

Schuylerville/Victory Board of Water Management
Regular Board meeting
August 8, 2011

The Schuylerville/Victory Board of Water Management held a meeting on Monday, August 8, 2011 at 7pm in the Village of Victory.

Present: Chairman Sullivan, Commissioners Lloyd & Miers & newly appointed Commissioner Dan McCabe. Secretary/Treasurer Brenda Buchanan, Chief Water Operator Mark Dennison.

Chairman Sullivan opened the meeting.

Board announcements:

The meeting for September will be Monday, Sept. 12th in Schuylerville at 7pm. Cross Connection Control meeting at 6:30pm, Monday, September 12th, 2011.

Minutes:

Commissioner Lloyd made a motion to adopt the meeting minutes from July 11, 2011 and it was seconded by Commissioner Miers, all ayes, motion passed.

Treasurer report:

Balances were read as of July 31, 2011.

Short term CD's and savings account interest rates were also discussed.

Commissioner Miers made a motion to accept the July treasurers report and it was seconded by Commissioner Lloyd, all ayes, motion passed.

Chief Water Operator's Report:

See attached.

There was a discussion on the damaged portable pump. CWO Dennison stated that it is unable to be repaired and they are in need to purchase new parts for this pump. The total cost is \$750.12.

Commissioner Lloyd made a motion to approve the purchase of the parts for the portable pump at a cost of \$750.12, it was seconded by Commissioner Miers, all ayes, motion passed.

Old Business:

Water Tank:

Chairman Sullivan explained that CT Male provided a proposal for the grant writing for the storage tank, which is the same proposal from October 2010. This would include using the 2004 information from Laberge that they gathered when we applied previously.

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Commissioner Miers stated he would like to see alternatives to the tank. With meters we might not need additional storage because consumption will decrease. Financially it is feasible to do meters first and then the tank after. Chair Sullivan stated that he was with understanding the tank is more important. Commissioner McCabe asked if is beyond its usable life. It was stated that it is 31 years old. Chair Sullivan stated that they had problems with the pour and concrete joints, when it was originally put up and it is actually leaking now. It was noted to be in fair condition, two years ago, which was before leak was developed. The option of lining the tank was discussed. Commissioner Miers asked if we were at the critical capacity. CWO stated that we are required to have twice the amount of usage. We are at the limit. Some days we are short of the minimum. Commissioner Lloyd stated he had one meeting with them and they would like to see all options explored. Possibly lower in height and bigger in diameter. It was discussed that we would need more pumps and not in the same area, more cost and maintenance. Commissioner Miers asked about other alternatives and the time frame. Backup was discussed, DOH approved the plan for emergency usage that was presented to them for the Reservoir. CWO Dennison stated it would required a vault be put in. CWO Dennison stated he would get everyone a copy of the last report that was done on the tank for the next meting. Commissioner Miers also asked for the 2004 engineering report from Laberge.

Chairman Sullivan asked the board if we want to move forward to replace tank?? It was discussed getting the tank o evaluated, along with estimation on its life span.

Commissioner Miers made a motion to include the feasibility study of the tank as part of the package in the amount of \$6500 as part of the grant writing process with CT Male and it was seconded by Commissioner Lloyd, all ayes, motion passed.

New Business:

The dates of the meetings were discussed. It was determined to have the meeting nights changed to be the 1st Wednesday of each month, starting on September 7th in Schuylerville at 6:30 for the Cross Connection meeting. The regular meeting to follow at 7pm.

Commissioner Miers stated that the Village of Schuylerville will be doing some paving and asked the board if they would be willing to pay for 26% of Reds road to b paved. Chairman Sullivan stated that there is no precedence for village paving projects. We do repave when we need to because of a new repair. That road was open due to culvert work, we did our work at the same time the road was open.

Water Meters:

none

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Public comment:

Gail Blake- Ms. Blake read a letter from DOH from August 2010 in regards to the storage tank. It stated that they recommend a new tank. She asked the new commissioner to see the Village of Schuylerville for the guidelines for a commissioner that the board created and asked the villages to distribute. She stated that the periodic review of the inter municipal agreement was to include the attendance of the Chairperson, Mayor, a trustee, superintendent of public work, Village Treasurer, and Village attorneys. Not just the Mayors or the Village Boards.

Heather Steele- Ms. Steele stated that it was nice to come to a meeting and see things getting done. Ms. Steele asked when did Schuylerville appoint the new Commissioner. Commissioner Miers stated he would like this question addressed with the Mayor. It was stated that there was no public advertised meeting.

Pat Pierce- Ms. Pierce asked would this be a new tank or repairing old, and if new then no repairing old. It was stated that the old tank would be taken down.

Leslie Dennison- Ms. Dennison asked if Schuylerville had any plans on paving the road to the water plant. Commissioner Miers stated no, not with this project. She also asked about the Subway building plans. With the plans was there an application for water lines. No answer.

Wendy Lukas- Ms. Lukas stated that as far as she knows that there is not just one building for the Subway. She also stated that there was a public meeting for Schuylerville last Thursday at 9:30. She also asked if there was any written documentation that DOH was in favor of the emergency plan. She also asked where we were with the aud's. She also asked if the capital reserve account was ever opened that was discussed previously. It was stated that the aud's are in the hands of the accounts and the first year is nearly done. The capital reserve was never opened due to wording.

Commissioner Lloyd made a motion to approve Abstract #3 and it was seconded by Commissioner Miers, all ayes, motion passed.

Commissioner Lloyd made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Miers, all ayes, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda S. Buchanan
S/V BOWM, Secretary