

**BOONSBORO MUNICIPAL UTILITIES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday October 21st, 2020**

The Boonsboro Municipal Utilities Commission (BMUC) held its regular meeting on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 in the Charles F. "Skip" Kauffman Building's Meeting Chambers. Participants included Commission Chair Bob Sweeney and Commission Members Bobby Mose, Stu Mullendore, Ken Eshbaugh and David Wade. Also, in attendance were Mayor and Council Liaison Anthony Nally, Town Manager Paul Mantello and Pete Shumaker W/S Superintendent and Greg Huntsberry PW Superintendent . Citizen Eric Kitchen from the water loss task force also was present. Commission Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Michael Stouffer the Director of Maintenance and Operations@ WCPS spoke concerning taking the Boonsboro Athletic Fields off the BUMC system. The WCPS is actively pursuing bids for a well to achieve this goal. Bids are expected in by November 18

Public/Other Comments:

Citizen Susan Hanson spoke on behalf of residents living at 503-507 Brookside concerning the unused pumphouse adjacent to their properties. The well has been abandoned due excessive turbidity in the water. The BUMC will look at having the Town maintenance staff razing the building as it is may be a public safety hazard

Meeting Minutes

The Regular BMUC Meeting Minutes for September 16th , 2020 were reviewed by the commission members. Commissioner Eshbaugh noted that he was not present at the meeting. Commission member Stu Mullendore motioned to approve the minutes with change as note. Motion was carried 5-0.

Treasurer's Report

The September Treasurers report was reviewed. Commission member Dave Wade made a motion to approve the report, Motion was carried 5-0

Unfinished Business:

Meter replacement program. The initial replacement program has been completed. Thirty-One-meter readers are still required at a cost of 4,100 hundred dollars. Commissioner Mullendore made a motion to purchase the readers, motion passed 5-0.

Water Loss Taskforce. The final WRA report on the suspected leakage from the reservoir recommended shutting down the reservoir for a month. Take Keedysville offline and supply water directly from the Boonsboro wells. This would also entail temporarily installing remote pressure monitoring and blow out valves in the waterline

Wastewater model update. First report to be given Friday. Finalized report by November 20th.

South End Pumping Station Upgrade update. Phase One Pumping Stations phase one almost complete. Some finish construction issues need to be reviewed then addressed before County inspection.

Route 34 Pump Station Streambank Stabilization Update. The SHA is preparing for work. Greg will get rifferaff for the bank. This will be a staged project starts November 2nd, to take 2 weeks to complete. Cost 33,000 dollars

Collections System Rehabilitation Project Phase 2. Seven Hundred feet of pipeline with manholes to start early November.

Alt 40 Waterline Flushing Review and Fee. This issue was discussed at length with no decision made at this time.

Shafer Park Well Replacement RFP. Working with John Grace MDE. Hydro Geotonic report from 1997 to be reviewed by Triad. Phillips Well was the only bidder at 75,292 dollars. Working to reduce cost at present, needs to be completed before the Reservoir test.

Park Lane Sewer Main Replacement & Paving Project. Mayor & Council approved for the RFP going public. Will use leftover 2016 grant money. To be started around Thanksgiving. Must be done by end of calendar year.

WWTP Roof Sealing RFP. Commissioner Wade made a motion to put the RFP out for bid, motion passed 5-0. Will be forwarded to Mayor & Council for consideration.

Dewatering Press Project Update. The dewatering press will reduce 1.7 million gallons of sludge a year by 93%. Estimate a 100,000 dollar a year savings in tipping fees to State run processing Plants.(MDE) The drying shed should reduce this amount even more. Will begin looking for land application for finished sludge.

Washington County Chemical Contract. Meeting to review bids to be held Friday

NEW BUSINESS:

Grants Overview. Presently looking at Potomac Edison grants and Maryland National Guard work projects.

Water Model for District Metered Area System Design. Will talk to WRA about rental or lease until reservoir survey completed.

High's Dairy Store Tap Fees. Table for know to explore an equitable decision after more information comes forward.

Easterday Public Works Has completed most of Phase 1, release 95% of bond money. There is still a 1-year maintenance agreement. A draft of the Phase II agreement has been approved by the Attorneys. A motion was to approve Phase II pending P&Z approval was made by Commissioner Wade; motion passed 5-0. Pending Mayor and Council approval.

Town Managers report - Paul Mantello

Systems Report- Pete Shumaker

Mayor and Council Report – Mayor and Council Liaison, Anthony Nally, provided a brief summary of Mayor and Council activities since the last BMUC meeting.

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was made by Commission Member Mose at 11:15, the Motion approved 5-0.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday November 18th at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Wade
Secretary