

RUMFORD-MEXICO SEWERAGE DISTRICT  
TRUSTEE MEETING  
October 1, 2025

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Gautreau at 5:55 PM.
2. Board members present: Supt. Arsenault, Assistant Supt. Desroches, Blais, Palmer, Daigle, Robinson, Gautreau, Stewart, Flynn
3. Previous Meeting Minutes:  
Motion by Palmer, seconded by Stewart to accept the previous minutes as amended to change the date of the meeting to 9/3/25. Motion passed.
4. Personnel:
  - a) Trustee Absence Discussion: All Trustees must attend 2/3 of the yearly meetings. If more than 2/3rds of the monthly meetings occurs, the Board will determine the next steps in subsequent personnel discussion.
5. Finance:
  - a) Septage Receiving: Received \$25,384.50 in September. Year to date: \$145,047.75.
  - b) Current Operating Budget: We will have some expenses coming up pertaining to manhole work and insulation work.
  - c) Androscoggin BAN Update: The BAN cannot be paid with Rural Development money upon expiration in February 2026. RMSD is solely responsible for this debt.
  - d) USDA Rural Development Update Main Plant: We applied for more money but was declined resulting in the need to break the project into two separate smaller projects. This was to facilitate spending of grant monies set to expire in 2026 before we lose it. There will be a strategy meeting late October.
  - e) Dix Avenue Flood Insurance Quotes: Motion by Palmer, seconded by Blais, to accept the flood insurance quote from Selective Insurance Company of New York for a premium of \$12,580. Motion passed unanimously.
  - f) Insurance Quotes: Motion by Robinson, seconded by Stewart to allow Supt. Arsenault and Asst. Supt. Desroches to select one of the two quotes for property insurance. Motion passed unanimously.
  - g) Draft for 2026 Budget: The 2026 budget looks good. It will be discussed and finalized at the November meeting.
  - h) Capital Project - Dix Avenue : the electrical contractor for T. Buck Construction requested we replace the AB&B specified load center with a Toshiba load center. Being evaluated.
6. Legal: N/A
7. Operations: Current compliance of operating permits.
  - a) Main Plant: The Plant is running well; the flows have decreased with the dry weather. The Town of Rumford lined some pipes by Prospect Avenue causing a considerable flow decrease to Falls Hill station.
  - b) Sludge Disposal: There have been no issues. There will be a slight increase next year.
  - c) Pump Stations:
    - a. Dix Avenue: No issues.
    - b. Falls Hill: No issues.
    - c. South Rumford: The SCADA dialer will be moved up out of the can for easier reading.
8. Buildings: Rumford Point - The insulation project will be done in-house at a cost of approximately \$2,000.
9. Other Business: Interceptor Sewer Work: The brush cleaning has been completed. The work on the four (4) manholes will begin in October.
10. Adjournment: Motion by Robinson, seconded by Stewart, to adjourn at 7:44 pm.  
Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
John S. Blais, Clerk