

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
LEWISTON-AUBURN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**

The regular meeting of the Lewiston-Auburn Water Pollution Control Authority was held on Friday, December 13, 2019 at 7:30 a.m. at the Authority offices at 535 Lincoln St., Lewiston.

Directors Present: Sid Hazelton
Norm Lamie
Peter Crichton
Pete Preble
Mark Adams
Denis D'Auteuil

Absent: Dale Doughty

Superintendent: Clayton Richardson

Assistant Superintendent: Travis Peaslee

Secretary: Candace Taylor

Treasurer: Ralph Lenfestey

Mark Adams called the meeting to order at 7:36 a.m.

Minutes

Sid Hazelton made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 8, 2019 regular meeting. Peter Crichton seconded, all approved, and the minutes were placed on file.

Election of Officers

Norm Lamie made a motion to leave slate of officers as is: Board Chair-Mark Adams, Treasurer- Ralph Lenfestey, and Clerk- Clayton Richardson. Peter Crichton seconded and the motion passed.

Public Questions and Comments

There were no public questions or comments.

Consent Agenda

Sid Hazelton made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Peter Crichton seconded and the motion passed.

Financial Reports

Mac will provide by email and updated projection on year end for 2019.

Norm Lamie made a motion to set First Quarter Cost Apportionment of 2020 to Lewiston 65% and Auburn 35%. Peter Crichton seconded and the motion passed.

Superintendent Report

Mac mentioned to the Board that he would be retiring the first of July.

Maine Grow Fact Sheet- Mac just wanted the board to see the requirement that we need to have a signature page to pass to the contractors for sale of the compost. At this point we are not selling to the general public, just contractors only. With contractors buying the compost, we are not short on storage for compost at this time. Approval from DEP until June of 2020.

Report from Cities/Sewer Districts

Nothing new to report from the cities.

Old Business

ACA Update- Report is sent in, drawings and specifications for the biofilter cap and closure have been sent in to DEP and approved. Travis has developed a RFP to send to contractors this winter. Some work may be done over the winter, but the clay cap will have to be later, in the spring. Job roughly \$225,000.00.

PFAS and Biosolids- Mac updated Board on NEWEA involvement on PFAS. Submitted report to DEP on our findings from the Compost Pilot Operation. Results overall have been excellent, especially in regard to no off site odor issues and high quality finished product. Waiting to hear from DEP. We are the only compost facility with digested biosolids. We have submitted a license amendment for continued operation after the pilot license expires in mid-February.

CSO-Clean Water Act Master Plan: Comments are finally in. Response from Mike Riley, wants to have a meeting. Two outstanding issues, Jepson brook-what are they going to do with it. (Fence it in?) And rather we are committed to a storage tank. Present will be ASD, LPW and LAWPCA. Will be interesting to see the levels of bypass for this year, since they have been very few and generally low volume.

2020 Budget- Norm Lamie made a motion to approve the 2020 Budget for \$4,829,295.00. A 4% increase from 2019 and including an expense contingency account for PFAS of \$140,660.00. Peter Crichton seconded and the motion passed.

Board Membership- Norm Lamie needs to be reappointed-send application to city clerk by December 27 to be reappointed by the City of Mayor. Mark Adams position is a three year term and then an additional three. Continue with an additional three.

New Business

Juniper Ridge Service Agreement- Casella has offered prices to us of \$72 per ton for spot market service for disposal of our biosolids at Juniper Ridge at an as needed basis. And \$80 per ton for everything we produce going to Juniper ridge. Mac recommend that Board to go with the \$72.00 per ton so we can continue bringing material to compost facility.

Norm Lamie made a motion to approve the \$72.00 per ton and Peter Crichton seconded and the motion passed.

Libson Property Lease- Roger Gauthier has indicated that he wants to renew the lease on the Libson Farm Property. He also indicated a desire to purchase the property. LAWPCA has been pressuring him to clean up the property. It's about 108 acres. We used it as a buffer for the compost facility. Norm mentioned with the unknown of the compost facility, it would be a good idea to keep the buffer and to extend to Gauthier another one year lease.

Solar Power- Both Cities are exploring options at this point. There are many ways LAWPCA could look at participating in this technology. Landfill has often been mentioned as an attractive site, but the land is actually owned by the city of Lewiston. We have plenty of open area around the compost facility as well. Peter Crichton will invite Derek Belonger, the developer the City is currently using, to next Board meeting to get feedback.

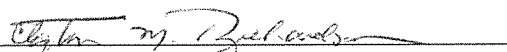
Executive Session

Peter Crichton made a motion to move to executive session pursuant to Title 1, Chapter 13: subchapter 1, Section 405 of Maine State law. Denis D'Auteuil seconded and the motion passed.

Other Business

None.

Denis D'Auteuil made a motion to adjourn. Pete Preble seconded and all approved.

Attest: 
Clayton M. Richardson, Superintendent