MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION AUGUST 10, 2023

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, August 10, 2023, at 9:00 AM.

Chairman Gehauf, Commissioners Hensel, George, and Young were in attendance. Director of Operations Wendt and Maintenance Supervisor Emerick were also in attendance. Commissioner McKenzie was absent.

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of July 13, 2023, had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner George moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner Young seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Emerick for his maintenance report.

Mr. Emerick stated Commission personnel had shut down six-inch line on Winchester Road for a leak. The line served a hotel, and a tapping saddle broke away from the line. Mr. Emerick stated the line was repaired by the property owner the following day.

Mr. Emerick stated He had shut down the twelve-inch line in the Narrows for a tie in by Belt Construction.

Mr. Emerick then stated Commission personnel had replaced a section of main on Stanley Drive. He stated a customer had a leak and that during the repair the main had broken. Discussion followed concerning the line and the replacement.

Mr. Emerick stated Commission personnel had repaired a leak on LaVale Court. He stated the leak was on the service line before the property line.

Mr. Emerick stated Commission personnel had repaired a leak on Pine Street. He stated the leak was caused by a nick in the line.

Mr. Emerick then opened discussion on the repairs at the A Street pumping station. He stated the new pump had been installed and started. Once completed the piping on the discharge side of the pump leaked. He stated Commission personnel had replaced all the exterior piping on the station. He went on to explain the pipe was all encased in concrete making the repairs more difficult. He then stated the second old pump in the station broke and started leaking. He stated Commission personnel had removed the pump and replaced two valves inside the pump station. Mr. Wendt then stated the second pump would need to be replaced. Mr. Emerick stated the hydrant outside the pump station had been used to flush the line and had begun to leak. He went on to say Commission personnel had replaced the hydrant.

Mr. Wendt presented the Commission with a quote for the replacement pump. The Quote for the Grundfos Pump was \$20,850.00. Commissioner Young moved the pump be purchased. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Mr. Emerick stated Commission personnel had repaired four problem sewers since the last meeting. The sewers were located on Forest Drive, Campground Road and Mary Avenue. He went on to say he was repairing sewer lines instead of just continuously jetting them.

Mr. Emerick then stated Commission personnel had cleared on sewer blockage on Roger Way.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for July 2023.

During June 2023, lost water was 47,000 gallons per day.

During July 2023, lost water was 60,414 gallons per day.

Zone 1 Lost6,031 Gallons per dayZone 3 Lost14,178 Gallons per dayZone 5 Lost12,015 Gallons per dayZone 6 Lost4,967 Gallons per dayZone 8 Lost4,932 Gallons per day

Zone 2 Lost8,161 Gallons per dayZone 4 Lost6,976 Gallons per dayZone 5A Lost0 Gallons per dayZone 7 Lost3,948 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on the status of the Pump Station portion of the project. He stated the excavation for the building was completed and the wall pour had begun. He stated the walls were being poured and showed pictures of the progress.

Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on the status of the Water Main/Force Main portion of the project. He stated construction of both the water and sewer lines was proceeding but was experiencing issues. He stated that with the loss of the second construction superintendent numerous issues had arisen. Discussion followed about the issues and other problems Mr. Wendt stated the water line had been completed to the tie in sites and was ready to be disinfected and placed in service. He went on to say the force main was being installed on the Locust Grove bridge.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt stated the design work for the Winchester Road Water Project had begun. He stated he and Supervisor Emerick had

met with Jake Bolby of EAD's and reviewed the 30% design drawings. Discussion followed concerning the design.

Mr. Wendt then opened discussion on the status of the Consent Decree/Long Term Control Plan negotiations with MDE. He stated the contract with Aqua Law and the coalition had been expended and there was no agreement with MDE as to what would be required from the coalition. He went on to say the latest correspondence from Aqua Law stated MDE was frustrated with the negotiations and was preparing a new consent decree. Commissioner Young stated he had joined the discussions and attended a meeting with the EAD's Group. He stated they would be preparing a proposal for a new LTCP. Discussion followed concerning the issue.

Mr. Wendt presented the Commission with a sewer credit request for 10111 Stanley Drive. Mr. Wendt stated it was a service line leak and was eligible for \$373.74. Commissioner Young moved the credit be extended. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Gehauf questioned the status of LaVale Chicken LLC. Mr. Wendt stated he has signed off on the proposed plans and returned them to the owner. He went on to say he had no further information on the project.

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