

RUMFORD-MEXICO SEWERAGE DISTRICT  
TRUSTEE MEETING  
November 5, 2025

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Gautreau at 6:00 PM.
2. Board members present: Supt. Arsenault, Assistant Supt. Desroches, Blais, Palmer, Robinson, Gautreau, Stewart, Flynn  
Public attendance from Ouellette Associates, Mike Dunn, Parker
3. Previous Meeting Minutes:  
Motion by Palmer, seconded by Stewart to accept the minutes of October 1, 2025 as written. Motion passed.  
Motion by Blais, seconded by Flynn to accept the minutes of the special meeting of October 22, 2025 with the deletion of the last sentence of 3a. Motion passed.
4. Personnel:
  - a. Executive Session: Motion by Stewart, seconded by Palmer to go into executive session at 7:09 pm. Motion passed.  
Motion by Stewart, seconded by Flynn to come out of executive session at 7:14 pm. Motion passed.
5. Finance:
  - a. 2024 Audit Review: Mike Dunn and Parker from Ouellette Associates gave a review of the 2024 single audit. The audit showed no issues. The District is in good shape for going towards future goals. Supt. Arsenault and Asst. Supt. Desroches received praise for getting the audit material ready so quickly.
  - b. 2026 Budget Discussion: Motion by Blais, seconded by Stewart to accept the 2026 fiscal year budget presented by Supt. Arsenault. Motion passed unanimously.
  - c. Septage Received: Received \$30,559.00 in October with a year to date of \$175,606.75.
  - d. Current Operating Budget: The budget for the year looks to be right on target. There will be some expenses coming up in December .
  - e. Insurance Update: We will be signing on the flood insurance for Dix Avenue this week. We have a new workers comp carrier.
  - f. Capital Project Update:
    1. Dix Avenue Project: T. Buck is moving forward with ordering parts and equipment.
    2. Main Plant: The plan is to put out Phase 1 of the project mid to late winter. This includes all outside work except for the aerators.
6. Legal: Bond Council:  
Lee Bragg is retiring as the current bond council representative. There is a meeting with Phillip Saucier who will be the next bond council representative.
7. Operations: Current compliance of operating permits.
  - a. Main Plant: The Plant is running good, Getting it ready for running in the cold weather. The rags in the activated sludge system were cleaned out by the Town of Rumford with the vac truck.
  - b. Rumford Point Plant: The Plant is running well. The clarifier was insulated in house. They did a very good job.
  - c. Sludge Disposal: There have been no issues with hauling. There will be an increase in loads hauled in November, but it will come back down in a month or two. The current contract has been extended for five more years.
  - d. Pump Stations:
    - \* Dix Avenue: Kids threw rocks at garage doors and caused damage. The RSP#2 failed; now running on back up. It will be changed out as part of the new construction project.
    - \* Falls Hill: No issues. Running well.

\* South Rumford: Currently troubleshooting radar issues in the wet well. EIS will be on site within the next couple of weeks to repair the problem.

8. Buildings: Shawn Murphy will be doing drone fly overs before, during and after the construction project.
9. Collection System: Four man holes will be repaired during the first week of December at a cost of \$25,000. One is located at Memorial Bridge, and the others are located on Falls Hill in the ditch line.
10. Other Business: N/A
11. Adjournment: Motion by Stewart, seconded by Palmer, to adjourn at 8:08 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
John S. Blais, Clerk