# 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 Monday, September 16, 2019 at 7:30 a.m. at the Authority offices at 535 Lincoln St., Lewiston.

Directors Present: Sid Hazelton

Norm Lamie Mark Adams Peter Crichton Denis D'Auteuil Dale Doughty

Absent: Ralph Lenfestey

Pete Preble

Superintendent: Clayton Richardson

Assistant Superintendent: Travis Peaslee

Secretary: Candace Taylor

Mark Adams called the meeting to order at 7:36 a.m.

## Minutes

Sid Hazelton made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 9, 2019 regular meeting. Norm Lamie seconded, all approved, and the minutes were placed on file.

# **Consent Agenda**

Norm Lamie made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Peter Crichton seconded and the motion passed.

## **Financial Reports**

Looks like an unanticipated Solids expense of about \$300,000, at this point for year end. Biggest piece is landfill cost at Juniper Ridge including moving the pile we had stockpiled at Aglahome Farm, 192 yardsmoved to Shute Farm this week, and about 908 yards to be moved to juniper at \$60.00/ton. 1500 yards at Barker pad, existing license allows it to stay for two years, started stacking there in October of 2018. The Juniper Ridge Landfill disposal rate is good until November 16<sup>th</sup>. Need to reach out to them in regard to renewing a contract, locking in a price, and continue with CWS (Norridgewock Landfill) daily as well.

Denis D'Auteuil made a motion to accept the Financial Reports. Norm Lamie seconded and the motion passed.

Peter Crichton made a motion to set  $4^{th}$  Quarter Cost Apportionment to Lewiston 65% Auburn 35%. Denis seconded and the motion passed.

## **Public Questions and Comments**

There were no public questions or comments.

# **Superintendent Report**

CSO Masterplan needs discussion. Travis brought up the biosolids at Aglahoma farm coming to an agreement with Casella on moving the rest of it to Juniper Ridge, about \$65,000 impact on us. We have too much at hand at CF facility for us to move the stock piled material there and time is running thin to move it by end of November.

DEP has set up a situation (PFAS) making long term planning uncertain, and Commissioner stated they see no change within the next year, it's a complete unknown. Composting license (6 month) runs through February 16<sup>th</sup>. We can compost 1 and ½ times our current production.

The Board directed Staff to keep gathering info and making decisions going forward the best we can.

## **Report from Cities/Sewer Districts**

City of Lewiston is looking into raising rates, need to give best budget information as possible to the cities in the next couple of weeks to help explain the need for a rate increase.

## **Old Business**

**ACA Update-** Sid stated the two structures have been ordered and due to be in by this fall. DOT will maintain the deep well drop inlet structures after installation.

Compost Facility Corrective Action Plan and Biofilter Closure- at first we thought the best thing, and most environmentally responsible thing, would be to flush the stone with Androscoggin river water and then breach (cut holes) in the liners. Now due to DEP direction that the nitrate concentration inside the biofilter cells would have to be below the drinking water standard (10 mg/L), we have determined that to be cost and time prohibitive, we are now planning to leave the liners undisturbed, fill the space where the media (wood chips) was and then cap the biofilter with clay.

**Pilot Program-** Operations are going well. At this point no order complaints. Looks to be good potential leaving doors open seems to be working well. Neighbors are notified that facility is back up and operating. Digested sludge seems to be less odorous.

MainePers- Still waiting on figures.

## **New Business**

Industrial Pretreatment Enforcement Plan- Norm Lamie made a motion to approve as presented. Peter Crichton seconded and the motion passed.

**CSO-Clean Water Act Master Plan-** Information was sent out earlier via email to all Board members. At this point looking for feedback from the Board as to how LAWPCA works with ASD and LPW to resolve this matter permanently over the next five year period. We need to respond to the state's CSO coordinator, Mike Riley. Dale will draw up and sit with Sid & Mac. Formal response from LAWPCA, what our concerns are, get technical stuff out of the way. Send letter to Board before Dale sends it out.

## Other Business

None.

A quick update on the current personal here, two employees over at CF. Short here at Treatment plant, getting things done by minimum staffing.

Dale Doughty made a motion to approve the new amendment to the Union Contract, New job classification and new hours. Sid Hazelton seconded and the motion passed.

Norm Lamie made a motion to adjourn. Peter Crichton seconded and all approved.

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