

AGENDA

THE SEWER BOARD MEETING OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WILL BE HELD VIA ZOOM.COM ON THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021 AT 9:15 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OR CORRECTION OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:

March 25, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

BIDS/CONTRACTS:

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC:

COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:

SEWER ADJUSTMENTS:

FINANCIAL REPORT:

TABLED ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Clark Dietz

UTILITY REPORT:

CLAIMS:

ADJOURN:

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PRESENT: Ed Wilkinson, member, Nathan Grimes, member and Mayor Gahan, President.

ALSO PRESENT: Eric Condon, Linda Moeller, Mary Austin, Rob Sartell, Larry Summers and Mindy Milburn

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gahan called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OR CORRECTION OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:

Mr. Grimes moved to approve the March 11, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes, Mr. Wilkinson second, all voted in favor.

BIDS/CONTRACTS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Rob Sartell re: Quote for Mt. Tabor LS – PUMP #4 – FLYGT REPAIR

Mr. Sartell presented a quote for a pump repair at the Mt. Tabor Lift Station from FLYGT in the amount of \$32,919.00.

Mr. Grimes asked if they take it out and back to their facility to fix

Mr. Sartell replied yes.

Mr. Grimes asked if this quote includes travel charges

Mr. Sartell replied yes

Mr. Wilkinson asked if this is the same pump that they had the vibration issues with when they first started the station.

Mr. Sartell stated that it is the same pump and explained that the propeller and scaler has gone bad

Mr. Grimes asked what a new pump costs

Mr. Sartell stated that they paid ~ \$106,000.00 8 years ago so it would be significantly more.

Mr. Grimes moved to approve, Mr. Wilkinson second, all voted in favor

COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC:

COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:

Mr. Sartell reported that they received a letter from Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) to inform the City that they are lifting the sewer ban that was put in place in 1991 that does away with the sewer credit system.

Mayor Gahan asked Ms. Milburn to read the letter into the record.

Ms. Milburn read the letter from IDEM signed by Jason House, Chief Compliance and Enforcement Branch Office of Water Quality into the record. Said letter is on file with the City Clerk's office.

Mayor Gahan thanked the Sewer Board members for what they do every single day because this is a really big deal and he can't wait to announce it to the public. He stated that this is a huge step for the City and thanked Mr. Sartell, Mr. Summers and Clark Dietz. He added he is sure Mr. Christmas would have loved to have been here for this announcement but he did say that he has never seen a city come out from one of these things.

Larry Summers stated that this is a momentous occasion for the City of New Albany as it has constrained the City's ability to grow and move forward. He added that the potential to have this Consent Decree removed puts them ahead of many of the surrounding cities who are going to have to spend a lot of money to get to where New Albany is today.

Ed Wilkinson reported that for the last three weeks has been watching the surrounding cities and observed that Sellersburg's estimate is ~ \$25M, Charlestown is at ~\$25-30M with both of them running at about 90% capacity, and Jeffersonville is estimating ~ \$50-75M in construction work with ~ \$90M indebtedness in the sewer department. He added that they are all talking about raising rates in the 50% bracket so he is happy to say that New Albany has done their duty, made the necessary repairs and the performance of all those repairs during the last ten years has been notably successful. He stated that they had a plan, worked the plan and while it wasn't always 100% acceptable to those on the edges, progress is progress. He added that this is a giant step in the right direction for the City to be able take on any new customer and any size customer with the plant operating at 50-60% capacity, so he feels really good about the next ten years.

Rob Sartell stated that they are in a very good position and thanked the men and women that have served in his department over the last 30 years because they are the unsung heroes that got us to this point.

Mary Austin, Clark Dietz, stated that in 25 years of being in this business New Albany is the first city she has worked with that has gotten out from under one of these sewer bans. She commended those working so diligently for the last 30 years because this is a major accomplishment and the city should be very proud.

Nathan Grimes stated that he has never heard of a city being released from this either and it a huge deal as infrastructure is what allows them to take care of the residents and businesses. He added that he appreciates everyone involved because it took a huge effort.

Linda Moeller stated that this is fantastic news for the City as it will make the community better, knowing that sewage and drainage is performing at the best capacity and that they are surrounded by good people doing good work. She added that it is a good day for New Albany

Mr. Wilkinson added that drainage and wastewater are tied together on so many project so they had to work together. He stated that Mr. Sartell and Mr. Gardner have done a fantastic job in the management of their crews on these projects as they are very complicated and intense so you have to be on your toes.

Mayor Gahan stated that investment in to storm water during his time in office has been ~ \$33-34M which is a big number regardless of city size. He added that they had a credible plan that was executed through a lot of hard work and diligence. He thanked Mr. Gibson and the legal department for the tremendous amount of work that went into this as well.

Mr. Grimes stated that from a marketing standpoint for the City this is about as big a deal as one could have to entice other companies to come in. He asked

SEWER ADJUSTMENTS:

Mr. Condon presented a sewer adjustment request for So. Indiana Comm. Housing in the amount of \$2,302.72 for a leak in the kitchen under the sink. He explained that the water went under the kitchen floor and into the crawl space and NAHA fixed the leak. He added that IN-AWC has since retired this line and the house at the location is schedule for demolition.

Mr. Grimes moved to approve, Mr. Wilkinson second, all voted in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Wilkinson reported that the billing for month is \$1.1M and everything else remained the same.

TABLED ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Clark Dietz

- o Basin 13 Life Station Conversion – Recommendation

Ms. Austin explained that bids for the Basin 13 Lift Station Conversion Project were opened on March 11 with only one bid from E-Z Construction in the amount of \$315,965.00. She stated that the bid has been reviewed and found to be both responsive/responsible and they have received all of the documents for them to continue on so they would recommend approval.

Mr. Grimes asked if legal has reviewed this.

Ms. Austin stated that she isn't sure if Mr. Gibson has looked at it

Mr. Sartell stated that to the best of his knowledge he has

Mr. Grimes moved to approve contingent upon confirming review by legal, Wilkinson second, all voted in favor.

Mayor Gahan thanked Wes Christmas and Clark Dietz for all of their hard work keeping the City on track to be able to come out from under the IDEM sewer ban.

UTILITY REPORT:

Mr. Sartell reported on the New Albany Wastewater Utility Monthly Report Summary for January 2021:

Influent / Effluent Quality

The treatment plant had excursions for TSS weekly Mg/L and weekly and monthly lbs dur to a rain event on the 26th.

Pretreatment

There were 37 grease trap inspections submitted.

Change the frequency for the testing of TSS at Versa Designed Surfaces from daily to weekly.

Facility Operations

68 dry tons of bio solids were removed from the WWTP.

The WWTP was at 38% of its Total Suspended Solids design limit and at 34% of its CBOD design limit.

There were 3.55 inches of rain for the month

Preventative and Unscheduled Maintenance

226 preventative work orders were completed and 14 corrective work orders were completed for the WWTP and Lift Stations

Highlights

Tightened the motor to pump coupling on the #7 Return Activated Sludge Pump.
 Cleaned rags out of the check valve of the #1 Drainage Pump.
 Rebuilt Back Flow Preventers in the #050 Administration and #060 Lab Buildings.
 Topped off Generators with diesel fuel at Mt. Tabor and Basin #14 Lift Stations.
 Performed annual service on the #420 Motor Control Center. Checked for tightness, hot spots and dust.

Sanitary Collection System

<i>Project</i>		<i>Current Month</i>		<i>Year-to-Date</i>	
<i>Sanitary Sewer Flushed/ft</i>		<i>19,234</i>		<i>19,234</i>	
<i>Sanitary Sewer Televised/ft.</i>		<i>10,728</i>		<i>10,728</i>	
<i>CIPP Installed/ft</i>		<i>0</i>		<i>0</i>	
<i>Tap Inspections</i>		<i>16</i>		<i>16</i>	
<i>Locates</i>		<i>554</i>		<i>554</i>	
<i>Pipe Patches</i>		<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>	
<i>Service Requests</i>	<i>Odor Complaint</i>	<i>Main Block</i>	<i>Resident Problem</i>	<i>Dye Test</i>	<i>Emergency Locates</i>
<i>32</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>6</i>

Sanitary Sewer Overflow Monitoring

There was 1 rain event that required Stantec monitoring. There were no overflows reported.

Preventative and Unscheduled Maintenance

32 preventative work orders were completed and 17 corrective work orders were issued for the Collection System.

Construction Highlights

# Manhole Repairs	#Manhole Installations	#Pipe Patches
6	0	1
#Main Line Repairs	#Lateral Repairs	Easement Maintenance
3	1	4

Annual/Semi Annual, Monthly Routine and Preventative Sewer Cleaning

The Line in the alley serving the Exchange, Parlour Pizza and the Hitching Post. FOG management.

Scheduled Preventative Maintenance

Basin #6 – Market St.	Basin #6 – MH’s 18-18A to 19	Basin #22 -Linda Dr.
Basin #22 – MH# 9 to 10	Basin #34 – Blackiston Mill Rd.	Basin #19 –
MH# 151A2 to 151A	Basin #11 – Griffin St.	

Chemical Root Treatment

Basin #18 – MH 5JCO to 5J

Monthly Routine Cleaning and CCTV

Basin #4 – 1,191 ft.	Basin #6 - 335ft.	Basin #7 – 2,077ft.	Basin #9 – 320ft.
Basin #13 - 207ft.	Basin #16 - 183ft.	Basin #18 – 83ft	Basin #19 – 45ft.

Basin #20 – 380ft. Basin #21 – 3,774ft. Basin #28 – 312ft. Basin #30 – 2,876ft.
 Basin #32 – 1,514ft. Basin #40 – 172ft.

Facility Safety

The monthly safety inspection rating was 98.44%. Safety training covered Slips, Trips and Falls.

Projects

Reline New Albany

No lining in January

Up Hill Run Lift Station

Preliminary design work is at 90%. Land aquisition has been achieved

Silver Hills Slope Project/Dent Ave. Lift Station

Project has exceeded the Substantial Completion Date. The Dent Ave Lift Station has not passed inspection.

Basin #13 Lift Station

Bids were advertised.

CLAIMS:

Mrs. Moeller presented the Sewer Claims Docket from 3/11/21-3/24/21 in the amount of \$98,710.67

Sewer Claims	Amount	Dept
OFFICE SUPPLY COMPANY, INC	233.33	SEW
FLOYD COUNTY RECORDER	1,250.00	SEW
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SALVATION ARMY	1,018.56	SEW
L&D MAILMASTERS, INC.	1,378.32	SEW
L&D MAILMASTERS, INC.	225.96	SEW
CROWN SERVICES INC	960.00	SEW
CROWN SERVICES INC	360.00	SEW
SECURITY PROS, I.L.C	62.00	SEW
CK REAL ESTATE LLC	2,979.16	SEW
CK REAL ESTATE LLC	541.66	SEW
HUGHES,CARMEN - ATLAS CLEANING	560.00	SEW
MUGLER, MALLORIE	38.40	SEW
WILSON, SHAARON	23.04	SEW
MOTE, DAVID	35.16	SEW
BYRD, PHILLIP	19.64	SEW
HANCOCK, GLFNN	41.90	SEW
BRISCOE, SARA	38.68	SEW
BRISCOE, SARA	82.28	SEW
ANNA PROPERTIES, I.L.C.	178.88	SEW
JEFFERSONVILLE RESIDENTIAL,LLC	172.56	SEW
JEFFERSONVILLE RESIDENTIAL,LLC	43.70	SEW
	Total	
	11,493.23	
ACE HARDWARE	14.99	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	41.96	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	29.98	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	25.34	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	51.95	WWTP

ACE HARDWARE	4.99	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	7.55	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	45.95	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	23.22	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	21.48	WWTP
ACE HARDWARE	1.19	WWTP
NEWS AND TRIBUNE	222.14	WWTP
FED EX	77.44	WWTP
FED EX	47.98	WWTP
MURPHY ELEVATOR COMPANY, INC.	168.46	WWTP
CLARK-FLOYD LANDFILL LLC.	11,364.30	WWTP
CLARK-FLOYD LANDFILL LLC.	15,541.60	WWTP
CINTAS #302	88.76	WWTP
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CINTAS #302	84.76	WWTP
CLARK-DIETZ	1,600.00	WWTP
CLARK-DIETZ	6,400.00	WWTP
CULLIGAN WATER SYSTEMS	80.00	WWTP
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ORR SAFETY EQUIPMENT CO.	763.83	WWTP
ORR SAFETY EQUIPMENT CO.	3,020.21	WWTP
RED WINGS SHOE STORE	220.98	WWTP
BYRNE'S GARAGE INC.	116.40	WWTP
FRAKES ENGINEERING	4,262.00	WWTP
USA BLUE BOOK	218.98	WWTP
USA BLUE BOOK	1,613.25	WWTP
GRIPP, INC.	7,150.34	WWTP
GRIPP, INC.	705.00	WWTP
METRO ANSWERING SERVICE	149.70	WWTP
EYE-TRONICS	667.31	WWTP
HOME DEPOT	62.86	WWTP
AIRGAS-MID AMERICA	147.80	WWTP
RIVER CITY WORK WEAR	720.00	WWTP
RIVER CITY WORK WEAR	103.96	WWTP
NCL OF WISCONSIN INC	83.13	WWTP
NCL OF WISCONSIN INC	231.91	WWTP
HACH COMPANY	364.58	WWTP
ECO-TECII, LLC-WASTE LOGISTICS	425.28	WWTP
ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	30.00	WWTP
ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	30.00	WWTP
ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	225.00	WWTP
ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	150.00	WWTP
ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	30.00	WWTP
STRAEFFER PUMP & SUPPLY, INC	380.10	WWTP
ELEMENT MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY	23.80	WWTP
NAPA OF NEW ALBANY	40.10	WWTP
NAPA OF NEW ALBANY	153.79	WWTP
NAPA OF NEW ALBANY	(18.00)	WWTP
NAPA OF NEW ALBANY	30.29	WWTP
SOURCE 1 ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC	5,700.00	WWTP
GOTTA GO INC.	1,869.00	WWTP
GOTTA GO INC.	801.00	WWTP
COVERALL SERVICE COMPANY	1,075.00	WWTP
NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD	100.00	WWTP

SCHWALM USA LLC	260.00	WWTP
ACTION EQUIPMENT SALES CO, INC	220.50	WWTP
VERIZON CONNECT MWF, INC.	253.66	WWTP
WESTERN FIRST AID & SAFTEY	94.35	WWTP
WESTERN FIRST AID & SAFTEY	226.74	WWTP
DEMING,MALONE,LIVESAY & OSTROF	1,400.00	WWTP
BOYD COMPANY	869.70	WWTP

Total 71,085.35

INDIANA AMERICAN WATER	711.33	TU
GIBSON LAW OFFICE, LLC	690.53	TU
SILVER CREEK WATER	17.03	TU
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SILVER CREEK WATER	57.35	TU
SILVER CREEK WATER	15.40	TU
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CLARK CO. REMC	130.57	TU
CLARK CO. REMC	195.33	TU
CLARK CO. REMC	355.98	TU
CLARK CO. REMC	139.74	TU
CLARK CO. REMC	135.08	TU
HARRISON CO. REMC	449.77	TU
HARRISON CO. REMC	90.03	TU
HARRISON CO. REMC	40.94	TU
AMERICAN WATER	1,650.00	TU
AT&T	67.24	TU
EDWARDSVILLE WATER CO.	17.00	TU
DUKE ENERGY	827.31	TU
DUKE ENERGY	69.92	TU
DUKE ENERGY	686.51	TU
DUKE ENERGY	252.47	TU
CROWN SERVICES INC	600.00	TU
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY	2,187.50	TU
SPECTRUM BUSINESS	88.83	TU
SPECTRUM BUSINESS	240.95	TU
SPECTRUM BUSINESS	128.29	TU
GIBSON LAW OFFICE, LLC	601.43	TU
SILVER CREEK WATER	1,327.60	TU
VERIZON WIRELESS	2,256.37	TU
DUKE ENERGY	472.91	TU
SPECTRUM BUSINESS	1,543.53	TU

Total 16,132.09

Grand Total 98,710.67

Mr. Wilkinson moved to approve as presented, Mr. Grimes second, all voted in favor.

Mr. Grimes stated that it seems to him that the invoices have been less and asked if that is something Mrs. Moeller had noticed as well.

Mrs. Moeller stated that she would have to look at the numbers but she can and let him know.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that everything is remaining stable and normally they expect expenses to go up but it has been slightly under.

Mr. Grimes noted that construction costs are so expensive right now so to see expenses slightly under is impressive. He stated that this indicates that everyone is doing their job well and he really appreciates the hard work.

Mayor Gahan stated that this is a really big day and any time they hit a bench mark like they hit today it is cause for celebration.

Mr. Grimes asked if he knows how many previous mayors have tried to get this done.

Mayor Gahan stated that it isn't many and he hears conversations a lot of times where they feel like they have done a good job but every time they get close it seems like something gets added. He explained that after they made the request they had a phone call last week and he fully expecting to say "close" but they did say that just because New Albany is at this point it doesn't mean to put utility on auto. They said that they have to keep this up, stay on top of it, and they can't cut corners. He added that they are a very dedicated group of people that have everyone's best interest in mind but in his email chains there are a lot of mayors out there that are discouraged.

Mr. Grimes asked how many mayors have been in New Albany since 91 that have tried to get out from under this and added that it has to be a big weight off his shoulders to see it come to fruition.

Mayor Gahan stated that this has been going on for a long time and each mayor had a different way of approaching the issue, but they were all committed to the end goal so he has to thank all of them as well for not surrendering. He acknowledged the support and knowledge of this board and thanked them for their support in the investment into New Albany because not all cities have support and New Albany is very lucky.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

Mayor Gahan, President

Mindy Milburn, Deputy City Clerk