

## **WALDO WATER AND SEWER UTILITY MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 8, 2020**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. immediately following the Village Board meeting. In attendance were President Gary Dekker, Trustees Mark Spitz, Jerry Hammarlund, Mike Hintz, and Chris Madgwick. Also, in attendance were Michelle Brecht, John VanEss and Bruce Neerhof.
2. The meeting was in compliance with the Open Meeting Law
3. The Minutes were reviewed and approved after a motion by Mark Spitz and a second by Chris Madgwick.
4. The vouchers were reviewed. There were two disbursements that were pointed out. They were (1) the annual accountant bill for reviewing the previous year's financials and preparing the PSC report for the water dept. and (2) a higher than usual due from utilities amount due to insurance bills paid by the Village on behalf of the utility. Motion to approve checks 8751-8761 for a total of \$21,114.58 was made by Mark Spitz and seconded by Mike Hintz. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Of note was that the Sewer Depreciation goal for 2020 is met. The water depreciation account grew due to the transfer of the Verizon tower rent for May, per the Board action of last month. Discussion was had regarding putting some of the water/sewer payments into the water depreciation account. Michelle will speak with the accountant about this. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report: Chris Madgwick. Seconded: Jerry Hammarlund.
5. Bruce Neerhof gave a report on utility operations. It included:
  - All wastewater permit limits were met. (a graph was provided)
  - RE300 phosphorus pilot test update. The RE300 has been successful thus far. Tweaking the dosage is in progress.
  - The heavy rains/storm event led to bypassing some storm sewer water into the grass by the old treatment plant. The DNR was notified. That correspondence was shared.
  - SCADA was updated for recirculating pumps remote control and automation on override timer. This will specifically help during heavy rains and snow melt events.
  - Plan to eliminate WWTP bypassing was recommended
  - The next DNR permit will change the effluent disinfection testing from fecal coliform to e-coli testing.
6. Per the Utility Operations report and recommendation, the Board reviewed a quote for a new Trash Pump purchase. This equipment will allow sanitary sewer overflows to be pumped into the treatment plant and out onto the filter beds rather than drained out where it could get into the river. Motion to approve the purchase of a Trash Pump and relative equipment for a total of \$2,386.84: Mark Spitz. Seconded: Chris Madgwick. Approved.
7. A copy of the annual CMAR (Compliance maintenance Annual Report) was reviewed. (It is based off 2019 reporting.) The sanitary sewer overflows are the main concern that the utility needs to address this year. Resolution 2020-02 was reviewed, and the Utility Board was encouraged to pass it and recommend it to the Village Board for review and vote at the July meeting. The key paragraph reads as follows: "Be it therefore resolved by the Village of Waldo Water and Sewer Utility Board and the Village of Waldo Board of Trustees, that the following recommendations or actions will be taken to address Sanitary Sewer Overflows. The investigation of illegal sump pumps and roof drains will be investigated when possible and eliminated. The cleaning and televising of sanitary sewers to discover and eliminate infiltration and inflow will continue. The Utility will purchase a trash pump and discharge hose. They will be used to pump wastewater from the influent wet-well to the recirculating sand filter pumps' wet-well. This will eliminate bypassing of untreated wastewater during rain or snow melt events, when the influent pumps are at capacity." Motion to approve Resolution 2020-02: Chris Madgwick. Seconded: Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.
8. There was no correspondence from the Clerk
9. Updates from the Board: Gary thanked Bruce, Dean and Mike for their help during the storm.
10. No Public comment.
11. Motion to adjourn Chris Madgwick. Seconded: Mark Spitz. Adjourned at 7:30 p.m.