

**WINFIELD SANITARY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING**

**MINUTES
October 14, 2021
5:00 p.m.**

On Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 5:05 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 and Clarence Litton, members; Billy Harper, Plant Manager; and Tina Woollard, Secretary.

Others present: Mr. Corey Smith and Mr. Jonathan Carpenter of The Thrasher Group. Tim LaFon, City Attorney and Mr. Jamie Hayslett of Hayslett Construction, and Jackie Hunter, Recorder.

PUBLIC: None

MINUTES

Hearing no comments, the minutes of September 14, 2021 regular meeting were approved as presented.

FINANCIAL

Bill Approval. The bills paid for the month of September in the amount of \$ 85,059.89; hearing no other questions the bills pass as presented.

Income/Expense. The financial statement for the month of September; hearing no questions, the financial statement pass as presented.

Adjustments. The adjustments for the month of September in the amount of \$ 436.06; hearing no comments or questions the adjustments pass as presented.

REPORTS

Chairman – comments/reports. Mayor Barrett's report and comments under Thrasher Engineering's progress report on the new wastewater plant and Issues and concerns caused by Lakeside's malfunctioning screen.

Staff report. Billy Harper reported that they had made two taps and one 8" blockage so far. Ammonia level results have been undetectable.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Thrasher Engineering's progress report on the new wastewater plant. Jamie Hayslett stated that over 3,000 tons of sludge were removed, and sixteen more truckloads need to be taken off-site. Corey Smith said that the sinewave line conditioners installation is complete. Mayor Barrett added; that pumps have also been installed and started the press. Billy Harper mentioned that the noise from the sinewave line conditioners is an issue. Corey Smith said that the noise is only coming through the door and that a solution to correct, would be to install a rubber door sweep and audio panels on the back of the door. Corey Smith stated that we are still waiting on parts for the transfer pump. Billy Harper said that we need to know how the generator callout works when a loss of power occurs. Billy Harper recently noticed after power flickered twice, none of the pumps or blowers started back, nothing reset. Corey Smith stated that he is has been working on the communication between Eden and Aqua-Aerobic, that the components are part of the callout feature. Clarence Litton asked if the lightning issue with the generator was fixed. Billy said last he heard, the parts to repair the generator are expected to be in on the 22nd. Mayor stated still a bunch of little things to do. The pressure valves are still ratcheted strapped and need to be replaced tile in the bathroom. Jonathan stated we need to schedule a walk-through and identify things that Jamie Hayslett needs to fix or correct before the warranty runs out. We need to let Corey know of anything that needs to be done so that we can have a list prepared. Mayor Barrett mentioned the issue with the non-pot, Billy Harper stated we are using it but it needs to be pumped out. Billy Harper stated once the non-pot is pumped out again, he thinks the issue will be resolved.

MS-4 Program. Mayor Barrett stated nothing new to report, we missed the window for sampling.

Infrastructure Projects utilizing the American Rescue Plan relief funds. Mayor reported that we ordered two panels from Precision but have not received the ETA. Parsons Contracting plans to start on Falcon Lane, other streets, and the sewer project the first of next month.

Possibilities of spending Contingency Fund. Nothing until the ponds are drained and sludge removal is complete.

Generator/Electrical failure problems/Insurance. Corey Smith reported on the generator under Thrasher Engineering's progress report on the new wastewater plant.

NEW BUSINESS

Purchasing OmniSite with A.R.P.A Funds. Clarence Litton made a motion to allot \$24,500.00 max to get as many Telemetry OmniSites as possible and revisit to purchase additional in the future. Motion carried.

Issues and concerns caused by Lakeside's malfunctioning screen. Billy Harper stated he was told by the Lakeside representative, that maintenance would need to be done once a month and includes taking down the access panels looking at the nozzles, looking for major wear, cleaning the filters, and greasing it. Nothing about microscopic surgery with a coat hanger, just do the minimal maintenance, and everything should be good. Corey Smith mentioned that he went back to the maintenance manual and the only thing mentioned is that should a major obstruction occur stop the screen isolate the prior, loosen the cover on the clamps, and further inspect to ensure no large objects affect operation. And as far as cleaning the shoots, there is nothing in the maintenance manual to suggest that you should have to do that. Mayor Barrett added that now we are doing the maintenance once a week. He believes that we were all sold a screen that doesn't work correctly. Jamie Hayslett asked that we discuss our options: A. Allow Lakeside to remedy this problem, we have been dealing with his problem in-house, the plate was damaged due to this problem and Lakeside sent a new plate out. Jamie Hayslett stated that he has every penny of their money except what he has spent working on this screen through our efforts, and they have agreed that a certain monetary value will be withheld from their final check. Jamie Hayslett will be contacting Lakeside, he came to this meeting for this particular Agenda item. Jamie Hayslett is looking for guidance on bargaining with Lakeside. Billy Harper stated that rags and debris are building up on the screen and if not cleaned weekly, there will be major breakdowns. Mayor Barrett stated that before we received the second plate, Billy went and got all thread and tied the plates together on top to help remedy. Jamie Hayslett stated that over the years Lakeside's customer service has declined but this is the first time in forty years that he has had a quality issue that they did not immediately take care of. Jamie Hayslett stated there is a flaw in the screen, everything the screen catches builds up. Mayor Barrett wants the screen to work and the guys not to be doing weekly maintenance on a brand-new piece of equipment. Clarence Litton has asked if the screen is susceptible to freeze in the winter when itemized water is on it all the time. Jonathan Carpenter stated that Pea Ridge has Lakeside equipment, not the exact but in operation for six or seven years with no freezing problems with the jackets on. Jonathan Carpenter suggested that we tell Lakeside that we want a Representative on-site to provide a service report. Jamie Hayslett has asked Billy Harper for photos of

Issues and concerns caused by Lakeside’s malfunctioning screen (cont’d)

maintenance done but the guys are using a flashlight and are looking through a hole about the size of a coat hanger to remove the buildup. Tim LaFon suggested not sending the money, if Lakeside claims they are going to file a lien to contact him, and they may be out of time to file a lien but could file a suit. Jamie Hayslett stated that the channel was designed around this one piece of equipment to retrofit it would be a mess. Jamie Hayslett will approach Lakeside but needs to know the daily issues. Billy Harper has been logging when they clean the screen, and they are cleaning weekly to prevent issues.

Putnam County Commission’s request for Sewer Adjustment. Table until next month.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Rod Burns to adjourn at 6:06 p.m.

Randy L. Barrett, Chairman

Tina Woollard, Secretary