

**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, May 10, 2019 at 7:30 a.m. and was held at the Authority offices at 535 Lincoln St., Lewiston.

Directors Present:	Dale Doughty Norm Lamie Mike Broadbent (In place of Sid) Mark Adams Pete Preble Denis D’Auteuil (On Phone) Peter Crichton
Absent:	Sid Hazelton
Superintendent:	Clayton Richardson
Assistant Superintendent:	Travis Peaslee
Secretary:	Candace Taylor
Treasurer:	Ralph Lenfestey

Mark Adams called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

**Minutes**

Pete Preble made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 12, 2019 regular meeting. Norm Lamie seconded, all approved, and the minutes were placed on file.

**PFAS and biosolids**

A meeting with the DEP was held on Tuesday in Augusta. Representing DEP were Gerald Reid, Commissioner, Melanie Loyzim, Deputy Commissioner, Dave Burns, Acting Bureau Director Remediation and Waste Management and Carla Hopkins, Residuals Program Manager. Representing LAWPCA were Travis Peaslee, Denis D’Auteuil, Dale Doughty, Andrew Carpenter, owner of Northern Tilth, and Mac Richardson. Essentially went in requesting that the DEP suspend application of the chapter 418 screening standard to biosolids until such time as the Governor’s task force is able to develop a long-term plan for PFAS in biosolids. The DEP staff listened to our position and the information we presented, but gave no indication of any relief to the situation that LAWPCA has been put in. Mac sent DEP a letter thanking them for meeting and hard copies of what was discussed. Denis gave his review of the meeting over the phone and his thoughts were he wished they gave more feedback. We are the largest producer of biosolids still impacted negatively by the DEP PFAS policy. We were not given a timeline for a more accurate answer. Only option is to landfill at this time, which is very costly. Farms need to be tested, may be options if we are willing to test fields. Is composting still an option? We’d need to send letter to cities with a notice of increase to budget of roughly \$200,000.

Digested sludge is more costly to compost versus anaerobic sludge. If we don’t go to hayfields we will need to remove and take piles to landfills. Current production is going to Juniper Ridge landfill. LAWPCA should send a memo to city councils to keep them updated-financial impact total cost of impact.

Norm Lamie made a motion to approve LAWPCA leaving material at Aglahoma. Dale Doughty seconded and the motion passed.

(Dale left at 8:32)

### **Consent Agenda**

Peter Crichton made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Norm Lamie seconded and the motion passed.

### **Financial Reports**

Peter Crichton made a motion to approve the financial reports. Norm Lamie seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

**Procurement Items:** If the Board agrees, the LAWPCA staff recommend that the Board: Approve the award of the administration building roof repairs and process building stairwell/elevator shaft roof, to Gladu Roofing Company Inc. for an amount of \$27,000.

Norm Lamie moved to approve roofing contract with Gladu Roofing. Peter Crichton seconded and the motion passed.

Staff has solicited a proposal to replace a 20+ year old remote I/O panel with a new PLC panel, I/O modules, operator interface, and necessary PLC and SCADA programming. If the Board agrees, the LAWPCA staff recommends that the Board:

Approve the proposed Blower system Remote I/O panel Replacement to EII for an amount of \$24,570. (Amount was budgeted in 2019 for this project)

Norm Lamie moved to approve award to EII, Pete Preble seconded and the motion passed.

### **Public Questions and Comments**

There were no public questions or comments.

### **Report from Cities/Sewer Districts**

Nothing new to report.

### **Old Business**

**ACA Update-** Moving forward, just a few minor issues. PFAS issue is taking up most of the time that DEP personnel would otherwise be available to work on our ACA.

### **New Business**

**Pretreatment rules and regulations update** –The changes were at last month’s meeting where there was some concern over the magnitude of the civil and criminal fines in the updated rules. We have reached out to the State’s pretreatment coordinator, Jim Crowley, and he has indicated that he feels the civil and criminal penalties are appropriate, even a bit low. This is because if we fail to achieve our enforcement goals through administrative means, then we face increased costs for attorneys in going to either civil or criminal enforcement and the penalty for those means should be adequate to deter an industry from taking that course in order to try and stall. We have never had to resort to either of these remedies in the 31 years that Mac has been involved with the Pretreatment Program and it is unlikely that we would need to do so in the future.

Norm Lamie made a motion to accept the updated Pretreatment Rules and Regulations as presented. Pete Preble seconded and the motion passed.

**Other Business**

None.

**ADJOURN**

Norm Lamie made a motion to adjourn. Denis D'Auteuil seconded and all approved.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Clayton M Richardson, Superintendent**