

WINFIELD SANITARY BOARD

MINUTES

APRIL 5, 2012

On Thursday, April 5, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. the regular monthly meeting of the Winfield Sanitary Board was called to order by Chairman Randy L. Barrett, at Winfield Town Hall, One Main Street, Winfield, West Virginia.

ATTENDANCE

Those attending: Randy L. Barrett, Chairman, and Kevin Karnes and Rod Burns, members.

Others present: Gloria Chapman, Secretary, Bill Harper, Plant Manager and Jackie Hunter, City Recorder; Jesse Parker of S & S Engineers and City Attorney Tim LaFon.

PUBLIC None.

MINUTES The minutes of the March 1, 2012 meeting were approved on a motion made by Rod Burns and seconded by Kevin Karnes. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

Bills paid – The bills paid for March 2012 in the amount of \$ 46,850.67 were approved on a motion made by Kevin Karnes and seconded by Rod Burns. Motion carried.

Financial Statement – Income/Expenses. The financial statement for March 2012 was approved on a motion made by Rod Burns and seconded by Kevin Karnes. Motion carried.

Billing Adjustments – The billing adjustments for March 2012 in the amount of \$ 74.80 were approved on a motion made by Rod Burns and seconded by Kevin Karnes. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Chairman – comments/reports. Mayor Barrett stated that testing of ammonia levels at the plant continued in March, and the readings were still high.

Staff Reports. Jesse Parker reported that the NPDES Permit for our Wastewater Plant will expire on June 30th this year. He stated that the permit must be filed online now, and he will bring the paper copy to us and we can then submit it online next week.

OLD BUSINESS

Discuss next sanitary sewer project. Mayor Barrett stated that until we have a solution to our ammonia limit problems, this item will be tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

Rich Weigand's report regarding ammonia levels. Mr. Weigand of West Virginia Environmental Training Center came to the plant two weeks ago to give his suggestions on the ammonia limit problems. He did a walk-through of the plant and questioned Bill Harper regarding procedures and found no problems with what he has been doing. He did suggest taking samples at the T-Skimmer instead of at the contact tank where Bill had been taking the samples. Mr. Weigand also suggested purchasing a pump and pumping from the second lagoon closest to the chlorine chamber into the first lagoon. He recommended pumping about 20% of the second lagoon into the first lagoon. Bill ordered the pump and it arrived last Thursday and the Mayor told them to work over and get it installed as Mr. Weigand recommended. Mr. Weigand's second suggestion was to do core samples of the second lagoon. Bill Harper took core samples from the second lagoon and found there is 2 ½ feet of sludge already in the lagoon. He called Mr. Sanghavi of S & S Engineers and told him his findings, and he stated that he wanted to come out next week and do the core samples with him. Mr. Sanghavi stated that to get a more accurate reading, you need to take the sample and wait a half hour before reading it.

Correction to minutes of February 2, 2012 – under Staff Reports, correct spelling of Mr. Weigand's name. Motion was made by Rod Burns to correct the spelling of Mr. Weigand's name on the minutes of February 2. Kevin Karnes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Harry Teare complaint to the Public Service Commission. Mayor Barrett reported that Harry Teare of 31 Riverview Drive had sewer backup into his basement on March 2nd during a power outage from a storm. Bill Harper arrived on site about 3 hours after he received the call on March 2nd and began his investigation. Bill inspected Mr. Teare's service line, and discovered water infiltrating the line. Harry Teare said that there was no water running in the house. Bill reported that we had lost three-phase power at the Woodbend Cove lift station, and he was going to hook up the generator, but before he finished at Mr. Teare's home, the power came back on.

Then on March 5th, Mayor Barrett, Bill Harper, John Hodges and Jason Blankenship performed dye tests in both bathrooms and performed a camera inspection of the service line. The dye test revealed that both bathrooms were tied into the service line, and the camera inspection showed surface water infiltrating Mr. Teare's service line

Harry Teare complaint to the Public Service Commission (Cont'd.).

approximately one foot from his foundation. Bill said his service line is clay pipe and that is why there is so much infiltration. Mayor Barrett state the he spoke with the Public Service Commission, and they said the City had done everything correctly regarding this complaint.

GOOD OF THE ORDER. Mayor Barrett informed the members that he had appointed a special committee to explore building a new municipal building.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn by Kevin Karnes at 8:22 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting on May 8, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Randy L. Barrett, Chairman

Gloria Chapman, Secretary