

VILLAGE OF EPHRAIM

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Wastewater Committee Minutes Monday January 8, 2018 9:00 A.M. 10005 Norway - Administrative Office

Present: Karen McMurtry- Chair, Joan Fitzpatrick, Mike McCutcheon, Bruce Nelson, Jim Peterman
Staff: Russ Salfi- Treatment Plant Manager, Susan Shallow- Deputy Clerk
Guests: Ken Nelson

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Chair McMurtry.
2. Changes in Agenda: None
3. Previous minutes – Minutes from December 4, 2017

Motion per Nelson to approve the December 4, 2017 meeting minutes as presented, seconded by McCutcheon, all ayes, motion carried.

4. Visitors comments: None
5. **Plant Manager's Report:** Salfi is here to present his report. North Shore Road SOP letters sent out to residents of North Shore Road, a copy of which was included in Committee Packets. November eDMR completed and sent. Manhole #25 repaired. There were 50 water tests in December and 5 holding tank pumpouts. On Jan 8 Lab Certification will be mailed to the Plant. On Jan 16, a representative from the DNR will be doing a lab audit.

Motion per McMurtry to accept the Plant Manager's report as presented, seconded by McCutcheon, all ayes and motion carried.

6. **Discussion or recommendation regarding North Shore Rd. Freeze Mitigation SOP**
Implementation and the 12/08/2017 William Hoag letter. The start date for the SOP was January 3rd. The Telemetry did go off due to low temperatures and the team began the required procedures. Salfi read the letter from Mr. Hoag. Mr. Salfi disagrees with some of the assumption by Mr. Hoag. There was no Board decision to do anything other than the current SOP. Peterman is looking for a long term solution. Salfi believes that the current procedure is the most efficient and cost effective, we continue to do this on a Monday, Wednesday, Friday procedure until the end of March. McMurtry believes lack of access on the road has been a significant stall to any further improvements. McCutcheon stated that permanently solving this problem is a concern, and he will take this back to the CPC Committee who determined that the road did not meet the Village standard of 12 ft. wide for their further consideration. Salfi stated that damage to the bluff was also a concern as well as concerns by the DNR with the drilling of a well. McCutcheon explained some of the restrictions and problems with that part of the road being private as opposed to a Village Road. Nelson stated that there were four or five other options on the proposal from our Engineering Firm. Fitzpatrick suggested that McCutcheon talk

to Mr. Hoag regarding a solution. Bristol mentioned that only about 5 trees would be need to be removed the rest is just brush. McCutcheon will go back to the CPC Committee and talk to Mr. Hoag.

7. **Discussion or recommendation regarding repair of VOE Manhole #25:** Salfi reported that Great Lakes TV Seal has completed the repair on this manhole. They averaged that 17,000 gallons were leaking there daily. They used 61.64 gallons of sealant to correct this leak. There is deterioration of the bottom of the manhole from hydrogen sulfide.
8. **Discussion or recommendation regarding handing over the repair and adjustment of VOE Manholes along Water Street / HWY 42 to Ken Nelson and the Streetscape Ad Hoc Committee:** Salfi has meet with Ken Nelson the Chair of the Streetscape AD HOC Committee. Ken Nelson spoke concerning the goal of the AD HOC Committee in relation to the Streetscape project. The Stormwater repairs will be done prior to the Resurfacing of Highway 42. We are awaiting proposals from Engineering Firms for this project. The manhole repairs will need to be done in the fall. Salfi is grateful that the AD HOC Committee took this on. To have one firm in charge of all of that is a good idea stated B. Nelson.
9. **Discussion or recommendation regarding the rebuild of the Plant Receiving Station Bar Screen and the quote from Sabel Mechanical LLC for \$6713:** Salfi introduced this item, a visual picture of the bar screen was displayed for the Committee and Salfi explained how this works, if allowed to fail replacement could cost \$20,000. If we do a rebuild now repairs would be \$6,713.00. Current part is over 30 years old and needs replacement.

Motion per McMurtry to approve and recommend the quote from Sabel Mechanical LLC to rebuild the Plant Receiving Station Bar Screen for a cost not to exceed \$6,800.00, seconded by McCutcheon, all ayes, and motion carried.

10. **Discussion or recommendation regarding review or amendment of VOE Municipal Utilities Ordinance Chapter 13 Section 13.01:** Salfi provided a copy of 13.1, each section will be addressed monthly. 13.1 (1) Intent replace Wastewater Committee with the Board, with recommendation from the Wastewater Committee.
11. Visitors' comments: None
12. New business for next meeting: On going review of Utilities Chapter 13, Freeze Mitigation on North Shore Road. February 5, 2018
13. Adjournment

Motion per McMurtry to adjourn this meeting of the Ephraim Wastewater Committee, seconded by, McCutcheon all ayes, motion carried.

Recorded by,
Susan Shallow- Deputy Clerk