

**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, November 13, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. at the Authority offices at 535 Lincoln Street Lewiston.

Directors Present:	Sid Hazelton Norm Lamie Mark Adams Steve Ness Dan Goyette
Absent:	Dale Doughty Denis D'Auteuil
General Manager:	Travis Peaslee
Assistant General Manager:	N/A
Secretary:	Candace Taylor
Treasurer:	Ralph Lenfestey

Mark Adams called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.

Minutes

Sid Hazelton made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 9, 2020 regular meeting and the October 29, 2020 special meeting. Norm Lamie seconded, all approved, and the minutes were placed on file. (Steve Ness abstained from the October 9th minutes)

Consent Agenda

Dan Goyette made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Steve Ness seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

Financial Reports

After a quick review of the financial reports, Norm Lamie made a motion to accept the Financial Reports. Dan Goyette seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

Old Business:

ACA Update- Waiting on BEP approval. It required another DEP internal review after it was signed. Travis will keep checking in on this and has requested that the DEP keep us informed as things move along from DEP to BEP.

SEP projects are complete and Mike Broadbent is in the process of compiling receipts to prove that all SEP funds were spent. LAWPC is responsible for providing the final summary and proof of expenses to the DEP.

PFAS and Biosolids- Still dropping material off at Compost Facility for transfer to Casella. Facility has been mothballed and don't anticipate much activity other than the outdoor storage and transport of solids

happening there. As far as PFAS, we are still waiting on DEP to gather additional data. Anticipate more discussion in the spring once gathered data and leaching models are evaluated.

At the October 13th meeting, the Auburn Planning Board was satisfied with the follow-up items and approved the amended agreement. The Authority now has all the approvals in place to operate the Compost Facility if needed, and also only have one single agreement with the City to maintain.

CSO-Clean Water Act Master Plan- Cost study was awarded to CDM Smith, Joe Ridge is heading the project and a kickoff meeting is scheduled for November 17th at 10:00. Sid, Mike Broadbent and Jeff Beaulé plan to participate.

Closed Sludge Landfill- First round of testing received higher PFAS results than EPA health advisory levels. Second round received results just below. LAWPCA staff worked with DEP to obtain a third results which were just received and unfortunately came back just barely over the health advisory level. At this point it seems to make sense for Travis and Dale to have another meeting with the residents to discuss the results and the next steps. Travis will schedule this meeting.

Treatment Plant Paving- Still waiting on final layer of pavement, was hoping with the warmer temps this week they would have finished up but have not seen them. Might have to wait till spring.

New Business

2021 Budget- Travis updated the benefits to show a zero increase in insurance rates. This resulted in a bottom-line reduction of 3.9% or \$186,016 from 2020 budget.

Norm Lamie made a motion to approve the 2021 Budget as presented. Dan Goyette seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

Solid Dryer RFP- The RFP for a biosolids dryer feasibility study was sent out to NORESCO, Wright Pierce, Tighe & Bond, and Brown & Caldwell. Sid, Norm and Travis used a qualification-based evaluation form to assess each proposal. The selection subcommittee recommended to award to Brown & Caldwell for a not to exceed cost of \$37,000.00.

Norm Lamie made a motion to award to Brown & Caldwell. Steve Ness seconded and the motion passed.

Capital Improvement Plan- Staff is updating the CIP but wanted to ask Board how to proceed. Board feels comfortable moving forward with a presentation of the draft at the December meeting.

Executive Session-

Norm Lamie made a motion to enter into Executive session. Dan Goyette seconded and the motion passed.

Union Agreement-

Dan Goyette made a motion to authorize the LAWPCA Board Chairman and General Manager to enter in to a 3-year agreement with Council #93, Local 1458-11 of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (ASFCME), effective January 1, 2021, and conditional upon ratification by their membership, Steve Ness seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

Auburn Property Sales Agreements

Norm Lamie made a motion to authorize the LAWPCA Board Chairman to sign the Auburn Property purchase and sale agreement and also the Farming Agreement on behalf of LAWPCA, Dan Goyette seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

Adjourn

Steve Ness made a motion to adjourn, Dan Goyette seconded, all approved, and the motion passed.

Attest: 
Travis B Peaslee, General Manager