

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION
AUGUST 13, 2020

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, August 13, 2020, at 9:00 AM.

Chairman Gehauf Commissioners Deffenbaugh, George, Young, Hensel, Director of Operations Wendt and Maintenance Supervisor Brodie were present.

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of July 9, 2020 had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Deffenbaugh moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Brodie for his maintenance report. Mr. Brodie stated Commission personnel had been actively jetting problem sewers. He stated that as the ground dried tree roots became a bigger problem.

Mr. Brodie stated that Commission personnel had pulled a pump at the Route 36 pump station. He stated the blockage was caused by sanitary wipes.

Mr. Brodie reported that during the construction on Forest Drive a six-inch saddle had broken and caused an outage. He stated Commission personnel had repaired the leak.

Mr. Brodie then reported on another outage on Forest Drive. He stated that the tank had taken a lightning strike causing the control system to malfunction and not fill the tank.

Mr. Brodie then reported Commission personnel had install new water and sewer taps on Arizona Avenue.

Mr. Brodie then reported on a service line leak at a business on Winchester Road. He stated that as part of the Zone 5A project the business was supposed to receive a new outside meter. Once the meter was installed it was discovered the service line had a substantial leak that was downstream of the meter. The business was given two days to replace the service line. Once the line was replaced the unaccounted-for water in the zone dropped 6000 gallons a day. Discussion followed concerning the service line and the leak issue.

Mr. Brodie reported on a leak in the reservoir at Red Hill. He stated the small reservoir had been valved out and leaked to the bottom in less than 24 hours. Mr. Wendt stated he had contacted two contractors to obtain proposals for the repair. He went on to say that once the proposals were received, he would present them to the Board. He stated the reservoir would remain off-line until the repairs could be completed.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the status of the Forest Drive project. Mr. Wendt stated Forest Drive was complete except for the asphalt restoration. Mr. Wendt stated he would update the total job cost once the restoration was complete and bring it to the next meeting.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for July 2020.

During June 2020, lost water was 59,210 gallons per day.

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Zone 1 Lost	2,572 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	12,398 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	14,925 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	6,045 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	10,541 Gallons per day	Zone 6 Lost	8,430 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost	611 Gallons per day	Zone 8 Lost	358 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt updated the Commission on the loan/grant application with the USDA. He stated he had spoken with Kendra Harmon about the application earlier in the week. He stated she had taken a new position with the USDA and would not be servicing Allegany County. He stated she had hoped to remain long enough to see the loan applications completed by the national office. He went on to say that once a decision was made, he would inform the Commission.

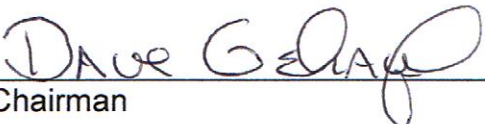
Mr. Wendt stated the Babb Property had been raised. He went on to say the contractor had taken the cost to complete the demolition was \$4,500.00.

Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on a meeting he and Mr. Brodie had with the State Highway Administration about the Locust Grove Project. He stated the meeting had been very productive and all their comments had been addressed and forwarded to the engineer.

Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the status of the Firey Right of Way. He stated he had been to numerous appraisers for the right of way and was unable to find one. Discussion continued concerning the issue. Commissioner Young stated the offer could be extended to \$10,000.00.

Under the heading of New Business, Chairman Gehauf asked about the status of the WODA project. Mr. Wendt reported the Commission had completed its portion of the project except for the installation of the water meter. Discussion followed concerning the new housing development.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:00 AM.


Chairman


Secretary-Treasurer