

August 15, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Auburn Sewerage District was held at the office of the Auburn Sewer District, 268 Court Street, on Tuesday, August 15, 2017.

Members present: Robert Cavanagh, Raymond Fortier, Heidi McCarthy (President), Joseph Defilipp, Stephen Ness, Charles Sheehan (Treasurer) and Andrew Titus (Mayor's Representative). Also present: Sid Hazelton, Superintendent and Mike Broadbent, Assistant Superintendent and Greg Leighton (Maine Water Company), Finance Manager

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Robert Cavanagh, it was voted: **To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 2017.** Joseph Defilipp abstained from the vote.

On motion of Andrew Titus, seconded by Charles Sheehan, it was voted: **To amend the minutes to reflect the vote taken with regards to the potential property transaction.**

FINANCIAL REPORT – The District will not hit the revenue number for the year. Revenues will be down \$25,000 to \$50,000 which will be offset by favorable expenses. Greg Leighton has begun to work on the 2018 budget. The 2016 Audit has been posted on the District's website.

RATIFY PAYMENT OF BILLS

On motion of Robert Cavanagh, seconded by Charles Sheehan, it was unanimously voted: **To ratify the payment of bills in the amount of \$241,905.56 as shown on the printout dated July 1, 2017- July 31, 2017.**

OPEN SESSION – K C Geiger, Auburn Water District Trustee, was in attendance.

ACTIVITY REPORT – There were no overflows. The 24" main on Lake St. is being replaced with a 15" main. The crews have been very busy with manholes. The crews will be cleaning the main lines on Washington St. and Turner St. as night work because they are high traffic locations.

NEW BUSINESS

PROJECT UPDATES –

LAKE ST – Replacement of 600' of sewer between Shepley and Fern has been completed..

LINING PROJECTS –Layne Inliner's investigation found that Washington Street is not a candidate for lining and also found 6 catch basins tied to this sewer line. The abandonment of the cross-over pipe remedied the situation.

GREEN TURTLE PUMP STATION ELIMINATION- We are expecting to hear from the airport manager regarding FAA approval. We hope to do phases of the project in conjunction with a runway upgrade that will take place in the Fall.

PIPE BURSTING-AUBURN MALL APTS TO COBURN ST – Ted Berry replaced 1500’ of pipe. This is the first pipe bursting project we have undertaken. It has quadrupled the capacity of that main and will minimize chances of problems. A brief promotional video of the work can be seen on our Facebook page.

WORK ORDER SYSTEM – We continue to develop our electronic work order system. It is being used by several employees to record their time. All employees will eventually be recording their hours through the system.

LAWPCA APPORTIONMENT & FINANCIALS – The 64% (Lewiston) and 36% (Auburn) split will remain for the next few months. The apportionment may need to be adjusted later on in the year.

AUDITOR – We have been notified that our auditor, Horton, McFarland & Veysey, will no longer be providing auditing services to the Districts. They also service LAWPCA. We will consider a joint bid with LAWPCA for next year.

OLD BUSINESS

911 COMMUNICATIONS TOWER UPDATE - The Agreement is still under review. All details will hopefully be hammered out by the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS OF POTENTIAL PROPERTY TRANSACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (C)

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Stephen Ness, it was unanimously voted: **To move into Executive Session to discuss negotiations of potential property transaction.**

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Raymond Fortier, it was unanimously voted: **To move out of Executive Session.**

On motion of Charles Sheehan, seconded by Raymond Fortier, it was unanimously voted: **To adjourn the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Drinkwater

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Approved: September 19, 2017

A true record:

Attest: _____

Clerk