

Grand Isle Consolidated Water District

Minutes of Regular Meeting August 8, 2018

Board Members Present: David Borthwick-Leslie, Judi Reposa, Janine Banks, Michael Inners, Andy Phyphers.

Board Members Not Present: Shannon Bundy and Lynda Morgan-Gardiner.

Community Members Present: Vicki Collins, Mary LeeLaird and Janet Horocan.

Additions to the Agenda

Connection agreement for 576 West Shore Rd. So Hero.

Review of Meeting Minutes

- 1) Judi motioned to approve the July 13, 2018 meeting minutes and Andy seconded the motion. All Commissioners were in favor with Andy abstaining.

Questions from User's

- 1) Account #6025 was present and said she called the plumber who winterized her home and he wanted to talk to us. Warren called the plumber and he says they are not responsible for meter pits and therefore can't legally file a claim with their insurance company. Discussion. We recommended that she contact her homeowners insurance and file a claim. She was willing to do this and will let us know what happens with the claim. If they deny it, we will discuss it at the next meeting.
- 2) Connection agreement for 576 West Shore Rd, So. Hero. The line will cross the road so they need a permit from the town of So. Hero. No easements are needed. Motion to accept this connection agreement was made by Judi and seconded by Andy. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Operator's Report

SOS's full report is attached to these minutes, discussion ensued on a few items.

- 1) #2 on report. Joe discussed the successful leak test performed.
- 2) Account #3025. Joe recapped the complaint. They have recently asked for a payment plan which is being set up.
- 3) VT Occupational Safety course. Joe & Warren took the class at Knight's Point State Park.
- 4) Joe commented that he and many others in SOS appreciate the farsightedness of the GICWD Water Board.

Engineer's Report

Via email 8/8/18.

Hello all:

GME has some minor updates to report over the last month. We reviewed the DBP testing results for the last quarter, which were a bit higher, but still well under the action level. Also, we spoke to Warren about the redesign and reconstruction of the filter room piping manifold and will be following up with him over the next month to setup a meeting to discuss. Finally, GME is not attending the monthly meeting tonight.

Hope you are enjoying the summer!

Brad

Brad Washburn, P.E.

Project Engineer

Green Mountain Engineering, Inc.

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Treasurer's Report

- 1) Audit report has been received and is being reviewed.

- 2) No red flags in budget. Moving along as planned.

Old Business

- 1) Should we begin meeting at the water plant instead of the hatchery? Consensus is we should continue meeting at the Hatchery.
- 2) Jennille Smith the consultant for the AT&T Lovers Lane Project gave an overview of the project. Communications tower is being proposed on Lover's Lane for 1st responders and anyone who does business with AT&T. Part of the First Net network. She went over the draft lease agreement she submitted to us previously. Warren expressed concerns wondering what is being erected, where they plan to dig, etc. and there were other questions about the lease agreement from the Commissioners. She took notes and will look into modifications to the lease agreement language to address our concerns. Discussed separating out the option and the lease.

New Business

- 1) Judi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37PM and Andy seconded it. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janine Banks _____ Date: _____
GICWD Clerk

Account # 3025 - Chronological listing of complaints due to high water usage billed from 6/11/18 reading:

6-11-18 Meter read as part of quarterly meter readings

6-26-18 Owner called complaining about high usage- rdg 1326 50,000gals

7-3-18 Read meter 1332 (6,000gals)

7-12-18 Opened meter pit. Read meter 1335 (3000 gals)

Noticed meter slowly turning. Checked one of the toilets found it overflowing in fill line. Showed how it was leaking and suggested adjusting the fill level. There is a second toilet but we did not have access to it. When we left the meter was not turning.

7-16-18 Opened meter pit and read meter 1337 (2000 gals) Meter not showing a leak.

7-23-18 Opened meter pit and read meter 1339 (2000 gals) Meter not showing a leak

7-30-18 Opened meter pit and read meter 1342 (3000 gals) Changed meter.

7-31-18 Checked meter accuracy. Flowed 218 gallons-meter read 207.7 gallons. Meter test showed at slow rates meter is reading low. Not reported to owner at this time.

7-31-18 Owner called office complaining again about her usage.

(Compiled by SOS 8/2/18)



SIMON OPERATION SERVICES, INC.

August 8, 2018

Mr. Michael Inners
Grand Isle Consolidated Water District
Grand Isle, Vermont 05458
Dear Michael,

Enclosed please find the following reports and activities for the water treatment facility for the month of July 2018.

1. Monthly Activities Report
2. Vermont Water System Operations Report

If you have any questions regarding this information please feel free to call us toll free at 1-888 767 -1885.

Sincerely,

Warren Steadman
Joe Danis

cc: Facility copy

143 S. Main Street, Waterbury, VT 05676 1-888-767-18

GRAND ISLE CONSOLIDATED WATER DISTRICT
MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT
JULY 2018

A: ACTIVITIES COMPLETED

1. Two samples were taken for coliform testing. Both samples were absent. Monthly backwash data was taken and the monthly report sent to the Watershed Management Division. The monthly Water Operations report was sent to the Water and Groundwater Protection Division
2. A pressure test of the main distribution line in Grand Isle Village and A&B's service line was conducted at the request of Art Goodrich. He has been having water entering the bottom of his vertical hoist in his shop for some time. He has had various organizations trying to determine where the water was coming from. The possibility of our mainline distribution line or A&B's service line was leaking had been raised. After notifying customers who would be affected while testing, the section line was isolated and the pressure was monitored. The pressure in the isolated line held indicating that there is not leak.

3. Water usage data for the homes on Ladd Point was supplied to the Ladd Point association. The need the data for a waste water report that they complete annually.
4. SOS personnel witnessed a tap at 559 West Shore Road in South Hero. A meter was installed, inspected and the water turned on.
5. SOS personnel met with Dwight Bullis at his tenement home on the old Powell Farm. He wanted to determine if he should split the service between the two apartments and add a second meter. It was determined that it would be too costly to split the service.
6. The customer at 98 Allen Road complained about high water usage on their July bill. After talking with the customer the complaint was referred to Michael. The steps SOS completed are listed on an attached report.
7. The customer at 138 East Shore South requested we check their meter after a higher than normal usage. While replacing the meter the caretaker described how he had talked with a former tenant about not letting the water overflow into the fill tube of his toilet. Apparently a low flow toilet had been installed and since it did not flush properly he assumed that by letting the water run into the overflow tube it would flush better. It was explained to the landlord that this was the most likely cause of the high usage. The meter has been checked and was reading properly.
8. The wire to the touch pad at 59 East Shore South was repaired.
9. The wire to the touch pad at 271 East shore North was repaired.
10. The office computer had a keyboard problem. Dewyea troubleshot the problem and determined that it was a Windows software problem that most likely occurred while updates were automatically being downloaded.

B. ACTIVITIES IN PROGRESS

1. LT-2 raw water samples are being submitted every two weeks. Weekly Cyanobacteria samples are being submitted weekly.
2. The sampling for the EPA testing is in progress. The samples are taken every two weeks and then delivered to Fed EX for overnight shipping.
3. The annual cycling of all mainline valves is underway as time permits. All valves should be cycled by mid-September.

C. ACTIVITIES PLANNED OR NEEDED.

1. The antenna for the Lover's Lane to Plant communication system is to be raised from the Bell Hill building to the power pole.
2. We have discussed replacing the remaining master meters with Neagly & Chase. They are working on a plan for scheduling the work. One of the meter replacements, the West Shore Road MM will require that the water will be off for the duration of the work, most likely a few hours.
3. The new shed needs to be painted.
4. The second new turbidimeter has been ordered to replace the rinse turbidimeter. We had ordered a new backwash turbidimeter last year in case the current one failed. Both will be installed this fall when daily flows are lower. (The Kinetico filters will not backwash automatically without the backwash turbidimeter.)

D. BILLINGS AND COLLECTIONS

1. Accounts receivable as of August 3 was \$44,568.13
2. 115 second notices were sent out on August 3.
3. No new liens were applied or released this month.