

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LAVALE SANITARY COMMISSION
AUGUST 14, 2025

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of the LaVale Sanitary Commission was held at the Commission's office in LaVale, Maryland on Thursday, August 14, 2025, at 9:00 AM.

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

Brad Metzger and Wayne Foster of LaVale Civic Improvement were also in attendance.

Chairman Gehauf called the meeting to order and stated the minutes of the meeting of July 10, 2025, had been mailed to the Commissioners. Commissioner Hensel 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 installed 23 outside meters, in Zone 2, since the last meeting. He stated this number did not include meters installed as part of the Winchester Road project.

Mr. Emerick stated Commission personnel had replaced 70 feet of failed sewer main on Woolworth Ave. He stated the line had been problematic with frequent root blockages.

Mr. Emerick then briefed the Commission on the recent sewer maintenance. He stated Commission personnel had cleaned and jetted 3550 feet of main since the last meeting.

Chairman Gehauf welcomed Mr. Foster and Mr. Metzger to the meeting and opened discussion. Mr. Metzger stated they attended at the request of Civic Improvement members to collect general information about the Commission. Discussion followed about issues with fire hydrants and recent rate increases.

Mr. Wendt then presented the Commission with copies of the Water, Sewer, and Revenue reports for June 2025.

During June 2025, lost water was 66,285 gallons per day.

During July 2025, lost water was 46,002 gallons per day.

Zone 1 Lost 5,025 Gallons per day
Zone 3 Lost 1,742 Gallons per day
Zone 5 Lost 7,358 Gallons per day
Zone 6 Lost 11,379 Gallons per day
Zone 8 Lost 6,401 Gallons per day

Zone 2 Lost 2,548 Gallons per day
Zone 4 Lost 11,212 Gallons per day
Zone 5A Lost 0 Gallons per day
Zone 7 Lost 2,623 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 gravity sewer/ portion of the project. He stated the project was proceeding but not as expected. He reported additional problems and issues with the design. He stated there were several change orders pending for the project. He stated the change orders pertained to the operation strategy and programming of the station controls. Discussion followed concerning the project.

Mr. Wendt opened a discussion on the Winchester Road Water project.

As of 07/24/2025

7,296 feet of main line installed. 40% of work completed.
\$1,334,193.09 in pay requests. 32% of the money expended.

Mr. Wendt stated the job had its normal issues, mostly traffic and access issues. He went on to say there would be night work ongoing until approximately 08/29/2025. Discussion continued concerning the project.

Mr. Wendt briefed the Commission on the status of the SCADA system upgrade. He stated Valley Automation had built the servers for Red Hill and would install them the week of 08/25/2025.

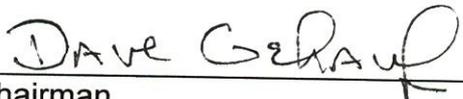
Under the heading of Communications, Mr. Wendt reported that the audit was proceeding as expected.

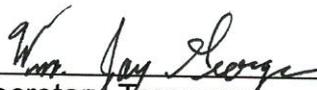
Under the heading of Old Business, Mr. Gehauf opened discussion on the administration of the retirement account. He asked if the board had looked at the proposal from Stifel Inc. about the account management. Commissioner George moved the account be moved from LPL Financial to Stifel Inc. Commissioner Hensel seconded and it was unanimously carried.

Under the heading of New Business, Mr. Wendt opened discussion about issues with the Manhole in Mechanic Street where the Commissions force main ties into the City collection system. Mr. Wendt stated the manhole had failed and was creating a sink hole in Mechanic Street. Discussion followed concerning the repairs and the need to shut down the pump stations to facilitate the repair. Mr. Wendt stated he would handle shut down.

Mr. Wendt presented the Commission with a proposal from Tri State Roofing for repairs to the roof at the LaVale Pump station. The proposal was for \$30,900.00. Discussion followed concerning the repairs. Mr. Wendt was asked to obtain additional proposals for multiple types of roof replacements.

Chairman Gehauf moved the public meeting be closed. Commissioner Young seconded and it was unanimously carried. The public meeting was closed at 10:00 AM.


Chairman


Secretary-Treasurer