

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION
APRIL 11, 2024

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 9:00 AM.

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

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of March 14, 2024, had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Hensel moved that the minutes be approved. Commissioner McKenzie seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Chairman Gehauf asked Mr. Emerick for his maintenance report.

Mr. Emerick stated Commission personnel had installed five outside meters since the last meeting. Discussion followed on the locations and reason for the meter relocation.

Mr. Emerick stated Commission personnel had replaced forty-five feet of problem sewer on N. Second Street. He stated the sewer was problematic and needed constant cleaning. He went on to say that Commission personnel would replace the sidewalks removed during the repair.

Mr. Emerick stated that Commission personnel had replaced seven feet of four-inch sewer on National Highway.

Mr. Emerick stated that Commission personnel had jetted the main on Winchester Road. He went on to say the recent heavy rains had stopped the routine jetting.

Mr. Emerick stated that Commission personnel had pulled numerous pumps with the recent high flows. Discussion followed concerning the issues and possible solutions.

Mr. Emerick reported Commission personnel had replaced twelve feet of six-inch sewer on Locust Street. He stated he was working on the problem sewers.

Mr. Emerick then opened a discussion on a leak in Zone 5A. He stated the leak had started on Wednesday night and he had attempted to find it until Friday afternoon with no luck. He stated a property owner had called on the following Sunday and reported the leak which Commission personnel then repaired. He stated it was an old,

galvanized line that fed a property on Winchester Road that had burned in the early eighties.

Mr. Emerick then reported on an issue at the treatment plant. He stated the plant had taken a lightening strike that damaged the PLC which runs the plant. He went on to say the plant has to be run by hand until the PLC can be replaced. Discussion continued concerning the issue. Mr. Emerick stated the part was due in by the end of the week.

During February 2024, lost water was 46,072 gallons per day.

During March 2024, lost water was 52,399 gallons per day.

Zone 1 Lost	3,742 Gallons per day	Zone 2 Lost	11,681 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost	4,867 Gallons per day	Zone 4 Lost	6,184 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost	7,902 Gallons per day	Zone 5A Lost	0 Gallons per day
Zone 6 Lost	14,020 Gallons per day	Zone 7 Lost	770 Gallons per day
Zone 8 Lost	4,571 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 roof sheeting, pumps and piping, control panels, stairs ventilation and numerous other mechanical items had been installed since the last meeting. Mr. Wendt opened a discussion on some issues with the pump station.

Mr. Wendt then briefed the Commission on the status of the Water Main/Force Main portion of the project. He stated he and Commissioner Young had walked the project and except for a few minor issues, were happy with the project. Discussion continued on the next portion of the project including the interconnects and the proposed change to the overflow outfall.

Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt stated the design work for the Winchester Road Water Project was complete. He stated the project had been advertised and a pre-bid meeting was scheduled for April 18, 2024. He stated the Commissioners were encouraged to attend if available. He stated the bid opening was scheduled for May 2, 2024.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with a Sewer Credit Request for 416 Georges Creek Boulevard. E stated the homeowner had a leak that did not enter the sewer and the credit amount was \$73.11. Commissioner George moved the Credit be approved. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with a quote for a replacement cutter stack for the muffin monster. The quote was for \$34, 740.00. He stated with the delay in

the new pumping station and the proposed 600-day extension of contract time, the grinder would need to be repaired. Discussion followed concerning the options for the grinder. Commissioner George moved the cutter stack be purchased. Commissioner Young seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Wendt stated he had met with the developer for the new Longhorn Restaurant. He stated the meeting was positive and based on his experience with the developer, Penn Tex Ventures, he expected the project to move quickly.

Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on issues with the Country Club Mall and the proposed Rural King. He stated he had contacted the County and stressed the need for separation of services to the new establishment.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:25 AM.

Chairman


Secretary-Treasurer