# 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, March 12, 2021 2020 at 7:30 a.m. via zoom.

Directors Present: Norm Lamie

Mark Adams Dan Goyette Dale Doughty Denis D'Auteuil Sid Hazelton

Absent: Steve Ness

General Manager: Travis Peaslee

Assistant General Manager: Paula Drouin

Secretary: Candace Taylor

Treasurer: Ralph lenfestey

Mark Adams called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.

#### **Minutes**

Denis D'Auteuil made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 12, 2020 regular meeting. Sid Hazelton seconded, all approved, and the minutes were placed on file.

## **Consent Agenda**

Denis D'Auteuil made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Norm Lamie seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

## **Financial Reports**

Norm Lamie made a motion to accept the financial reports. Sid Hazelton seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

Board approved Travis arranging an extension with RHR Smith for the next three years to coincide with Auburn Sewer District.

Sid Hazelton made a motion to set second quarter cost apportionment to Lewiston 65% and Auburn 35%. Dan Goyette seconded, all approved and the motion was passed.

**General Manager Report**- Travis will be on vacation next week, March 12-23<sup>rd</sup>. And informed the Board that they had hired Steve Marcotte for the Lab position and starts March 22.

Yesterday we lost a head gasket on #1 Cogen unit. Crew is out there now looking at damage and repairing. Hoping it's limited to just the one.

Travis has a 12:00 zoom meeting with the Senator Clackson on the reclassification of the Androscoggin. DEP talks about substantial changes to discharging requirements.

#### **Old Business:.**

**PFAS** and **Biosolids**- Still somewhat quiet with DEP busy with Fairfield site. Still lots of state and federal legislation being proposed that we need to keep an eye on and stay in communication with regulators and update the Board as needed.

Brown and Caldwell presented their market findings recently and for the most part it was all positive. There is a risk mitigation factor that will have to be given some weight when we sit down and consider the final study evaluation. Brown & Caldwell is planning to have all of this wrapped up in a final report in the next couple weeks. Should be wrapped up for April Board meeting.

CSO-Clean Water Act Master Plan- Joseph Ridge from CDM Smith presented a slide show covering the tank cost allocation methodology. Based on their evaluation, the most appropriate approach is to allocate the costs based on the wet flow increment. At this preliminary planning stage, the tank is assumed to have a two million-gallon capacity and an approximate capital costs of \$25 million. Board members need to update their councils and will bring back to the Board any questions or input at the next Board meeting, then the final report should be ready for the June meeting.

Travis drafted up an RFP for CSO tank sizing, siting, Geotech and evaluation and a preliminary cost. Board was ok with the RFP going out and being open to everyone.

Closed Sludge Landfill- received a proposal from Berry Water Solutions to get the RO system operation for a cost of \$3,767.50. A draft agreement for LAWPCA to own future maintenance of this system was included. The DEP finds this approach and agreement acceptable and will participate in cost sharing for the necessary work.

Norm Lamie made a motion for the General Manager to enter into the point of entry agreement with the residents of 463 river road and to approve the proposed work by Berry Water Solution on the RO system, with some portion being reimbursed by the DEP.

**Auburn Property Sales Agreement-** Final documents are ready for Roger and Ginny to review. Ginny will be back from Florida within a month, so Roger will have plenty of time to review. Joe Gray contacted Travis inquiring about the Libby farm. He seemed very interested in future re-purposing of the Compost Facility and requested to check it out. Travis gave him and 7 or 8 others a tour Travis also got another message from Carl Skilling asking if we ere interested in selling the Jacques property which abuts his. Lots of interest in all of those properties.

<b>Closed Landfill Ownership-</b> Nothin	g new	to report.
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**Solar Update-** The PUC investigation is still underway and its uncertain how long this may take or what the outcome may be. Board agreed to wait it out.

# **New Business**

## NA

Mark Adams will be out for the April Board meeting, Norm Lamie will be filling in.

## Adjourn

Norm Lamie made a motion to adjourn, Dale Doughty seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

Attest:		
T	ravis B Peaslee, General Manager	