

## **Grand Isle Consolidated Water District Minutes of Regular Meeting July 8, 2015**

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Present at meeting: George Wilcox, Janine Banks, Julia Small, Shannon Bundy, Warren Steadman, Joe Danis, Brad Washburn and David Banks.

Janine Banks opened the July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting at 7:10PM.

### **Addition to the Agenda**

Janine Banks had the following to add to the agenda:

- 1) Need to appoint a Clerk as Cheryl Vantine resigned in June.
- 2) Do Vermont meeting laws apply to us?
- 3) Do we want to have an open house for the new GAC system, and when?
- 4) Does the board want Janine to write an article about the GAC coming online for the Islander and to post on FPF?

### **Review of Meeting Minutes**

Julia Small made a motion to accept the June 10th minutes. George Wilcox seconded. Voice vote approved with Shannon Bundy abstaining.

### **User's**

-Jeremy Grenon submitted a \$3,000 check with a connection agreement for 2 Canoe Rd. Extension. It is for a single family home. After discussion, Shannon Bundy made a motion to accept the connection agreement from Mr. Grenon and Julia Small seconded. Voice vote approved.

### **Operator's Report**

SOS's full report is attached to these minutes, discussion ensued on the following items:

1. Chlorine levels were up and down recently. The hatchery switched from using the deep well to using the shallow well and the temperature went from 8-18 degrees C in 24 hours. Warm water requires more chlorine to maintain the proper levels and residuals. So when the levels dropped, they added more chlorine and added too much so they drained off some of the Bell Hill tank to dilute the chlorine. If the hatchery had given us notice or blended for a few days this could have been avoided. Should not be an issue until next summer. No damage done and the chlorine levels have stabilized.
2. The Lovers Lane tank was drained, inspected and the small leak repaired. A report is forthcoming.
3. The Bell Hill tank was inspected with an underwater robotic camera. The report was received today and will be discussed at the next meeting. Sediment has built up and may need to be removed.
4. The office at the water plant needs new furniture. The 2 tables there currently are Warren's, the desk is not really adequate and the computer desk is in need of much repair. Warren and Joe will investigate some options and present the board with a more detailed request at the next meeting.

### **Engineer's Report**

GME did not have a written report this month. Brad Washburn discussed the following:

1. The GAC Filtration System came online at approximately 12 noon today!
2. TetraSolve sand blasted overages on the vessel's inside coating and added more coating where needed. A third party tester approved the resulting thicknesses and approved the vessels.
3. Eric Patterson, owner of TetraSolve was here today and assisted bringing the system online. He was unaware of the issues caused by the inside coatings being too thick and he took a personal interest in our vessels. He believes they are excellent, well-made units now and they have the best inside coatings available.
4. Brad noted that our backwash system is sufficient at this time to accept the large volumes of water needed to backwash the vessels, but at some future upgrade we may want to enlarge it. Discussion ensued on backwash procedures.

5. Negle and Chase submitted a pay request but since some items were not completed yet, he will combine this one and the one next week, discuss with the State (Roger Bergeron) and take care of both at the same time. Roger Bergeron is coming to see the project for himself Wednesday July 15<sup>th</sup> at 2pm and he Pay Request meeting will also be held at that time.
6. It appears there may be some extra money left from the zero percent loan which we may want to use for further improvements or required maintenance items. Warren will put a list together. It will require board and State approval.

**Treasurer's Report**

No treasurer's report.

**The Additions to the Agenda**

- 1) Shannon Bundy made a motion to appoint Janine Banks as Clerk and George Wilcox seconded it. Voice vote approved. Time cards go to Melissa and Janine wanted to copy someone on the board so it was decided the Treasurer should receive a copy.
- 2) Janine will call the state to see if we are subject to Vermont Meeting Laws.
- 3) It was decided we would like to have an open house, during the week and we decided on 3-6pm September 9<sup>th</sup>, just before our meeting. The board will have a light pot luck from 6-7pm. We will wait until after the August meeting to formally announce it and invite other water systems, the State, all members, etc. Warren and Joe have a lot of picking up to do, would like to have the old building painted, the lab completed and the landscaping done (included in the GAC project). Assuming that is done, we'll proceed with the 9/9 open house.
- 4) Yes, general approval. Janine will have Shannon proof the article.

Julia Small then made a motion to adjourn at 8:44PM and it was seconded by Shannon Bundy. Voice vote approved.

Respectfully Submitted

Janine Banks \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_