

MONTGOMERY COUNTY REGIONAL WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
09/08/2021 Board Meeting Minutes
South Boulevard County Building
110 W South Boulevard
Crawfordsville, IN 47933

The Montgomery County Regional Water & Sewer District met in session via virtual meeting platform on Wednesday, September 8th, 2021 at 3:00pm. The meeting was conducted via Zoom Meeting and was organized at the South Boulevard County Building, 110 W South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, Indiana. Board members present were: Mark Davidson, Greg Morrison, Brad Monts, and Dan Guard.

Also present: Sewer District Attorney Stu Weliever- Henthorn Harris Weliever & Petrie P.C.; Tom Astbury, Astbury Water Technologies; Lori Dossett; Tom Klein; Lana Beregszazi and Davis Lamm - BCS Management; Amy Moore- VS Engineering; Amy Cating, In the Black; Greg Martz; Shannon Killion- GAI Consultants.

Call to Order – Chairman Dan Guard called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

I. Management & Administration:

A. Minutes & Board Meeting Schedule

Minutes for 08/11/2021 were provided by BCS Management for board approval. *Mark Davidson motioned to approve the minutes from 8/11/2021. Greg Morrison seconded. Motion passed 4-0.*

B. Maintenance Report - Astbury Water Technology

Tom Astbury, Astbury Water Technologies reported that there had been two exceedances at the plant in the last two months. Astbury has completed the proper reporting and has been in communication with IDEM.

Astbury met with representatives of Nucor to discuss the high strength influent issues at the Nucor Road WWTP. The meeting went well and Astbury started sending granular flow data to Nucor to keep everyone on the same page.

The VFD drive and alarm on the influent lift station pump failed. As a temporary solution, the pump's manufacturer wired the pump to operate without the VFD drive for the time being. Astbury suspects that the VFD failure took out the telemetry unit, hence the alarm failure.

Regarding the two grinder pump unit service calls, Astbury reported that both pumps had issues with the float sensors.

Lana Beregszazi requested that Astbury send 12 month flow data so the board can get a better grasp of the trends that will dictate when the WWTP expansion occurs.

C. Website Report – BCS Management

BCS Management continues to monitor and update the website. Minutes and agendas have been posted and various updates have been made. Ms. Beregszazi noted that the contact information for Astbury has been updated.

D. New Connections – BCS Management

BCS Management reported that there have been no new connections in August.

II. Project Updates:

A. WWTP Expansion

Design - Shannon Killion of GAI Consultants reported that the 90% design plans are still being worked on. Dan Guard asked when design efforts will be final, GAI responded that they will continue to work towards completion. BCS Management will be coordinating with GAI regarding EDA grant requirements.

EDA Grant - Ms. Beregszazi of BCS Management and other county representatives had an exploratory call with EDA grant administrators. The WWTP expansion project may qualify for an infrastructure grant program that covers up to 80% of project costs for infrastructure that retains or creates jobs. There is no specific deadline for this grant, but the sooner the application is filed, the better. Ms. Beregszazi will have a follow up call with the EDA grant administrators and coordinate with county representatives on this effort.

B. State Water Infrastructure Fund Grant Application

Amy Moore, VS Engineering, reported that award notifications for round one of the applications submitted in July were delayed until September 10. The process is on hold until award notification is received.

C. Comfort Drive / CR200S Corridor

Ms. Beregszazi asked how the Board wants to handle the connection fee for Tempur Sealy. The fee is waived, but the Board needs to decide whether it will request that the RDC pay the fee or completely waive it. Also, BCS and District Attorney Stu Weliever will be working on an acquisition plan to make the parcel where the lift station is located property of the District.

The IDEM permit application was kicked back for administrative issues. Once the corrections are made Board President Dan Guard will need to re-sign the application.

Brad Monts motioned to authorize Dan Guard to sign the revised IDEM permit application. Greg Morrison seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

III. Old Business

A. Munn Property connection

District Attorney Stu Weliever reported that Dutcher failed to fix the connection on the Munn property by the August 15 deadline. Mr. Weliever recommended that the Board prepare to file suit against Dutcher and name the Munns in the suit since they are the landowners.

Dan Guard motioned to approve a suit to be filed against Dutcher Trenching for failing to comply with the District's connection standards and letters requesting compliance. The suit will also name the Munns. Further, the District Attorney is authorized to send a letter notifying Dutcher that a suit will be filed in 14 days if they continue to fail to correctly connect the Munn's home to the District's sanitary sewer system. Mark Davidson seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

IV. New Business

A. Pump and Haul

Brad Monts brought to the Board's attention that there was a payment hold on pump and hauls from Dutcher Trenching. Amy Cating, In the Black Books, reported that Dutcher had only done special hauling for Nucor in August. Upon further investigation and discussion, it was determined

that Nucor's facility manager and an unknown County official had Dutcher deliver loads to Merrell Brothers's disposal facility in Speedway. These special hauls were paid for by Nucor. Tom Astbury was glad that Nucor had taken the initiative to dispose of high strength effluent with Merrell Brothers, rather than sending it to the Nucor Road WWTP. This demonstrates that Nucor is serious about preventing the high strength loads that have been an issue over the last few months. Amy Moore, VS Engineering, noted that Dutcher should be more communicative regarding operational changes like this.

V. Treasurer's Report

A. Accounts Payable Claims = \$21,532.45

Brad Monts motioned to approve claims totaling \$21,532.45 as presented. Greg Morrison seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

VI. Adjournment

Having no other business to come before the Board, Greg Morrison moved to adjourn. Mark Davidson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 3:55pm.

Submitted by Davis Lamm – Project Manager - BCS Management

Approved this ___ day of October, 2021.

Dan Guard, President