

# TOWN OF CHESTERTON SERVICE UTILITY BOARD

## MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 20, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Board Members A. Michel, J. Raffin, J. Schnadenberg and L. Brandt, Supt. D. Ryan, Engineer M. O'Dell, Council Member Liaison D. Lafata, Clerk- Treasurer S. Kuziela, Porter Rep. B. Brueckheimer, Attorney C. Parkinson and Secretary D. Schoenfelt. Absent were Member S. McCord, Town Manager B. Doyle and Attorney C. Nolan.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

J. Raffin moved to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2017 meeting, seconded by J. Schnadenberg, approved by unanimous voice vote.

### APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

J. Schnadenberg moved to approve the claims as presented, seconded by A. Michel, approved by unanimous voice vote.

### COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Alex Curiel addressed the Board asking to connect to the Town's sewer system on the Northside of 1050N between Meridian and 50W. The matter was turned over to D. Ryan and M. O'Dell to look into and report back at the next Board meeting.
2. Jill Chitwood addressed the Board asking to connect to the Town's sewer system. This matter was also turned over to D. Ryan and M. O'Dell to look into and report back at the next Board meeting. Ms. Chitwood was also advised she would need to file a petition with the Town Council for annexation approval.

### Superintendent's Report

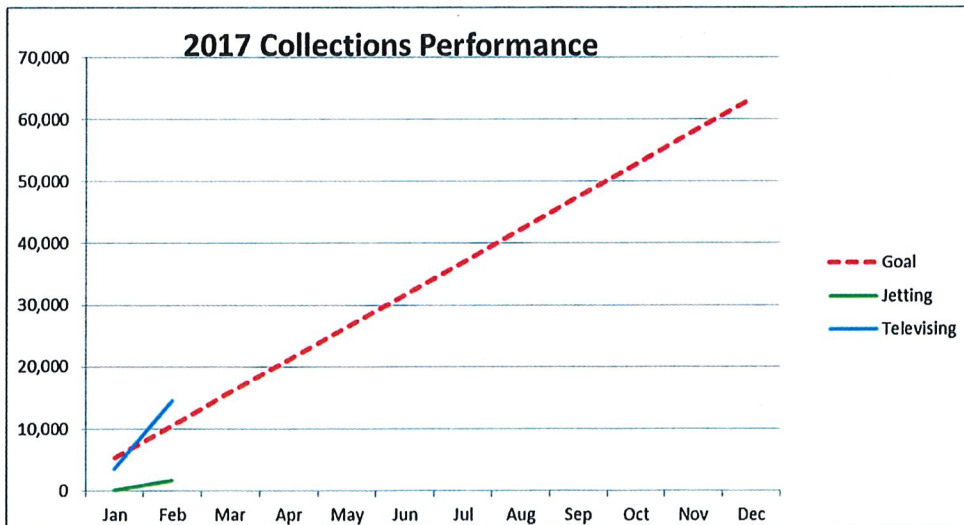
#### Administration

1. Jerry Graves from the collection crew is out on medical leave after suffering a heart attack on 2/19. He is doing very well.
2. The Phase-3 Clarifier Rehab Pre-Construction meeting will be held on Tuesday 3/21.
3. A contract for the Davis-Bacon Labor Standards work on Phase-3 was entered into with Mendenhall & Associates for \$5k.
4. Gaskill & Walton signed the contract for Phase-3. We need to sign two originals.  
*Action: (Sign Contract)*
5. The throttle body on the Kat generator had to be replaced. Cost = \$700+
6. Researching options for our Grit removal equipment to perform automatic restarts after power losses. Also looking at how to automatically adjust to wet weather flows.

7. We are still waiting on repair parts for the Vac truck pony motor transmission.
8. Heavy rainfall (2.59") on 2/28-3/1 required extra Operator attention to maximize plant through-put in order to minimize the chances of a CSO event. The CSO basin filled to 10.8', equating to approximately 616k gallons. Kudos to the plant staff for their dedicated efforts.
9. Applications are still being reviewed for the remaining vacancy in collections. It is anticipated that interviews will begin this week.
10. I met with several board members of Fox Chase on 2/1, at their request, to discuss their concerns regarding maintenance and troubleshooting on their grinder pump assemblies. They were very appreciative of me coming to Barb's house for the meeting and providing them with the info they needed. On 2/23, one of their board members came to my office to discuss the grinder basin placement process for any future new homes in Fox Chase.
11. On 2/22 we met with SCADATA reps to troubleshoot our SCADA system communication errors with several lift stations that has been occurring for a couple of years. It appears the fixes were successful as we have not experienced many errors since.

## Collections

1. There were no pump failures this month.
2. We raised one manhole on Hogan Ave.
3. We televised 11,052 feet and jetted 1,605.
4. The camera crew has been on Village Point in Coffee Creek, heading toward Kat lift station.
5. We completed 171 locates and 6 inspections.



## **Treatment**

1. Expansion Related/Warranty Work
  - a. The Headworks building HVAC system is still being monitored for not starting after power interruptions.
2. Streamlined Mercury Minimization/Variance Program
  - a. Continuing to meet the annual requirements.
3. Maintenance Tasks
  - a. The secondary digester level sensor failed and we are waiting on a replacement.
  - b. RAS valve #1 actuator automatic operation failed in Jan. and we are still waiting on parts.
  - c. The Centrifuge Polymer System failed due to plugging with contaminated polymer. The equipment was cleaned out and electrical components reset. All is working fine now.
  - d. The secondary digester level sensor has failed and is being diagnosed.
  - e. Digester circulating pump #2 failed from plugging. Unit was cleaned out. Currently diagnosing why the pump is not handling the obstructions as it should.
  - f. Repaired a non-potable hydrant due to failure.
  - g. A phosphorous treatment pump suction line obstruction was discovered and removed.
  - h. Several Primary and Secondary Clarifier Scum disposal piping plugs were opened with the help of collections and their jetter.
  - i. The UV disinfection system is on schedule for the start of the season April 1<sup>st</sup>.
4. Pre-Treatment
  - a. Continuing our efforts to assist local industries in meeting their discharge limits. Efforts are ongoing to monitor industry effluents and commercial grease traps. Semi-annual sampling and lab analysis of our two main industries is underway for 2017.

## **Engineer's Report**

M. O'Dell reported he is continuing to work with D. Ryan on the Phase 3 project.

## **Town of Porter**

B. Breuckheimer thanked D. Ryan for having patience and working with her on the Porter Cove paving project.

## **Board Report**

Chesterton – 48%    Porter – 56%    Indian Boundary – 63%

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. D. Ryan reported he is still working with the attorneys on the easement for the Walro lift station.

2. J. Schnadenberg expressed his hopes this matter is settled by the next meeting.
3. C. Parkinson said the delay has not been on our side and is due to the function of some arcane process with Chicago banks.

**NEW BUSINESS - None**

**LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS - None**

**COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

1. A. Michel hoped things work out with the Walro easement project.

**ADJOURNMENT**

J. Schnadenberg moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m., seconded by A. Michel, approved by unanimous voice vote.

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Lawrence Brandt Chairman

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Deb Schoenfelt Secretary