

RUMFORD-MEXICO SEWERAGE DISTRICT TRUSTEE
MEETING
March 6, 2024

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Gautreau at 5:56 PM.
2. Present: Supt. Arsenault, Robinson, Gautreau, Palmer, Ulmer, Stewart, Daigle. Absent: Blais.
3. Previous Minutes: Motion by Daigle, seconded by Robinson to accept the minutes of February 7, 2024, as written. Motion passed.
4. Personnel:
 - a. N/A.
5. Finance:
 - a. Septage: Received \$3770.00. in February; with a year-to-date total of \$8647.50. Note: there was an error in the January report which should have been \$4877.50.
 - b. Current Operating Budget: February facility numbers were below budget.
 - c. Casella Sludge Hauling Contract discussion – still waiting on PretiFlaherty final comments.
 - d. FEMA Disaster Relief May 1, 2023, Event: The River Road project was denied by FEMA due to a lack of maintenance prior to the event. The Falls Hill project was approved and finalized the week of February 26th.
 - e. MEMA/Oxford County EMA: The disaster relief for the December 2023. The generator will be delivered in May and installed summer of 2024.
 - f. Capital Project Update: having weekly meetings and will be moving to the 90% engineering phase by April 2024.
6. Legal:
 - a. Above Ground Fuel Storage tanks: The equipment garage tank was eliminated, the tank ordered for Rumford Point will now be installed for the Main Plant generator and the Falls Hill tank is on schedule. St. Germain Environmental Engineering is performing the permitting for the tanks, and hopes to utilize pre-existing tank citing location for the Main Plant and Falls Hill location to avoid regulatory review/approval delays.
7. Operations:
 - a. Current Compliance: The main plant violated the BOD removal for February, incurred four (4) weekly BOD conc. violations, eleven (11) daily max. BOD conc. violations and one (1) monthly BOD conc. violation stemming from nitrification caused from excessive high flows from flooding and I/I rain events.
 - b. Sludge Disposal: Casella has submitted a new contract. Preti-Flaherty is re viewing it. We are waiting for Casella's to acquire a New Hampshire approval. If denied, we will see a \$60/ton price increase immediately.
 - c. Rumford Point Plant experienced three (3) permit violations for BOD conc. as follows: one (1) daily max. BOD conc., one (1) monthly BOD conc. average and one (1) weekly BOD max. conc. The system was recovering from the Dec 23/Jan 24 rain events and has been running better since the first week of February.
 - d. Pump Station Systems:
 1. Dix Avenue is running good.
 2. Falls Hill has pump issues and some plugging.
 3. South Rumford: Had some electrical issues with the alarm system and SKATA system. The issues have been addressed.
 4. Collection System Inspection: The system will have additional camera work done this year.
8. Buildings: N/A
9. Other Business: N/A
10. Adjournment: Motion by Palmer, seconded by Robinson to adjourn at 6:59 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland Arsenault for John S. Blais,
Clerk

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