



## **BOONSBORO MUNICIPAL UTILITIES COMMISSION**

### **Wednesday, August 16th, 2023 – 6:00PM Meeting Chambers**

The Boonsboro Municipal Utilities Commission (BMUC) held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday August 16th, 2023, in the Meeting Chambers. In attendance were BMUC Chairman Stu Mullendore and Commission Members Dave Wade, Colin Shanaberger, Chad Matthews, Terry Davis and Loren Norris. Also present were Water/Sewer Superintendent Pete Shumaker and Public Works Superintendent Greg Huntsberry. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Mullendore.

**CALL TO ORDER @6:00PM – *Chairman, Stu Mullendore***

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **MINUTES**

- Regular Meeting Minutes for July 27th, 2023. Commission Member Colin Shanaberger motioned and second by Commission Member Dave Wade to approve the amended July 27<sup>th</sup> minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Commission Chair Mullendore asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Commission Member Colin Shanaberger motioned and second by Member Loren Norris to approve the treasury report. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **OLD BUSINESS & UPDATES**

- **WWTP Sludge Dewatering Facility** – Utilities Superintendent Pete Shumaker informed the Commission that permits were completed, and construction materials have been delivered and put on site. Groundbreaking should begin next week by the prime contractor HRI, Inc. It is expected to reduce operating expenses at the plant by approximately \$160,000/year.
- **King Road Development** (Greg & Stu) Chairman Mullendore informed the Board there are no updates on King Road and Boonsboro is still working on meeting with the Developers to determine their plans and maybe draft a new agreement. Information on the 554 planned EDUs is vital in the calculation of water production capacity and availability of EDU's for the Towns. – Public Works Supervisor Greg Huntsberry informed the Commission that he had the final walk through at Sycamore Run Development and the Town of Boonsboro will take over in November 2023.
- **Auction House Sewer Connection & Meeting with Senator Corderman** – Public Works Superintendent Greg Huntsberry informed the Commission that he and Town Manager Schumacher met with a representative from Washington County, Senator Corderman and the owners of 7700 Old National Pike location, Richard DiPietro about sewer hookup at this service location. It has been determined that they cannot hook up to the same line as Dollar General and they will need to run their own 6-inch pipe and grinder pump. DiPietro asked the County and Town to help find funding for the cost. The Commission discussed possible temporary solution for the sewer issue at the service location so it would not hold up the project. Commission Member Shanaberger stated that a pump station in the area is a better long-term solution for the area.



- **Update on Reservoir Leak** – Utilities Superintendent Pete Shumaker informed the Commission that Divers entered the Reservoir on August 14<sup>th</sup> and found that there was a large leak. They did plug and re-sandbag the area. Divers also noticed cracking around the perimeter of the reservoir. Pete will monitor the situation.
- **Mayor & Council confirms reappointment of BMUC Member Dave Wade** – Chairman Stu Mullendore announced the reappointment by the Mayor and Council of Commission Member Dave Wade on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## NEW BUSINESS

- **Meeting with Boonsboro Planning Commission** – Council Member and Planning Commission liaison Eric Kitchen proposed to the Commission that the BMUC and Planning Commission have a joint meeting to discuss how the two commissions should work together on the demand increase of the town's water and sewer. He informed the commission that he already had a discussion with Town Manager Jared Schumacher and Commission Chair Mullendore, and it was decided to wait until the vacant Planning & Zoning position is filled. The Commission discussed what and who the process should include to complete a checklist for approval.

## SYSTEMS REPORT

- **Pete Shumaker, W/S Superintendent** - Pete Shumaker, W/S Superintendent informed the Commission that on the water side, operations are running smoothly. On the sewer side, the effluent water flow meter that went bad and will need to be replaced. The cost is \$3,600.00.
- **Greg Huntsberry, PW Superintendent** - Greg Huntsberry, PW Superintendent informed the Commission that on the sewer distribution side everything is good. On the water side, there was a leak on Boonsboro Mountain Road on 08.10.2023 in the 6-inch abandoned section of the water line. It is now plugged correctly and repaired. Superintendent Huntsberry also informed the commission that on 8.15.2023, a fire hydrant was damaged by a fire company during a fire at 8267 Old National Pike. The repair cost is estimated to be around \$500.00. He also stated his department has almost completed exercising the valves in town and he has ordered 42 Neptune meters.

## TOWN MANAGER REPORT – N/A

**ADJOURN** - Motion by Commission Member Dave Wade second by Commission Member Terry Davis to adjourn meeting at 6:50pm. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING** – September 20th , 2023 @ 6PM