

TOWN OF CHESTERTON SERVICE UTILITY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 15, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Members L. Brandt, A. Michel, J. Raffin and J. Schnadenberg, Supt. T. Atherton, Engineer M. O'Dell, Clerk-Treas. S. Kuziela, Council Member Liaison S. Darnell, Town Manager B. Doyle, Porter Rep. B. Brueckheimer, Attorneys C. Parkinson and J. Paulson and Secretary D. Schoenfelt. Absent was member S. McCord.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

J. Schnadenberg moved to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2015 meeting, seconded by A. Michel, approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

A. Michel moved to approve the claims, adjusting the London Witte claim to \$10,120.00, seconded by J. Raffin, approved by unanimous voice vote.

Later in the meeting, S. Kuziela changed the adjustment amount to 19,137.71.

J. Raffin moved to adjust the London Witte claim to 19,137.71, seconded by J. Schnadenberg, approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

A letter from Mary Anne McArtle concerning a water heater that leaked while she was having surgery and recuperating with a relative. She was seeking an adjustment of \$99.00 to decrease her sewer bill. No Board action was taken.

Superintendent's Report

Administration

1. We are anxiously awaiting the final ruling by IURC regarding the elimination of the CTA for Fox Chase Farms.
2. The opening of bids for the sewer replacement on 21st St. from Porter Ave. to Union St. is scheduled for tonight's Board meeting.
3. We have received IDEM's acceptance of our proposed changes to the SUO response from IDEM regarding the SUO revisions. The Town will have to formally act on the Final Draft of the ordinance before August 23, 2015.
4. After several months, we finally received a response from IDEM regarding the Updated CSOOP Plan which was submitted to IDEM for review in November. We have until July 27, 2015 to amend the CSOOP in response to their comments.

Collections

1. There were no reported pump failures or replacements for the month of May.
2. We poured a new bottom for the manhole on East Calumet Rd. just north of Round the Clock Restaurant.
3. We had to do some brick replacement and fix the steel casting on the manhole at 3rd and Porter Avenue.
4. The manhole casting on Wabash and Locust Street was repaired.
5. We jettied 19,430 feet, bringing our total to 42% of our annual goal. We videotaped 4,177 feet bringing that total to 19% of our annual goal.
6. We completed 230 locates (603 total to date) and 2 inspections for a total to date of 8.

Treatment

1. Expansion Related Issues
 - a. Ongoing employee training on new equipment, i.e. grit removal system.
 - b. Intermittently shutting down plant influent flow to allow new wet weather system tie into existing RAW Sewage pumping facility.
 - c. Installation of the SCADA System Upgrade is requiring periodic manual operation of plant equipment. Operator attention needed around the clock on many days to get the system back up and running in a reliable manner. Daily employee training sessions will be ongoing for several weeks until the needed level of proficiency is achieved. Daily program modifications are being done as improvements are added along with dealing with "Bugs" in the system.
2. Biosolids were hauled to the Meyer farm with the Utility dump truck and semi dump trucks from Carney Const. and Excavating.
3. A new Final Effluent Auto Sampler was installed and is operating. The existing unit will be used to replace our oldest auto sampler currently used to sample Combined Sewer Overflow events.
4. Continuing with the requirements of the IDEM Streamlined Mercury Variance including meeting our 6 and 9 month deadlines early. Education of Staff to reduce Mercury containing equipment is scheduled. Inspection of commercial facilities to manage potential sources of pollution is ongoing.
5. The installation of 2 additional heated rain gauges to meet IDEM LTCP requirements has been initiated. With one located at the Dickenson Rd. lift station East of town, one located at the Westwood lift station Southwest of town and the existing gauge at the WWTP we should have the coverage needed to capture a rainfall event only involving a boundary area of the town.

J. Raffin moved to extend the substantial completion date for 30 more days for Gariup, seconded by J. Schnadenberg, approved by voice vote.

Engineer's Report

1. WWTP Phase 1A – Thieneman Construction

- A. Thieneman is working on final punch list items and final completion.
 - B. Paid to date: \$1,995,113.54 (\$29,708.46 retainage being withheld until punch list finished)
2. WWTP Phase 1B – Utility Services authority LLC.
 - A. Final Completion.
 - B. Paid to Date: \$387,484.00 (final payment which includes retainage)
 3. WWTP Phase 1C – Thieneman Construction
 - A. Final Completion 11/17/14
 - B. Paid to Date: \$214,051.00 (final payment which includes retainage)
 4. WWTP Phase 2 – Gariup Construction Co., Inc.
 - A. Gariup worked on installation of the non-potable water and sanitary line for the Headworks building.
 - B. Gariup worked on mechanical and electrical/process equipment installation in the Headworks building.
 - C. Gariup worked on site work and landscaping around the treatment plant.
 - D. Gariup and Ace Technologies worked on SCADA and equipment startups/training.
 - E. Paid to Date: \$7,952,079.50
 - F. Approved LTCP Schedule:

Submit the LTCP to IDEM	June 2011
LTCP Regulatory Review	June 2011 – July 2011
Project Design	Aug.2012 – July 2013
Project Permitting	Aug. 2013 – Feb. 2014
Funding Development	Mar. 2014 – Sept. 2014
Bidding and Construction Phase	Oct. 2014 – June 2016
Startup and Commissioning	June 2016 – August 2016
Achievement of Full Operation LTCP projects	Sept. 2016
Final Post-Construction Monitoring Report	Oct. 2018
 5. SCADA – ACE Technologies, LLC
 - A. Startup/Online Testing – May 4, 2015 – May 29, 2015

Town of Porter – No report

Board Report

Porter – 49% Indian Boundary – 54% Chesterton – 47%

OLD BUSINESS

LTCP discussed in earlier reports

NEW BUSINESS

The following bids were opened for the 21st Street Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction Project:

Gatlin Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	\$222,222.00
GE Marshall, Inc.	\$226,850.00
Gough, Inc.	\$215,871.00
Grimmer Construction, Inc.	\$198,770.00
Hasse Construction Co., Inc.	\$259,000.00
LGS Plumbing, Inc.	\$299,135.00
Woodruff & Sons, Inc.	\$234,418.00

J. Raffin moved to take these bids under advisement, seconded by A. Michel, approved by unanimous voice vote.

A. Michel moved to approve the contract with The Sidwell Company, seconded by J. Raffin, approved by unanimous voice vote.

J. Schnadenberg moved to approve the purchase of a new vehicle to replace unit #312, a 2001 2wd Ford Explorer, with a new 4x4 2016 Ford Explorer costing \$25,971, seconded by J. Raffin, approved by unanimous voice vote.

A. Michel moved to pay the Greg Colton invoice for work done with the IIURC on the Fox Chase Farms Project in the amount of \$19,045.20, seconded by J. Schnadenberg, approved by unanimous voice vote.

T. Atherton will be working with M. O'Dell on using the ipad for the storm water locates.

J. Raffin moved to approve the change in the salary ordinance involving the Utility Supt. and Asst. Utility Supt. salaries, seconded by A. Michel, approved by unanimous voice vote.

A. Michel moved to ratify the amendment to the May 12, 2014 Engagement Letter with London Witte Group, not to exceed \$100,000 in costs, seconded by J. Raffin, approved by unanimous voice vote.

J. Schnadenberg moved to approve the Sanitary Sewer Connection and Treatment Agreement with Whispering Sands MCH, LLC, seconded by A. Michel, approved by unanimous voice vote.

J. Schnadenberg moved to approve an agreement to extend issuance of notice to proceed for the Meridian Road Wastewater Collection and Transport System Project with Gatlin Plumbing & Heating, Inc., seconded by J. Raffin, approved by unanimous voice vote.

A. Michel moved to approve a Supplement Agreement No. 1 between the Chesterton Utility Service Board and McMahon Associates, Inc. for professional services, seconded by J. Raffin, approved by unanimous voice vote.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from George K. Clem to inform T. Atherton the faulty flow meter for the Indian Boundary Conservancy District was replaced on May 13, 2015 and to send an invoice for \$13,189.07 to cover the bill adjustment.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

L. Brandt congratulated Jay Iler for his presentation at the 2015 Indiana GIS Conference.

A. Michel said he was glad we had avoided any overflows.

ADJOURNMENT

J. Raffin moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m., seconded by J. Schnadenberg, approved by unanimous voice vote.

Lawrence Brandt Chairman

Deb Schoenfelt Secretary