

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
LEWISTON-AUBURN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**

The regular meeting of the Lewiston-Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority was held on Friday February 12, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. via Zoom.

Directors Present:            Sid Hazelton  
                                      Norm Lamie  
                                      Mark Adams  
                                      Denis D' Auteuil  
                                      Dan Goyette  
                                      Dale Doughty  
                                      Steve Ness

Absent:                         N/A

General Manager:            Travis Peaslee

Assistant General Manager: Paula Drouin

Secretary:                    Paula Drouin

Treasurer:                    Ralph Lenfestey

Mark Adams called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m.

**Minutes**

Norm Lamie made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2021 regular meeting. Dan Goyette seconded. Sid Hazelton and Steve Ness abstained due to not being present at the meeting, all others approved, and the minutes were placed on file.

**Consent Agenda**

Sid Hazelton made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Steve Ness seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

**Financial Reports**

After a quick review of the financial reports, Norm Lamie made a motion to accept the Financial Reports. Dale Doughty seconded and the motion passed.

## **Old Business**

**Biosolids & PFAS Management:** Travis Peaslee reported that there has been more activity in the media because of excessive contamination at a farm in Fairfield. He worked with MEWEA to send op-ed articles and has been contacted by the Sun Journal. He will draft a list of LAWPCA's historical data and strategies.

Travis Peaslee reported that Brown and Caldwell presented their second workshop on the solids dryer feasibility study on February 5<sup>th</sup> to the subcommittee. We are anticipating a draft study on March 5<sup>th</sup> and then a final presentation on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

**CSO Update:** Travis Peaslee reported that CDM Smith presented an update on the CSO cost study. Joe Ridge of CDM was asked to present the study to the LAWPCA Board at the March 12<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Financial considerations, including potential grant funds, were discussed.

**Closed Sludge Landfill:** Travis Peaslee reported that the property owners prefer that their current RO system be reactivated (as opposed to purchasing a new GAC system). Travis will work with the property owners and DEP to get an agreement in place and will provide the board with a copy at the March 12<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

**Closed Landfill Ownership:** Travis Peaslee reported that he met with Rob Stalford, Lewiston landfill Superintendent, on January 13<sup>th</sup>. They determined it would make the most sense to bring someone on board who has landfill expertise in terms of potential impacts and liabilities to both entities. Rob mentioned CMA Engineering. Dale stated he will have a discussion with Rob and report back at the March 12<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

**MEPDES Permit:** Travis Peaslee reported that LAWPCA submitted a MEPDES permit renewal application, but the DEP is backlogged at least 6-12 months if not longer. Additionally, there is legislation proposing a reclassification of a stretch of the Androscoggin River to class B that, if passed, will have an impact on dischargers. Travis attended a virtual meeting with some other Androscoggin River wastewater dischargers this week and indicated there will be another meeting.

## **New Business**

**Solar Update:** Travis Peaslee discussed the current cost projections but stated there is an investigation regarding some CMP costs. He will provide an update at the March 12<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

**Executive Session**

Pursuant to Title 1, Chapter 13, subchapter 1 section 405, subsection 6C of Maine State Law, Norm Lamie made a motion to enter Executive session to discuss a property sales agreement. Denis D'Auteuil seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

Denis D'Auteuil made a motion to leave executive session. Steve Ness seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

Pursuant to Title 1, Chapter 13, subchapter 1 section 405, subsection 6A of Maine State Law, Denis D'Auteuil made a motion to enter executive session to discuss a personnel matter, Sid Hazleton seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

Denis D'Auteuil made a motion to leave executive session. Steve Ness seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

**Other Business**

Norm Lamie motioned to extend the Libson Farm lease from March 31, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Denis D'Auteuil seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

**Adjourn**

Norm made a motion to adjourn, Denis D'Auteuil seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

Attest



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Travis B. Peaslee, General Manager