

February 18, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Yorkville Sewer Utility was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Peter L. Hansen in the Yorkville Board Room, 925 15th Avenue, Union Grove. Present were President Hansen, Commissioners Gruhn, McMahon, Johnson, Robers, Engineer Madsen, Attorney Pruitt and the Clerk-Treasurer. Absent was Utilities Manager Hanson.

Minutes of the January 15, 2013 meeting were approved as printed on a motion from Commissioner Robers and second by Commissioner Johnson. Motion carried.

The financial report was approved as printed on a motion from Commissioner McMahon, second by Commissioner Johnson and the motion carried.

Invoices in the amount of \$32,030.13 were approved for payment as listed on a motion from Commissioner Gruhn, second by Commissioner Johnson and the motion carried.

Nick Nogalski of Merz Aesthetics was present along with his request for an increased discharge to our wastewater treatment facility serving Sewer Utility District No. 1 of the Town of Yorkville. Attorney Pruitt told of the numerous conversations between himself, Utilities Manager Hanson and Nogalski of Merz to finalize the permit as it is now written. Each commission member has received a copy of the permit allowing a 3500 gallon limit per day with anything above that number being sent to a holding tank. There were effluent limits on the industrial process water with such being listed in the permit according to Attorney Pruitt. Nogalski commented his company is satisfied and happy with the new permit. He questioned compliance date saying they need to order a flowmeter and sampler plus install them. The permit shall be issued by Utility Manager Hanson when all conditions are met by Merz. Commissioner Gruhn moved to approve the Merz Aesthetics agreement as presented effective April 16, 2013 based upon approval by our Utilities Manager. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion which then carried.

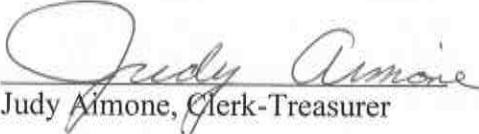
Attorney Pruitt then turned to the discharge permit reissuance and his attendance today with the DNR representatives and Attorney Paul Kent, Jay Kemp and Utilities Manager Hanson. It was a very good meeting according to Pruitt. Discussion followed with DNR Tim Thompson and Jackie who told of data behind our present permit. Issues of zinc were talked of and noted that rather a hard zinc limit due to variances in samples; they ask us to investigate the zinc spikes. We are not sure what causes these spikes and we need to push the limit for data on the cause. Pruitt also talked of phosphorus levels and the need to establish an interim limit with a goal to get down to 0.75 by giving us two years to determine the limit. Utilities Manager Hanson has a ten year list of samples that data will be given to those needing to see them. Attorney Kent is looking at a test case on the DNR's right to put phosphate limits going downstream and the impact and limits needed. The next couple of months will be spent "crunching" numbers according to Pruitt giving us time to decide if we want a contested hearing. Pruitt told of the DNR seemingly working with us. The chloride issue is a critical one with the road salt being stored and trucks loading near our facility causing high levels which show a higher level in winter and lower the rest of the year. We need to choose when to do our chloride samples more carefully and with discretion as the report is due the end of each month. Pruitt announced we are

in a holding pattern now with the DNR and they seem willing to work with us.

Utility Manager Hanson reports recent conversations with the Mike Lakic relative to the sewer main break at 910 S. Sylvania Avenue. A letter giving him ten days to hire a qualified contractor to repair and/or replace the leaking lateral within ten days of receipt of our building inspector's letter to that effect. Hanson will once again address this issue when returning on Friday according to the conversation with the Town Clerk. President Hansen moved to receive and file the written report on the sewer utility from Utilities Manager Hanson. Commissioner McMahon seconded the motion.

Engineer Madsen presented new figures to be used in the upcoming sewer rate increase with the clerk working along with his office in noticing the new rates etc.

With no further business to come before the meeting, Commissioner Johnson moved to adjourn, second by Commissioner McMahon. Motion carried. President Hansen then adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM.


Judy Aimone, Clerk-Treasurer