

MINUTES

WINFIELD SANITARY BOARD REGULAR MEETING September 7, 2023 5:00 p.m.

On Tuesday, September 7, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. the meeting of the Winfield Sanitary Board was called to order by Mayor Randy Barrett, at Winfield City Hall, 12248 Winfield Road, Winfield, West Virginia.

ATTENDANCE

Those attending: Rod Burns, member; Clarence Litton, member; Randy Barrett, Mayor; Nikki Phillips, City Clerk/Secretary

Others present: Tim Lafon, City Lawyer; Jack Ramsey, Engineer

PUBLIC:

MINUTES

Hearing no comments, the minutes of August 15, 2023, special meeting were approved as presented.

FINANCIAL

Bill Approval. The bills paid for the month of August in the amount of \$96,639.47; hearing no comments the bills pass as presented.

Income/Expense. The financial statement for the month of August; hearing no comments, the financial statement passes as presented.

Adjustments. The adjustments for the month of August in the amount of \$840.95; hearing no questions the adjustments pass as presented.

REPORTS

Chairman report.

Mayor Barrett reported that the city workers have been working on a sewer service line under the street in Woodland. The homeowner has had a plumber come out twice and the issue was found to be $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way across the street. As done in the past, the city will reimburse the homeowner once the plumber bills have been presented at city hall.

Chairman report (cont.)

Sludge is doing good. We received a reimbursement from the insurance company on the air conditioner that was damaged during the lightning strike, and they have approved reimbursement for the bill to replace the transformer. The new building is finished except for the concrete. The motor on the pump for the press in the UV building went bad and an extra one has been ordered to keep on the shelves as a backup. The pump station at 33 Riverview went down and Billy Harper discovered that a sump pump for storm drainage previously discovered and ordered to be removed by the PSC was still connected. Tim Lafon is working on a letter to send the homeowner.

Staff report.

Jack Ramsey reported that he has finished the evaluation on the Riding Rink Station and the potential to add new developments. His handout explained the pumping capacity on a dry day, the cycle times, max capacity for the station and the potential wear and tear on the pump prematurely. Jack stated that the biggest problem with this station is that the depth of the well at only 4'. Depending on how many new houses will be added per development will determine whether nothing should be done, proceed with a bigger pump or redo the entire station.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Infrastructure Projects utilizing the American Rescue Plan relief funds. Four bills have been presented for payment. Rod Burns made a motion that all four bills be paid from ARPA funds and should go to council for approval.

Possibilities of spending Contingency Fund. The contingency balance is \$6,195.65, and the USDA has requested that the project be completed before September 15, 2023. Parsons Contracting is going to pour the concrete for the new building. A final pay app will be submitted to the USDA for \$6,195.65 and the city will have to pay the additional \$4,304.35.

Lightning Strike Solution Plan. See discussion in chairman report.

Chapman Engineering Lawsuit. Tim Lafon reported the city lost the 1% interest loan through the DEP because Chapman Engineering did not get the plans submitted before the city changed classes due to a new census. Chapman was asked about submitting before the results were published but stated it would not affect financing. In fact, it cost \$700,000 (“present value”) more in interest over an additional 10 years plus \$210,000 in additional engineering paid to Thrasher. There will be a hearing next Friday to determine if the missing of the deadline and the loss of the 1% interest rate was a direct damage flowing from this contract or a consequential damage.

NEW BUSINESS

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Next Sanitary Board Meeting will be October 5th.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Clarence Litton to adjourn at 5:50 p.m.

Randy L. Barrett, Chairman

Nikki Phillips, Secretary