

Poughkeepsies' Joint Water Board

June 2, 2020

Minutes

ATTENDANCE

Board Members

Bill Carlos
Marc Nelson
Rich Dupilka
Jay Baisley

Others

Randy Alstadt, Water Plant Administrator
Jim Horan, Wallace & Wallace
Tom Colgan, Town Water
Keith Ballard, Town Water
Mark McLean, Central Hudson
John Maserjian, Central Hudson
Lee Felshin, Dutchess County DOH
Brian Martinez, City Commissioner of Finance
Doreen Tignanelli, Town Customer
Charlie Emberger, Town Comptroller.

Meeting was conducted online utilizing Zoom.

1. Approval of May 5, 2020 minutes

Minutes were approved 4-0.

2. Public Participation

Doreen Tignanelli asked if BOCES will pay for legal expenses. Doreen questioned why Engineering cost in budget are above budgeted. Randy explained that the increase was from 2019 Purchase Orders carried into 2020. Doreen questioned if Audit was to be discussed information should have been provided to public.

3. Plant Status Report

Randy Alstadt advised that plant is operating well.

Randy stated that plant had problems with UPS that powers UV which will be replaced next year. Randy stated that the manufactures representative was called in and determined it to be a problem with the power supply. The power supply was replaced and units have worked normally since. Disinfection byproduct results for 2nd quarter were great. Randy stated that Pam Reeves of GlobalFoundries contacted him to question reason water quality has so improved. Pam advised that they have been able to increase their taking. Randy said that is good news and encouraged her to take more.

4. Update on 2020 Operating Budget

Randy Alstadt advised the Board that we are currently less than projected, however, % of year and 24% of budget expended. Randy advised that computer budget is \$8,700 over budget which will require a transfer. Randy pointed out that budget line 8310 7424 will not be spent and vehicles to be leased (8310-7435) have not been received. Randy stated that overall we will below budget. Currently 32% expended.

5. UV Replacement Project – Update

Randy Alstadt stated that we are close to going out to bid soon. Expect to get bid in July 1st. After UV Units are determine Tighe&Bond will complete design and bid contract for installation.

6. Status for Water Service to 5 Cobey Terrace

Jim Horan stated that he will forward agreement to tenant. Tenant will have to coordinate installation with Town Water Department.

7. Water Sale to BOCES

Bill Carlos thanked Jim Horan provided commitment letter from Board to BOCES which was sent out today. Jim Horan stated that we will request BOCES pay legal fees. Bill Carlos stated that he did not remember taking to BOCES about Attorney fees. Randy Alstadt stated that Legal fees were not charged in the past

8. Collective Bargaining Successor Agreement

Marc Nelson questioned why item was on the agenda as it was approved by Board at last meeting. Randy Alstadt stated that he included it this item to advise that both City and Town approved contract.

9. 2018 Audit- Bonadio

Marc Nelson stated that audit was recently submitted. Brian Martinez advised that report will be submitted to Board for next meeting and that Bonadio will be represented at the July meeting. Bill Carlos questioned if Board would be provided prior to next meeting. Brian advised that it was provided to Town Comptroller this afternoon.

Jay Baisley expressed concern that Town was not contacted to provide input throughout the conducting of the audit. Jay stated it is wrong that Town was not given opportunity to provide input. Jay further stated that Audit should have been completed in February. Brian responded that going forward he will insure that Charlie Emberger will be included in the 2019 audit. Bill stated that he was clear with Bonadio that Town needs to be included in audit and the auditor's audit was not acceptable. Brian stated that going forward Town will be included. Bill stated he wants to end relationship with Bonadio.

Brian stated that audit is in draft form and would be pleased to receive comments. Jay stated that Town must be included throughout the audit. Bill Carlos stated that he wants to send out an RFP for the 2020 audit and wants draft RFP prior to July Board Meeting.

10.2019 Reconciliation

Brian stated that reconciliation has been updated for clarity and transparency. Bill Carlos

11. Old Business

Mark McLean stated that Central Hudson is conducting borings in river which is low impact. The first insert a casing from surface to river bed. Soil samples are collected at various depths.

12. New Business

Marc Nelson stated he did not have the opportunity to thoroughly review audit. Marc pointed out that one issue is the need to update the IMA Marc asked chair to add to discussion on IMA to July agenda.

Tom Colgan apologized he was late to enter meeting. Tom requested what was status of Cobey Terrace tenant agreement. Jim Horan stated letter to customer which will provide contact information to Town. Jim then requested what contact information should be.

Next Meeting: July 7, 2020 4:30PM. By ZOOM.