

# VILLAGE OF EPHRAIM

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## Wastewater Committee

**Monday April 30th, 2018 9:00 A.M.**

**10005 Norway - Administrative Office**

Present: Karen McMurtry- Chair, Bruce Nelson, Jim Peterman

Absent: Joan Fitzpatrick, Mike McCutcheon

Staff: Russ Salfi- Plant Manager, Susan Shallow- Deputy Clerk

Guests:

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Chair McMurtry at 9:00 am, a quorum is present for this meeting.
2. Changes in Agenda: None
3. Previous minutes – Minutes from April 2, 2018

**Motion per Nelson to approve the April 2, 2018 meeting minutes as presented, seconded by McMurtry, all ayes and motion carried.**

4. Visitors comments: None
5. **Plant Manager's Report:** Salfi is here to present his report. E&B Scale Services Inc. calibrated the lab analytical balance. Water lab passed the annual lab certification. 2018 VOE Grinder Inspection forms have been mailed out. Board approved swing gates for pumpout hill. Salfi reported that there has been a significant increase in flow at the Plant due to the melting snow. The majority of the flow comes from Lift Station #1 with infiltration from Hidden Spring, Larson Lane and Brookside Lane. This has been an on-going problem for the Plant. This will be an item on the next Agenda stated Salfi. Annual maintenance for the Plant generator has been done by Cummins. Septic Maintenance LLC jetted the Main Lift Pump #3 vertical line, no blockage found. Vacuum Pump and compressor replaced Pump #3 impeller and casing. Pump #3 now pumps at 275 gallons per minutes. PJ Kortens performed the annual calibration for the flow meter, and checked the Main Lift Control panel battery backup. 74 water tests were performed in April. No holding tank pumpouts or emergency call-ins. 3.42 inches of precipitation including 35.7 inches of snow. Temp high 64 F low 6 F.

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

6. **Discussion or recommendation regarding the North Shore Rd. SOP and letter from Jim Reeve:** A copy of the letter has been distributed for the committee review and comment. 40 applications of introducing water into the system for freeze mitigation reported Salfi. Salfi to provide firm numbers for cost for this procedure at the May meeting. Salfi read the letter to the committee, the issues was not a curb stop problem it was a failed check valve on the grinder station pump on the Reeve property. Salfi will contract Mr. Reeve to answer some of his posed questions.
7. **Discussion or recommendation regarding new service vehicle purchase:** Salfi has received quotes from Jim Olson Ford and Badger Truck Center. The quote from Jim Olson is \$43,845.00 complete vehicle

and the Badger quote is 43,440, just for a chassis. Salfi feels the best vehicle is the quote from Jim Olson Ford for a 2019 F550. This is replacing the 2001 F450. We could sell it on Wisconsin surplus for about \$8,000. The pumper skid would allow us to better service the grinder stations rather than using the pumper truck. Some discussion on the difference in these trucks. Does not include the skid. The skid would be amount \$6,000-\$8,000. This are fleet sale pricing.

**Motion per McMurtry to approve and recommend to the Board to accept the quote from Jim Olson Ford for the purchase of a F550 at a cost not to exceed \$45,000, with funds to come from the replacement fund, seconded by Peterman, all ayes and motion carried**

8. **Discussion or recommendation regarding REU status assignment:** Salfi presented hard copies of the current REU status report for committee review. Property in question 121-01-123312711N AL HICKEY a main residence and a cottage current assignment 1.11 this listing is to make the committee aware of current REU rates.
9. **Discussion or recommendation regarding REU status for property with parcel #121 240036D1 2018, owner Investment Properties K&M:** Location 3049 Hwy Q - Currently has 3.62 REU's Salfi Reviewed this item with committee members, this item to be addressed again in May. We may camera the Line on that street to determine location of the lateral.

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McMurtry rescinds second

10. **Discussion or recommendation regarding review or amendment of VOE Municipal Utilities Ordinance Chapter 13 Section 13.05:** Ongoing discussion of Ordinance Chapter 13. Tabled for next Meeting.
11. Visitors' comments: None
12. New business for next meeting: REU assessment and assignment, Replacement fund for new vehicle, Curb stops June 4, 2018
13. Adjournment

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

Recorded by,  
Susan Shallow- Deputy Clerk