448 Gallons per day
Zone 6 Lost	9,718 Gallons per day	Zone 7 Lost	2,303 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 Force Main/Water Main contract. Mr. Wendt stated the County and the Commission had allowed the Contractor, First Fruits, to withdraw their bid and released them from their contract. Discussion followed concerning the decision and the reason for the decision. Mr. Young stated the decision was in the best interest of all involved while being highly irregular. Mr. Wendt stated the project would be rebid once the issues with the design were addressed.

Mr. Wendt then opened discussion concerning the Lowes sewer issues. He stated he had discussions with Commissioner Hensel regarding the problem but need input from the Commissioners as to the next step would be in addressing the issue. After extensive discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Wendt would send a letter to Lowes Corporate office requiring the installation of a grinder pump. Mr. Wendt stated he would keep the Commission informed as to the progress of the negotiations.



Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on the pre-construction meeting for the Braddock Run Sewer project. He stated the meetings had taken most of the day and with the exception of the Force Main/Water Main project all meeting went well. Discussion followed concerning the meetings.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with two sewer credit requests. The requests were as follows:

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| 1. | 12321 Stoneybrook Lane | \$324.87 |
| 2. | 1248 Braddock Road     | \$96.18  |

Discussion followed concerning the leaks. Mr. Wendt stated the leaks had been verified by Commission personnel. Commissioner George moved the credits be extended. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on some inventory he wanted to declare surplus and dispose of. He stated there were two grinder pump packages that had been purchased in 2001 and had never been installed. He stated if the Commission declared the items surplus, they would be given to the County to be used for parts. Commissioner George moved the items be declared surplus and removed from the inventory. Commissioner Young seconded and it was unanimously carried.

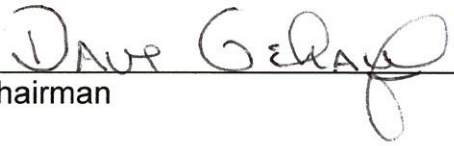
Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Gehauf asked about the status of the Woda Development on Winchester Road. Mr. Wendt stated the development had used approximately 17,000 gallons of water last month. He stated the apartments were being leased.

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

Under the heading of New Business, Chairman Gehauf reopened discussion on the transfer of the pension fund from Wells Fargo to Boggs and Company Wealth Management. Commissioner George moved the fund be transferred from Wells Fargo to Boggs. Commissioner Young seconded and it was unanimously carried. Commissioner George moved the signatories on the account be the Chairman and the Director of Operations. Commissioner Young seconded and it was unanimously carried.

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 to facilitate the fiber optics cable.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:30 AM.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary/Treasurer