# 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 Thursday June 10, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. at the Authority offices at 535 Lincoln Street Lewiston.

Directors Present: Sid Hazelton

Norm Lamie Mark Adams Denis D' Auteuil Dan Goyette Dale Doughty

Absent: Steve Ness

General Manager: Travis Peaslee

Assistant General Manager: Paula Drouin

Secretary: Paula Drouin

Treasurer: Ralph Lenfestey

Mark Adams called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m.

#### **Minutes**

Dan Goyette made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 14, 2021 regular meeting. Denis D' Auteuil seconded, all approved and the minutes were placed on file.

# Consent Agenda

Travis Peaslee reported that the cogen top end overhauls were nearly completed the week of May 17<sup>th</sup>; however, a few more damaged items were discovered that needed to be ordered. Lima Company will be back on site to complete the repairs as soon as the repair items are procured.

Sid Hazleton made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Denis D'Auteuil seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

## Financial Reports

After a quick review of the financial reports, Denis D'Auteuil made a motion to accept them, Dan Goyette seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

Cost Apportionment – After a brief discussion, Dan Goyette made a motion to set third quarter cost apportionment at 66 Lewiston/ 34 Auburn. Denis D' Auteuil seconded, all approved and the motion passed.

#### 2020 Draft Audit

Travis Peaslee reported that moving forward (2022) we will change how we budget quasi capital to only carry fixed assets so it will be clearer. The final audit will be discussed when it is available. Re: General ledger reconciliation, Travis Peaslee reported that the new practice with the current auditors is monthly reconciliation.

Motion to move the 2020 surplus of \$311,530 to Reserve for Replacement by Norm Lamie, seconded by Denis D'Auteuil, all approved and the motion passed.

# General Manager Report

Travis Peaslee reported that the two vacant mechanic positions have been filled.

#### **Old Business**

# Biosolids & PFAS Management:

Travis Peaslee reported that material was land applied last month on to the fields behind the Compost Facility and then to the Barker farm. Looking forward, material is typically brought to the Libson Farm in July/August. This can be discussed at the next board meeting. The other two farms are typically delivered in late August- early October.

Jeff McBurnie of Casella who is well versed with PFAS and land application and was a member of the Governor's PFAS task force, has been invited to attend the July board meeting.

The Board requested that Travis continue to pull together historical PFAS information, including farm application data and current LAWPCA testing results. A comment was made to include potential issues and acknowledgement of them, at minimum.

Travis Peaslee reported that Carla Hopkins is no longer the point of contact for PFAS, Jim Pollack is the interim until a new person is appointed.

Travis Peaslee reported that PFAS bill, LD 1600, proposing to charge \$10/ton on wastewater sludge disposal to pay for PFAS testing in soils and groundwater was voted ought to pass out of the ENR committee.

Travis Peaslee reported that Brown and Caldwell were awarded the 30% design (re: belt dryer project); however have not been given notice to proceed. They will first perform a waste heat/CHP utilization study in order to better define the dryer basis of design.

#### CSO Update:

Travis Peaslee reported that CDM Smith submitted their final memo on April 6<sup>th</sup> highlighting their recommended method for allocating the CSO tank cost based on a wet weather flow only model. At the August board meeting there will be a vote to accept the model. Ralph Lenfesty needs to weigh in on

August board meeting there will be a vote to accept the model. Ralph Lenfesty will look in to how Lewiston bond funds to cover these design costs should be handled and report back.

Travis Peaslee reported that the five CSO tank conceptual design proposals received were reviewed by the subcommittee and it was decided to shortlist and interview AECOM, CDM Smith, and Woodard & Curran. The interviews are scheduled in-person at LAWPCA on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Interview questions have been sent to the three teams, and each is allotted 1-hour. After the interviews, the subcommittee will meet in order to develop a recommendation of award which will be presented at the July board meeting.

<u>Auburn Property Sales:</u> Norm Lamie reported that the purchase & sales agreement has been signed and the required deposit was paid. The buyers have until December 31, 2021 to complete payment.

<u>Closed Landfill Ownership</u>: Travis Peaslee reported that the landfill is waiting for a new Superintendent and this will be addressed after that position is filled.

# New Business

Norm Lamie reported that Travis spoke at the Lewiston Rotary breakfast this week and it was well received.

#### Adjourn

Dan Goyette made a motion to adjourn, Norm Lamie seconded.

Attest

Travis B. Peaslee, General Manager