

MABE Meeting Minutes March 26, 2019

In Attendance:

Lori Sifford
Darrell Gobble
Jose Colon
Bob Preston, Hydraterra
Charlotte Gehman

Absent:

Floyd Jennelle
Stephen Kalis, Fox Rothschild

Others in Attendance:

Joe Boldaz, Hydraterra
Dave Friedman, EEMA

Meeting called to order at 7:05p

Meeting Minutes

Motion by Darrell to Approve Minutes of February 26, 2019 and the March 19, 2016 Workshop Board Meeting. Second by Steve. Motion approved.

Public Comment

None

Correspondence/Communication

Operator's Report

Dave shared photos of the plant during a rainstorm event. The average for March has been 105,000 gallons per day. Normal flow is typically 70,000 gallons per day. Ammonia and BOD have been good.

Polymer Feed System – The polymer system is now operational. Inks hauled several loads of sludge in anticipation of adding the polymer. They are monitoring daily to balance the amount needed for the biology. Dave believes the new blower panel will help control the air and that will help the process as well.

Tertiary Filters – 4 new filters were ordered and received. One as a replacement and 3 as spares.

Hour Meters – The Brick Lane hour meter is recording correctly, but it does have an electrical problem that Brad is tracking down.

HVAC – Cleaning the filters and flushing the system daily. The polymer is improving this also. Filter on backwash pump needs to be cleaned daily. With the water line restored, Brad plans to clean and backflush the system.

Both sludge tanks have had blower issues. Brad is suggesting pulling the aerator up to inspect it.

Dave suggests cleaning the aeration and clarifier tanks as he believes they have rags in them as he sees them when the air is off.

Engineer's Report

Blower Panel Project - Eastern will provide shop drawings and a schedule next week. The change order request for the air conditioning was only received by the Board today. Board will need to review.

Blue Rock Project – No escrow has been received to date.

Chapter 94 – Final draft received Monday. Lori will review and Bob will put it in the mail. Must be postmarked by March 31st.

Televising Results – Bob reviewed the results of the televising. A few sags in the pipe were found. The one leak that was found should be repaired, but it will be more cost effective to wait until more repairs are identified. The leak was estimated to be at a flow of 2 gallons a minute.

Solicitor's Report

No report

Old Business

Water Line Project – The water line project has been completed and the plant has running water again. Project costs did increase based on necessary modifications when the concrete floor was determined to be more than 8 inches thick as per the plans. New pressure tank is installed and heat tape which will need to be plugged in if the temperature is below 20 degrees. Insurance has been covering the costs at 50%. **Motion by Darrell to approve payment for the WWTP Water Line work by Tim McEwen. Second by Jose. Motion approved.**

Sewer Standards – Lori requested the missing Appendix H for the sample standards which Bob had available. Board will need to review the standards.

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New Business

Landscaping Quote/Mowing Guidelines – to be reviewed at the April meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Sign Checks - **Motion by Steve to approve the March payables as presented. Second by Darrell. Motion approved.**

Audit Reports – 2018 audit is complete.

Admin Update

Sewer Plumbing Inspections – Plumbers have been notified and have been sent a supply of forms. Title companies and Homeowners will be notified next and the project is still on track to begin April 1, 2019.

Executive Session – Board entered executive session at 8:09p

Adjournment 8:25p

Next Scheduled MABE Meeting is Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 7:00p.