

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 14, 2019

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at 9:00 AM.

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

Agnes Yount, of LaVale Civic Improvement was also in attendance.

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of October 10, 2019 had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Hensel moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Brodie for a maintenance report.

Mr. Brodie stated Commission personnel were actively jetting sewer lines. He stated the problematic areas had been addressed. Mr. Brodie went on to say that one of the problematic areas on Georges Creek Boulevard had to be repaired. He stated the jetter head had gotten stuck and required a point repair. He stated Commission personnel had replaced a section of the sewer main. Discussion followed concerning the problem.

Mr. Brodie reported on a blocked sewer at 1065 Spruce Street. He stated Commission personnel had cleared the blockage.

Mr. Brodie stated that Commission personnel were working in Zone 2 looking for leaks. He stated the unaccounted water rate was up in the zone.

Mr. Brodie reported that the contractor for the new state police barracks had damaged a service line in Cupler Drive.

Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel had installed an outside meter at 10201 Locust Grove Road.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt stated the Park Avenue water line project was complete except for some restoration work. Mr. Wendt stated the asphalt patching was completed and the concrete sidewalk restoration had begun. Mr. Wendt stated that as of this meeting the cost for the project was approximately \$192,000.00. Mr. Wendt stated the final asphalt restoration would be

completed following the Columbia Gas project. Discussion followed concerning the final restoration.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for October 2019.

During September 2019, lost water was 92,619 gallons per day.

During October 2019, lost water was 74,310 gallons per day.

Zone 1 Lost	2,436 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	40,317 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	6,682 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	2,612 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	20,354 Gallons per day	Zone 6 Lost	8,128 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost	0 Gallons per day	Zone 8 Lost	0 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt opened discussion on the recent meeting with the County concerning the Locust Grove Pumping Station. He stated he Commissioner Young and Mr. Brodie had met with Paul Kahl and Mark Yoder to discuss some issues with the project. Mr. Wendt stated he was having some issues with the costs associated project. He went on to say he would like to have a second opinion on some of the issues with the design of the force main. Commissioner Young stated he felt the second opinion would be appropriate. Mr. Wendt stated he would contact Tom Reilly with EADS and have a proposal submitted.

Mr. Wendt then opened discussion on the pressure reducing valve project on lower Winchester Road. He stated he had received two quotes for the pressure reducing valves and vault, and two proposals for the installation. The proposals are as follows:

Valve and vault	
Core and Main	\$45,275.00
LB Water	\$40,515.59
Installation	
Carl Belt Inc.	\$15,925.00
Excavating Associated	\$17,649.00

Mr. Wendt stated that 50% of the valve and vault cost would be paid by Columbia Gas. Commissioner Hensel moved the lowest bids be accepted for the materials and installation. Commissioner Young seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Mr. Wendt then opened discussion on a recent issue he had concerning residential sprinkler systems. He stated he had been contacted by a modular home builder regarding a property on Macy Drive, on which he was planning on installing a home. Mr. Wendt stated the builder was requesting the same information usually needed for commercial properties. He went on to say there was no way to provide the information or allow the installation of larger meters to serve homes with sprinklers. Discussion followed concerning the problem and the potential to have to set a policy in the future. He stated that, to the best of his knowledge, the homeowner was looking at different options for the property that would not require sprinklers.

Mr. Wendt opened discussion regarding a property on Shortest Day road. He stated the property had always had issues with its well and was requesting connection to the Commissions system. Mr. Wendt stated he had responded in writing to the property owner about his options for connection. The property owner is required to connect to the main across the neighboring property and would need to obtain permission to do so. Extensive discussion followed concerning the issue.


Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with sewer credit requests for two properties. The requests were as follows:

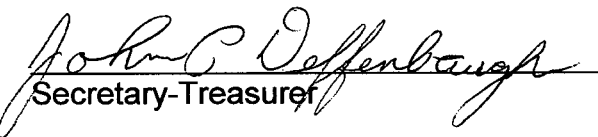
19 Buchanan Avenue	\$163.63
103 West Street	\$408.86

Commission Deffenbaugh moved the credits be extended. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Under the heading of Old Business, Chairman Gehauf requested an update on the Woda Development and the Slumberland Development. Mr. Wendt stated that he and Mr. Brodie had attended a pre-construction meeting for the WODA project. He stated no progress had been made on the site.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:305 AM.


Chairman


Secretary-Treasurer