

October 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The October Board Meeting was called to order at 6:58 PM by Chairman Leep.

Roll Call: Township officials present: Glenn Leep of Martin, Tom Rook of Orangeville, Alice Jansma of Yankee Springs, and Roger VanVolkinburg of Wayland. Employees present: Director Larry Knowles and Office Manager Tara Palandri. Also, in attendance were homeowners from Trails End and Tony Buschini of 2380 Patterson.

Review Minutes: Mr. VanVolkinburg motioned to accept the September meeting minutes, Mr. Rook supported, the motion passed 4-0.

Hear Those Present: None.

New Business:

- No sewer permits were issued in September.
- The homeowners from Trails End updated the Board on the status of the July 2019 sewer backup. They asked for some form of compensation to help recoup their costs incurred from the backup and wanted to know what precautions have been implemented to ensure the SCADA system works correctly moving forward. Mr. Knowles explained the multiple measures that have been put into place since July
- Mr. Buschini requested a payment plan for a connection fee at 2380 Patterson Rd (0315-500-026-00). The Board explained that they cannot agree to a payment plan because the ordinance does not allow them.

Director's Report:

- Laboratory Technician
 - Monthly Report was reviewed.
- YST Water
 - The MOR and reports were sent to the DEQ.
 - The September Water Report was reviewed.
- Miss Dig
 - GLASA performed 88 Miss Digs in September.
- Water Laboratory
 - The water lab processed 106 samples in September.
- New Employees
 - Kevin DeKoekkoek started on September 16
 - Dan Schuitman started September 30
- Lift Station # 25
 - GLASA is waiting for DK Fence to make the repairs to the fence.
- Rotary Press
 - EGLE (DEQ) is going to require additional tests to GLASA's monitoring wells.
 - The Operator, Dave Underwood, started an investigation for different ways to remove the sludge
 - GLASA is looking at implementing a Rotary Press.

- Grant
 - GLASA is looking to use grant money to camera some sewer mains as part of the Wastewater Asset Management Plan.
- Project
 - B&R Excavating started to rework the drive west of the new headworks building.
 - GLASA is still negotiating the final credit from Docsa.
- Office Hours
 - New office hours of 10:00AM – 2:00PM start November 1st.

Open Business:

- The proposed changes to the Articles of Incorporation will be voted on at the November Township meetings for Yankee Springs, Orangeville, and Wayland. Martin approved the document at the September meeting.
- The Board discussed the request from the homeowners at Trails End. After some discussion, Mr. VanVolkinburg made a motion to provide \$3,500 in compensation to the homeowners of 4324 Trails End without accepting responsibility, pending receipt of paperwork documenting expenses incurred directly related to the July 2019 sewer backup. Ms. Jansma supported the motion and it passed 4-0.

Financial Statements:

- September payroll totaled \$24,529.36 and operation expenses (checks #14977-14995) totaled \$183,464.10. Total September expenses came to \$207,993.46. A motion to pay the September bills was made by Mr. Rook and supported by Mr. VanVolkinburg, the motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment: Mr. VanVolkinburg motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:16PM, Ms. Jansma supported, the motion passed 4-0.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2019 at 7:00PM