

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Directors of the
Lewiston-Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority

The meeting was held on Friday February 12, 2016 at 7:30 a.m. at the Authority offices located at 535 Lincoln Street in Lewiston, Maine.

Directors Present	Norm Lamie
	David Jones
	Sid Hazelton
	Mark Adams
	Pete Preble
	Denis D'Auteuil

Absent:	Phil Nadeau
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Superintendent:	Clayton "Mac" Richardson
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Assistant Superintendent:	Travis Peaslee
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Guests/ Public:	none
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Dave Jones agreed to serve as Chairman in Mr. Nadeau's absence.

The minutes of the January 8 regular meeting were approved on a unanimous vote moved by Norm Lamie and seconded by Dennis D'Auteuil. The minutes of the December 18 special meeting were approved as moved by Dennis D'Auteuil and seconded by Pete Preble.

The consent agenda was approved as moved by Pete Preble and seconded by Mark Adams, the vote was unanimous.

Financial Reports: Mac had little to add given how early we are in the fiscal year. The independent auditors from Horton McFarland and Veysey have started on the 2015 audit report. It was the consensus of the Board to keep the initial cost apportionment at 54% Lewiston and 46% Auburn.

Old Business:

- a) Dewatering Project: the screw presses are onsite, installation should be completed by late March. The siloxane removal equipment has been placed and mostly piped up, installation of the media will follow in the next month or so.
- b) Salary Survey: We have sent out an RFP to two consultants and proposals are due back on March 24th.
- c) River Road Landfill RFP: LAWPCA is seeking proposals from Sevee and Maher and CES to update the environmental monitoring plan for the site and to recommend any actions that should be taken now to ensure the site is stable and maintained properly for the next twenty years +/- . The environmental monitoring plan has not been updated since the landfill was finally capped and closed out in 1993.

New Business:

- a) Compost Facility Groundwater: The Maine DEP has requested or is requiring LAWPCA to update our current action plan to address elevated nitrates in the monitoring wells at the facility. Although nitrate levels are significantly lower than when we started on this effort we seem to have reached a level point where further decreases are unlikely without additional action. We have asked Sevee and Maher (the consultant that has been working with us on this) to estimate the cost to install a leachate holding tank that would be expected to eliminate the ponding on the biofilter liner which in turn may be leading to leakage of the biofilter water into the groundwater. Sevee and Maher has offered to do the work for a sum not to exceed \$6,200. Norm Lamie moved to authorize the Superintendent to have Sevee and Maher prepare a conceptual plan and cost estimate for a sum not to exceed \$6,200. Upon a second from Dennis D'Auteuil the motion passes unanimously.
- b) Discussion of food waste disposal and utilization: The city of Lewiston was asked to study and comment on proposed legislation regarding disposal of food wastes in landfills (a practice which has been banned in other New England states). There may be grants offered to process food waste in anaerobic digesters and/or compost facilities. Since LAWPCA operates both types of facilities, the city of Lewiston invited us to preliminary discussions. At this point we are just gathering information and watching what develops.

Informational Items (Superintendent's Report):

LAWPCA is working with Maine DEP on our MEPDES permit renewal, there are some encouraging changes such as a reduced frequency required for effluent BOD and TSS testing and some changes that should make our use of the secondary bypass more straight forward. Air testing on the Co-Generation

engines has been completed. This is the completion of work that should have been done when the original co-gen engines were installed, but was not fully completed at that time.

Mark Adams asked for an update on the insurance payment for the Co-Gen engine replacement. Mac explained that after we covered the deductible, the insurance company paid the remainder of the costs, except for very minor incidental things. Overall we are pleased with the support we received from Cross and Alteris.

On a motion by Sid Hazleton and seconded by Norm Lamie the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00 am.