

**SANITARY BOARD  
WEIRTON, WV**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024**

The Sanitary Board, City of Weirton, met in regular session Thursday, July 11th, 2024 in the Sanitary Board Conference Room, 5000 Freedom Way, Weirton, WV. Board Member, Joseph Barnabei called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Those in attendance were:

**BOARD MEMBERS**

Mayor Harold Miller, Chairman:

Joseph Barnabei, Board Member:

**SANITARY BOARD OFFICIALS**

A.D. Mastrantoni, Utilities Director

Richard Ohalek, Secretary

Dan Guida, Legal Counsel

Brian Jurosko, Chief Operator

Brian Kuntz, Treasurer

Connie Wright, Executive Secretary

Scott Colvin, General Foreman

Others in Attendance: Ben Erste and Carlo Fabian - BHJ, Mark Miller - Carl Wilson - Thrasher, Chuck Kelly - Triton Construction Manager, Jasen Havens - Assistant Director Water

1) Board Member Joseph Barnabei; made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 13, 2024 as presented; seconded by Chairman Mayor Miller; passed unanimously.

2) No comments from citizens:

3) Butch Mastrantoni presented the financial report and stated that there is estimated amount and it's the shared expenses reimbursement for July and it estimated at \$3,666.00. The reason is that we haven't received the invoice. Other than that Brian's report is pretty complete and will be submitted to the Board for approval.

Chairman, Mayor Miller; made a motion to accept the Financial Report as presented; seconded by Board Member Joseph Barnabei, passed unanimously.

4) Approval of unpaid bills; nothing

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**5) OLD BUSINESS:**

**A) Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade and Expansion:** Jesse Alden presented a handout and introduced Chuck Kelly he is our Construction Manager. He is going to be assisting with the project and he will be involved throughout the whole process here. He is managing our Weirton office but he will be onsite daily as necessary and coordinate with the Contractor to make sure that things are moving. We had our first progress meeting this morning with the Contractor and with the City as well. On a monthly basis I will be providing updates to the Board to go over to keep you updated with the project and the progress meeting and how we stand with contingency and change orders and anything associated with the project. Jesse stated Triton construction is \$37,213,000 unchanged and have not had any change orders. So that is the current contract amount the way the project was awarded. The completion dates are 540 days to substantial and 572 to final payment. We did have a pay application this month. Ben will present that in the draw and as I stated no change orders but we will keep track of those as we go along. I do want to keep track of contingency throughout the project, as we deal with the potential change orders. We are just going to track this as we go along, so beginning contingency amount is 1.8 million and you will see that as we go along as it changes but that is where we are. As you can see Triton has fully mobilized, they have got several guys on the site here. They have got a lot of equipment here and may have performed a lot of miscellaneous demolition, in coordination with the staff here at the plant to remove items that were part of the project. We did take out of service the existing secondary clarifiers to do some measurements as well. That was in coordination with the staff here to make sure that operations are maintained during that period. They have excavated for the blower building, all that is complete and they have constructed the building footers. The block layers are actually out on site today putting in the subgrade masonry. They are working on excavation for the EQ basin and SBR basins now and the new headwork building. They are driving steel piling which started yesterday and I'm sure the plant staff is happy to hear that because it's just a constant banging which is going to occur for the next 30 days. They are proposing to have all the piling installed by the end of July. It is slow going at the moment they have 500 steel piles to put in, they are proposing to do like eight to ten a day. Also they are going to be working on Fridays to maintain their schedule. Jesse stated that monthly he will provide some photos, as you see the secondary clarifiers when it was taken out of service, and we have photos showing that and then just a couple of photos showing the blower building excavation, the footer preparation and on the right side there is the blower building footer installation. As we go along we will change those pictures out monthly, shots of interest often in there but that's where we stand with the project. We have a progress meeting scheduled for August 15 at 8:30 am, so we are those meetings the same day as the Board Meeting. Mr. Barnabei commend Jesse on his report and stated that it was appreciative for me and great for the public update. Jesse stated that is good and that is kind of the standard of what we are trying to provide and will also do the same for the Water Board. Jesse stated that the Board members don't get to go out on site and I think it is important that you all get to see what is happening there.

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**B) Draw #4:** Ben stated draw number Four is a total of \$1,063,390.22 and that is broken down to Triton Construction second pay application in the amount of \$1,009,845.70 and the Thrasher Group for \$53,544.52. The construction portion for Triton will be coming out of the City ARPA funds and the Thrasher payment will come out of the CWSRF loan.

Board Member, Joseph Barnabei; made a motion to approve to Draw #4 as presented; seconded by Chairman, Mayor Miller, passed unanimously.

**6) NEW BUSINESS:**

**A) Resolution: To Upgrade a Section of Damaged Sewer Pipe on Alexanders Run:** Butch stated Scott here this morning with us, one of the budgeted items that we included in our 24, 25 budget was for a pipe burst out on Alexander's Run. The map here in the back of the room will show Alexander's line going down this way. Right now at this location we are having manholes surcharge during heavy or wet weather events. We have had two registered spills and we had to report the spills. But in lesser events, we know that there is some pollution occurring. Pointing at the projector Butch stated that in this area, this is near the manhole and it is as you can see the effect that's happening on the pond rather than get to the point where we have a citation issued. This is the first step of a multifaceted probe project. We are proposing a pipe burst which will replace a 10 inch line with a 14 inch line and the line will be HTP fusible pipe which will increase or decrease the C factor, increase the volume of water that can slip through the pipe. There will be a success of number of projects but we're suggesting that we start right at this location. Hopefully that will give us the additional capacity and reserve to stop this manhole from overflowing creating the situation in here. As you see in this picture the debris has come out of the manhole shoving the casing off of it. The water pressure is so intense that it moves it off and then creates this debris that goes off into the pond. So before we get to the point where being cited by the DEP or anyone we wanted to take this opportunity to suggest this project and hopefully have the Board approve it. The cost of the pipe burst is \$57,530. Scott stated that he talked to the contractor and he stated that he will be available in September. Butch asked who is the contractor, Scott stated Tim Kennedy is the on site foreman and the company is State Pipe. Butch stated that this company has done work for us before and Scott stated the company did a pipe burst behind Greico Funeral Home in the alley and Butch stated they were very efficient and easy to work with so we are asking the Board to approve this and that would enable me to sign a contract commitment put us on the schedule with them.

Chairman, Mayor Miller; made a motion to approve to Contract State Pipe for pipe bursting on Alexanders Run as presented; seconded by Board Member, Joseph Barnabei passed unanimously.

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**B) Resolution: To Pay Intrastate Revenue Assessment:** Butch stated each year the Public Service Commission bills utilities that are in West Virginia. They're shared based on our gross amount of revenue, our fees this year to be part of the US Public Service Commission Club is \$11,581.04. We are asking for the Board approval. Dan Guida stated that there is a mistake on the bill it says water but it should sanitary. Mr. Barnabei stated for the record the invoice Interstates Revenue Assessment water will be change to the Interstates Revenue Assessment Sanitary.

Chairman, Mayor Harold Miller; made a motion to approve To Pay Interstates Revenue Assessment as presented; seconded by Board Member, Joseph Barnabei, passed unanimously.

**C) Informational:** Barry Moore Retirement July 26, 2024, Butch stated that he just wanted the Board to know we have a long term employee who is planning to retire on July 26, 2024. Barry Moore he's enjoyed a long career here at the Sanitary Board and we want to congratulate him on achieving of retirement status. Just informing the Board of Barry Moore retirement.

Brian Jurosko asked if we could show pictures of the upgrade? Butch stated yes, we have some pictures the we can scroll through on the projector of work that has been done. Butch is explaining the pictures, this is the head works building as it continued to be excavated for footers. This is one of the tank sites where it is sequential batch reactor tanks will go in removing a good bit of dirt out there. These are the footage on the blower building, this is the second site you can see the volume of dirt has been moved there currently driving piling on these sites now. Jesse stated the material there is very good they have actually use a rock hammer to hammer out some of the material even though it is not rock it is just compacted so well. So we should have solid stable ground to build off of. Butch stated this entire site when the plant was first built her had to be raised above the 100 year flood plain and they did that using blast furnace slag. The slag is like concrete to dig through, we experienced the same thing on ATAD building when we were digging out there. Butch is showing and explaining more of the upgrade pictures and stated we are off to a good start.

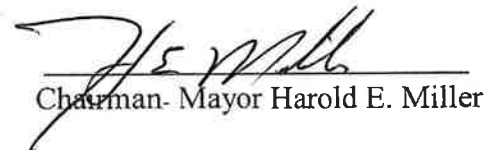
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D) Next Board Meeting Date : The next regular meeting of the Sanitary Board is Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 10:00 am in Conference Room at Waste Water Treatment Plant, 5000 Freedom Way Weirton, WV 26062.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. with no further business to discuss. Board Member, Joseph Barnabei made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Chairman, Mayor Miller passed unanimously.



Sanitary Board, Secretary



Chairman- Mayor Harold E. Miller