

Dorr/Leighton Sewer Authority

February 21, 2019

1. The regular meeting of the Dorr/Leighton Sewer Authority was called to order at noon at the Leighton Township Hall.
2. Members present: Deer, Miling, Sewers, Nieuwenhuis, Martin, Overmyer
3. Members absent: Troost, VanderWoude
4. Also present: Brandon Mieras, Nathan Breese, Joe Baxter, Fern O'Beshaw
5. Motion by Overmyer, support by Sewers to amend #15 of the November 15, 2018 minutes by changing the MEBSFOLK Realty REUs from .72 to 4.72. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
6. Motion by Overmyer, support by Sewers to approve the November 15, 2018 minutes as amended. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
7. Motion by Miling, support by Nieuwenhuis to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
8. Mieras and Deer gave a brief report on the plant expansion and financing. The FDA loan was on hold because of the government shutdown but is now back on track for obligation. They are still working on supplying the needed documentation but it appears that work will still be able to begin in August. Mieras has spoken with some contractors about pricing and it appears favorable.
9. Overmyer motioned and withdrew his motion to give the finance committee authority to approve the FDA financing paperwork when available. The entire board will be involved in the approval process.
10. Mieras is still involved in the SAW grant process. He is currently working on an asset management plan.
11. The operation/maintenance contract with B & B will be expiring and needs to be renewed by December 2019. Motion by Overmyer, support by Sewers to put Resolution 2019-02-21-1 (DLWA request for qualifications for operations, maintenance, and management of the wastewater system) on the agenda for discussion and approval. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Overmyer, support by Sewers to adopt resolution #2019-02-21-01 (DLWA request for qualifications for operations, maintenance, and management of the wastewater system.) Roll call vote. Yeas: None Nays: Overmyer, Sewers, Miling, Nieuwenhuis, Martin, Deer Motion defeated. Reasons for nay votes were because we are in the middle of a 2-year construction project and there would be no benefit to change operators at this point.
13. Overmyer continues to work on the remaining 18 non-responders to the I & I questionnaire.
14. Overmyer and Baxter are working the possibility of renting/purchasing composite samplers. Will report at the May meeting.
15. There have been discussions with PCI and Williams & Works regarding one of them taking over the calculation of connection cost. PCI is not interested. Overmyer is working on a defined process to implement a new contract with Williams & Works. Possible escrows for project review?
16. Motion by Overmyer, support by Sewers to approve the Late Payment Fee Charges Policy as presented. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

17. There was discussion regarding raising the connection fees. It was tabled for a later date.
18. O'Beshaw presented financial reports.
19. There was no Public Comment.
20. It was noted that the website needs some updates.
21. Overmyer talked about the tool & die rates. He will be looking to Mieras for help in making REU calculations.
22. Overmyer is working to develop a new policy to regulate fats, oils and greases from condos and restaurants.
23. No Public Comment
24. Next meeting scheduled for May 16, 2019 at noon in the Leighton Twp. Hall.
25. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Overmyer to adjourn. All members voted yes.
26. Meeting adjourned.

Sec'y: _____

Steve Deer: _____

Jeff Miling: _____