

**MINUTES OF THE WALDO
WATER & SEWER UTILITY BOARD
MARCH 13, 2017
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

The meeting was held in compliance with the Open Meetings Law and was called to order at 7:05 p.m. immediately following the 6:00 p.m. Village Board meeting. In attendance were President Dan Schneider, Trustees Mike Hintz, Dennis Reinemann, Scott Wolfert and Mark Spitz. Also in attendance were Bruce Neerhof, John & Karen VanEss, John Port and clerk-treasurer Michelle Brecht.

The Minutes of the February 13, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved after a motion by Mark Spitz and a second by Dennis Reinemann.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved after a motion by Mark Spitz and a second by Mike Hintz. A copy will be filed in the office with the Minutes

The Vouchers were reviewed. Of note was the bulk purchase of FOG and sludge reducing products. The cost came in under budget and will last until 2019. Bruce Neerhof shared that the products are working well together. The grease reducer works all the way down through the sludge and the sludge is being reduced so much that we won't have to haul it away for at least a year. The grease reducing product continues to work even if some grease gets out into the filter beds, making for a better scenario there as well. Motion to approve vouchers #8343-8349 for a total of \$7669.84: Mark Spitz. Seconded: Dennis Reinemann. Approved.

Bruce Neerhof shared updates on Utility Operations. A copy of the lab report will be filed with these Minutes. A spool was replaced last week in the pump-house. A spool is a small section of pipe coming out of the well pump. The injector for polyphosphate into the spool was replaced. The small copper line for the transducer was relocated downstream of the water service coming out of the spool for the Village Hall. Hopefully the relocation of the copper piping for the pressure transducer along with programming updates to the PLC will combine to end water tower overflowing for good. (The PLC stands for Programmable Logic Controller. PLC is the water system controls. The updates were made last summer.) He is waiting for a call from the fire chief, Jason Parrish. Next time the fire department is going to fill trucks he hopes to be able to monitor the water levels better and see if this problem is solved. If it is, it will definitely be under the budgeted amount.

Bruce also shared that Mike Kitzerow has been cleaning up the brush at the cemetery. The Village will have to look ahead to grading and surveying the area in order to plan new plots.

It is one of the projects in the 5 year plan for the Village. Mike has also serviced the generator for the pump house and installed the rain gauge at the Treatment plant. The Rain Gauge still needs a Pulse Board so that has been ordered (about \$60.00).

Bruce did the final inspection at the Waldo State Bank. There's one minor violation they are fixing and they can move in anytime.

Mike Hintz asked Bruce about the chunk of curb that was damaged this winter by the Buelke's property. Bruce said it is the Village responsibility to repair it because it is in our right of way. He will ask the County to fix it this summer. It will probably cost under \$200.00 and is a typical problem in the winter. The plow blade probably did the damage.

There was no correspondence.

John Port offered the Public Opinion comment of "I like the numbers. It is looking healthy."

Bruce was asked if our DNR Phosphorus Report was accepted. It was.

Motion to adjourn: Dennis. Second: Mike Hintz. Adjourned at 7:28 p.m.