

TOWN OF CHESTERTON SERVICE UTILITY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 19, 2017

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

J. Raffin moved to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2017 meeting, seconded by A. Michel, approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

J. Raffin moved to approve the claims as presented, seconded by J. Schnadengerg, approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

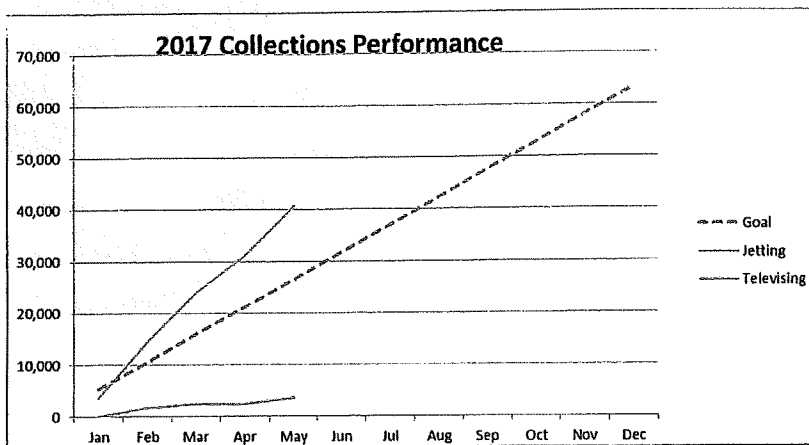
Superintendent's Report

Administration

1. Jerry Graves from the collection crew returned to work 6/5.
2. We ordered the installation of a phone line for a dialer at the 49 Corridor lift station. The dialer is now operational. This gives us another layer of protection for one of our largest lift stations.
3. Research for a new Vac truck is still in progress. We have witnessed three demos and will be looking at one more prior to finalizing our observations and assessing our needs.
4. Our Vac truck was back in service on Tuesday 5/30. Repairs to the pony motor transmission cost \$11k. Unfortunately we discovered the water pump casing was cracked when returned. We took it down to Doheny in Whitestown for repair and they also found internal damage to the pump. Repairs to the pump totaled \$11k.
5. On 5/31 reps from Crane Pumps in Ohio were at our shop to provide training on the troubleshooting and repair of the 2HP grinder pumps that we have in Fox Chase. We are hoping that once we become responsible for these pumps, this training will prove beneficial and provide for a more cost efficient and timely method of repairs.
6. Recruitment for the Lab Chief position is in progress. I have conducted several interviews and will be moving the process forward very soon.

Collections

1. There were no pump failures this month.
2. The collection crew assisted the plant guys with cleaning out a primary and a secondary clarifier.
3. The crew began installing grindings on our easement at the Deer Run apartments which will provide us safe access to the Walro lift station.
4. We televised 9,544 feet and jetted 1,200 feet. Jetting will return to normal pace once we have the Vac truck back full time.
5. The camera crew began taping in Abercrombie and Westwood.
6. We completed 275 locates and 7 inspections.



Treatment

1. Expansion Related/Warranty Work
 - a. Grit removal equipment changes are needed to automatically restart equipment after power interruptions. We also need the unit to automatically adjust to wet weather flows. Gasvoda is still working on these issues with the manufacturer.
2. Streamlined Mercury Minimization/Variance Program
 - a. Continuing to meet the annual requirements. Sampling and testing for Mercury in the wastewater collection system will resume this summer.
3. Maintenance Tasks
 - a. The Centrifuge Major Service project, required due to years of service time and manufacturer recommendations, is scheduled for the week of 6/19/17.
 - b. The Digester Circulating Pumps continue to trip out when operating in "Program" mode. Research continues on this issue.
 - c. We drained and cleaned Aeration Tank #2, Secondary Clarifier #2, Primary Clarifier #4 and #6 as part of our annual tank Cleaning/Inspection Program. This also allowed contractors to inspect the empty tanks that are scheduled for refurbishment this summer.
 - d. 200 yards of biosolids was hauled to the Meyer farm by Utility and Street Dept. crews. We greatly appreciate the assistance from the Street Dept.

4. Pre-Treatment

- a. Efforts are ongoing to monitor industry effluents and commercial grease traps. We have identified the critical locations and are planning a schedule to inspect those.

Engineer's Report – None

Town of Porter – None

Board Report

Chesterton – 58% Porter – 53% Indian Boundary – 74%

OLD BUSINESS

1. S. Kuziela reported she was notified by the County Auditor that Utilities will receive \$8193.19 from paid liens.
2. There was a consensus among the board to make no changes to the tap-on fees.

NEW BUSINESS – None

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS – None

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD – None

ADJOURNMENT

S. McCord moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m., seconded by A. Michel, approved by unanimous voice vote.

Lawrence Brandt Chairman

Deb Schoenfelt Secretary