

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 9:00 AM.

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

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of August 12, 2021, had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Young moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Brodie for his maintenance report.

Mr. Brodie reported on sewer issues addressed by Commission personnel over the last month. Mr. Brodie stated that a pressure sewer line on Oak Terrace had broken and been repaired by Commission personnel.

Mr. Brodie reported on a water line being damaged by NPL. He stated that the line was located at 613 4TH Street. He stated that he had installed an outside meter on all the damaged service line.

Mr. Brodie then reported on a leak at 520 A Street. He stated Commission personnel had been looking for the source of water entering a nearby basement when the leak was located. He went on to say Commission personnel had installed an outside meter on the line which had fixed the leak for the time being.

Mr. Brodie then reported on two leaks on the Labor Day weekend. He stated that Commission personnel had repaired leaks on Autumn Drive and Woodridge Lane. Mr. Wendt stated that the leaks were both in the 70,000-gallon range. Discussion followed concerning the leaks.

Mr. Brodie then reported on a car accident that had damaged a hydrant on Campground Road. Mr. Brodie provided a copy of the police report, Mr. Wendt stated he would file a claim with the insurance company for a replacement hydrant.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for August 2021.

During July 2021, lost water was 52,474 gallons per day.

During August 2021, lost water was 42,526 gallons per day.

Zone 1 Lost	0 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	15,310 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	2,006 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	14,632 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	7,015 Gallons per day	Zone 5A Lost	1,238 Gallons per day
Zone 6 Lost	7,946 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 briefed the Commission on the issues following Tropical Storm Ida. He stated that sewer flow from outside LaVale was terminated at 3:00 AM on 09/01/2001. He went on to say that even with the termination of flow from outside jurisdictions, there was substantial flooding and numerous manholes within the collection system were surcharged and overflowing. He stated the Commission recorded 5.5 inches of rain in the 24-hour period.

Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on damage to the interceptor caused by the storm. He stated that the interceptor above West Street had been exposed by the flood water and would need immediate repairs to protect the pipe. He then briefed the Commission on damage at the end of Roselawn Avenue where debris had accumulated and caused the flood waters to divert over the interceptor removing most of the cover from the interceptor. Mr. Wendt stated that he, Mr. Brodie, and Allegany County Director of Public Works Adam Patterson had toured the site and assessed the damage. Mr. Wendt stated that the first course of action would be to remove the debris from the areas in need of repair so accurate assessments of how the pipe would be protected could be made. He asked that the Commissioners release funding so the repairs could be started. Extensive discussion followed concerning the issues. Mr. Wendt stated that a tour of the damaged areas may help the Commissioners with the decision on funding. Commissioner Young asked that the tour be conducted immediately following the Commission meeting.

Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Wendt asked Mr. Brodie for his report on the water and sewer line replacement on Orchard Street. Mr. Brodie stated the project was substantially complete. He stated he had shut the project down because of Tropical Storm Ida and the removal of the old main line connections had not been completed. He stated he would contact Excavating Associates and schedule the final portion of the

project. He went on to say the residences on Orchard Street were connected to the new mains and few problems were encountered.

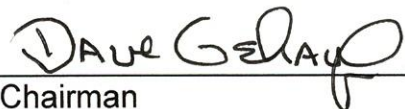
Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on problems encountered with the new Dunkin Doughnuts in LaVale Plaza. He stated the business wanted a larger tap to increase the pressure in the store. Mr. Brodie stated he had met with contractors on site on six occasions and attempted to explain the larger tap would not increase the pressure. Discussion followed concerning the issues. Mr. Wendt stated that if the business wanted a larger tap. A tap fee had to be paid and all work would be performed by the contractors. Discussion followed concerning the business.

Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on the first progress meeting with Garney Construction. He stated Garney was responsible for the gravity sewer and tunnel. He stated the meeting went well and the main concern was still the requested Hobas Pipe substitution. Discussion followed concerning the meeting.

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

Chairman Gehauf reconvened the meeting following the tour of the areas damaged by Tropical Storm Ida. Commissioners Young and George were also in attendance. Mr. Wendt stated the initial repairs needed to address the accumulated debris so estimates could be calculated for the ultimate repairs. Commissioner Young stated that costs associated with any repairs to protect the interceptor would be shared by the County and Frostburg per existing agreements. Commissioner Young moved that funding for repairs be approved to address the areas at West Street and Roselawn Avenue. Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be Closed Commissioner George seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 11:35 AM.


Chairman


Secretary-Treasurer