



MINUTES
Winfield Sewer Board
Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 23rd, 2021

Call to order: A meeting of the Winfield Sewer Board was held at the Winfield Government Center, Winfield, Indiana on Tuesday, March 23rd, 2021. The meeting convened at 6:52 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Rick Anderson conducted roll call.

Members in attendance: Gerald Stiener and Mark Wacnik

Members not in attendance:

Additional in attendance: Rick Anderson, Clerk Treasurer; David Austgen, Attorney for Austgen Kuiper Jasaitis P.C.; Sanitary Sewer Engineer, Jeremy Lin; Town Administrator, Nick Bellar; Public Works Director Tony Clark; Bill England, Utility Services; and Recording Secretary Kim Wachowski.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Gerald Stiener entertained a motion to approve the Joint Sewer Board and Town Council Executive Session of January 26, 2021 as well as the Sewer Board meetings of January 26, 2021. Mark Wacnik made a motion to accept the minutes; Gerald Stiener seconded the motion. A voice vote found all members were in favor, the motion passed 2-0.

STAFF REPORTS

Bob Gertzen submitted his report in writing. Bill England gave an update; he reported the plant is running well. They had one violation error recently but it was an operator error. They have been training someone new. They've been having a problem with the ferric feed; he believes it's getting clogged up. Bill stated they are going to wait for the water tank to get low to flush it out. There have been no other major issues. Attorney Austgen stated the error on the January report was an aberration. Jeremy Lin explained there was a power surge that happened over a weekend which knocked out a piece of equipment on the aeration monitor causing a DMR violation. He has looked into the violation and it is not something that is reoccurring. With the expansion they are going to have a new surge arrestor on the service so those things won't happen in the future. Attorney Austgen noted when they send reports to Indianapolis, they are being reviewed and monitored by the engineer and operator.

CITIZENS REQUESTING PLACEMENT ON AGENDA:

None.

UNFINISHED/DEFERRED BUSINESS

1. *Update on Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project.*

Jeremy Lin stated construction has started in earnest now that the weather has broken. Excavation has been completed on the oxidation ditch and anaerobic tank. The first concrete pour will be this Friday dependent on the weather. They have been holding weekly construction meetings with staff and the contractor. So far, they are on schedule. There are two pay applications on the agenda tonight. The first is the payment bond and the second covers the completed excavation work. He has reviewed and checked off on the pay applications.

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Pay Application #1, Thieneman Construction, WWTP Expansion \$47,048.40.*

Mark Wacnik made the motion to approve Pay Application #1 to Thieneman Construction for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Expansion in the amount of \$47,048.40. Gerald Stiener seconded the motion, the motion carried with all in favor 2-0.



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2. Pay Application #2, Thieneman Construction, WWTP Expansion \$264,006.00.

Mark Wacnik made the motion to approve Pay Application #2 to Thieneman Construction for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Expansion in the amount of \$264,006.00. Gerald Stierer seconded the motion, the motion carried with all in favor 2-0.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Rick Anderson presented claims noting the total amount of claims of \$584,951.86; this includes two months worth of claims since there was no meeting in February. This does include the two pay applications to Thieneman Construction. Mark Wacnik made a motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$584,951.86. Gerald Stierer seconded the motion; all were found in favor the motion carried 2-0.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Tuesday, April 27th, 2021 @ 6:00pm is the date for the next Sewer Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Gerald Stierer entertained a motion to adjourn. Mark Wacnik motioned for adjournment and Gerald Stierer seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion carried 2-0. With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

Gerald Stierer
Sewer Board President

Richard C. Anderson Jr.
Clerk-Treasurer

Date of Approval