

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 Tuesday March 17 at 8:00 am at the Authority offices at 535 Lincoln St., Lewiston. (the meeting was postponed from Friday 3/13 due to a need for a quorum that was not available on the original date)

Directors Present:                      Phil Nadeau  
                                                    Mark Adams  
                                                    Dave Jones  
                                                    Norm Lamie  
                                                    John Storer  
                                                    Pete Preble

Absent:                                      Howard Kroll

Treasurer:                                Ralph Lenfestey

Staff:                                        Mac Richardson  
                                                    Travis Peaslee

Secretary:                                Vivian Matkivich

Chairman Phil Nadeau called the meeting to order at 8:02 am.

**Minutes**

Dave Jones moved to accept the minutes of the February 13, 2015 regular meeting, Mark Adams seconded , all approved and the minutes were placed on file.

**Consent Agenda**

Pete Preble moved to accept as submitted, Dave Jones seconded, approved unanimously.

**Public Questions and Comments**

No Public Present

**Financial Reports**

Discussion on Cost Apportionment. Motion by John Storer to keep cost apportionment ratio as is (53.5% and 46.5%). 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Jones All approved.

Discussion on 2014 Surplus: Motion by Dave Jones to accept the recommendation by staff as outlined in the Board Packet. The motion will reduce the amount placed into the Reserve for Replacement Account by \$12,705 to \$112,295 and return \$55,104 to ASD and LPW Because Auburn ended the year with a deficit of \$25,546 at a yearend apportionment 53.64%/46.36%, the

end result will be a wash for ASD and the Authority will send a check to LPW of \$55,104. Seconded by John Storer, all approved.

#### **Procurement of Siloxane Removal Equipment**

Dave Jones moved and Pete Preble seconded to accept the staff recommendation to purchase equipment for the removal of siloxanes from the Authority's digester gas from Biospark Clean Energy for the low bid price of \$52,125.

#### **Anaerobic Digester Project Update**

Little to report, in the interest of time, further discussion of this item was deferred until the April meeting.

#### **Influent Force Main Project**

T-Buck has made very good progress, however due to the lead time for the valve actuators, the project will likely not be completed until sometime in May.

#### **Dewatering Equipment Replacement Project**

Although Wright-Pierce and the Authority staff are making good progress, we currently expect the project to be completed in the first quarter of next year which is a bit later than the goal of the end of this year.

#### **Penley Corner Road Property Sub-Committee**

The sub-committee had planned to meet after the Board Meeting (Friday), but due the postponement, Mac will contact the members and schedule a new date after consulting with Howard's assistant, Karen Veilleux.

#### **CSO Master Plan Update**

We have sent word to the City of Lewiston that the Authority is committed to the scope of services and work to be done by CDM Smith. On a side note the Authority continues to see a reduction in storm and runoff flow influenced flows from Lewiston – likely as a result of the work done on the Hart Brook interceptor.

#### **Bond Authorization**

Discussion: The Maine Municipal Bond Bank is scheduled to meet on March 25, although there is a possibility the meeting will be postponed to the 31<sup>st</sup> due to an illness by one of the Board Members. Staff is requesting two votes as recommended by our Bond counsel, Shana Mueller ) of Bernstein-Shur. The first authorizes the Board Chair, Treasurer, and Clerk of the Authority to execute the Bond documents for a \$3,000,000.00 loan through the State Revolving Loan fund at an interest rate of 1% or less. Dave Jones made this motion, John Storer provided a second and the motion passed unanimously. The second motion, a declaration of intent, allows the Authority to reimburse our operating accounts for money that has been spent on the projects (dewatering improvements, siloxane removal equipment and gravity thickener drive replacements) from the Bond proceeds. A motion was made by Dave Jones to approve the declaration of intent as provided in the Board packet and seconded by Pete Preble, all vote in favor.

Discussion regarding Board member terms and appointments: The Auburn Sewerage District Board of Trustees will be discussing tonight a plan to ask LAWPCA to change its charter to allow an Auburn resident served by the ASD trustee other than the President of the ASD to serve on LAWPCA Board. May be emergency legislation. Phil advised that ASD provide written proposed language for a Board vote, which may be by telephone. Dave is off for two weeks soon, but he may be reached for the vote by cell phone.

Dave noted that the City of Lewiston will have an MS4 Stormwater Program audit with Maine DEP and the EPA, starting April 15, 2015.

Motion to adjourn by Norm Lamie, seconded by mark Adams, all approved. Meeting closed at 8:30 am.