

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION  
MAY 9, 2019**

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

Chairman Gehauf, Commissioners Deffenbaugh, Young, Hensel, George, 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 May 11, 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 then reported that Commission personnel were working on the sewer jetting. He stated that during the jetting they had discovered an issue with a sewer line at the Country Club Mall entrance. He stated the line outside the manhole had settled and broken. Commission personnel repaired the line.

Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel had cleared a blockage at C Street.

Mr. Brodie stated Commission personnel had installed a lamp hole on the sewer line on Greenpoint Road. He stated the line was a constant problem, the lamp hole allows Commission personnel access to the problem area.

Mr. Brodie reported that Commission personnel had repaired an eight inch water main break on Cash Valley Road. He stated that he had brought a piece of the pipe to the meeting to show the condition of the pipe. He stated the break had resulted in the closure of the elementary school.

Mr. Brodie then reported Commission personnel had repaired a leak on Blue Jay Drive. He stated it was on an eight inch line. Mr. Brodie reported that both mains were installed at about the same time and were ductile iron.

Mr. Brodie reported on a water leak on C Street. He stated the leak was on the piece of line that was scheduled to be replaced as part of the Emergency Gas line Job.

He went on to say the contractor for the job had been notified the line would need to be replaced before the end of May.

Mr. Brodie reported Commission personnel had installed a new outside meter at 20 Parkside Boulevard. He reported the homeowner had replaced the service line.

Under the heading of Active Construction Projects, Mr. Wendt stated the Emergency Water and Gas line project had been completed except for a portion of the water line in phase two. Mr. Wendt then reported that Shaffer Construction had completed the Helen Street project.

Mr. Wendt reported the Park Avenue water line project was scheduled to start June 1, 2019.

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

During March 2019, lost water was 124,435 gallons per day.

During April 2019, lost water was 120,149 gallons per day.

Zone 1 Lost	6,895 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	30,444 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	10,045 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	13,794 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	20,673 Gallons per day	Zone 6 Lost	28,254 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost	0 Gallons per day	Zone 8 Lost	10,069 Gallons per day

Discussion continued concerning the reports.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt presented the Commission with a tap request for a residence on Cash Valley Road. He stated the homeowners had purchased a tap in 1996 and never connected. He went on to say that with the Commission's five year abandonment rule the taps were considered abandoned. Discussion followed concerning the taps. Commissioner Young moved that the taps were considered abandoned but the homeowners would be credited the amount paid. He went on to say that if the residents wanted to connect to the Commission's system they would be required to pay the difference in tap fees, \$1,100.00. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried. Mr. Wendt stated he would modify all permit applications to show an expiration date.


Mr. Wendt stated Helen Street restoration had begun. He stated the damage to the street was worse than anticipated. Mr. Wendt stated the Commission's portion of the restoration worked out to be fifty percent with the remainder going to Columbia Gas.

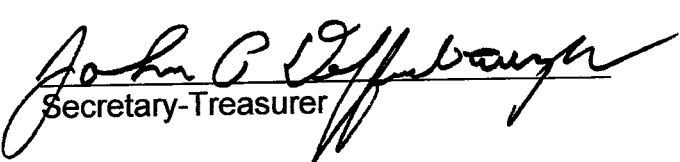
Mr. Wendt presented the Commission with the engagement letter for the upcoming audit with Turnbull Hoover and Kahl. The amount of the audit was estimated to be \$42,500.00. Commissioner Young moved the contract be approved. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Under the heading of Old Business, Commissioner Deffenbaugh opened discussion about the purchase of a Vactor Truck. Chairman Gehauf tabled the issue.

Under the heading of New Business, Commissioner Deffenbaugh questioned the uniform contract. Chairman Gehauf opened discussion about the term of the contract and its renewal. It was decided that nothing would be done until the end of the contract.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Deffenbaugh seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:30 AM.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary-Treasurer