

Burns Harbor Sanitary Board
Minutes of Wednesday, June 26, 2024

The Burns Harbor Sanitary Board met in regular session Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at the Burns Harbor Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Sanitary Board Chair Jennifer McHargue at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:
Jennifer McHargue Present
Allen Migliorini Present
Vacant Seat

A quorum was attained.
Also present were Attorney Clay Patton of Patton Law, LLC, Interim Superintendent Adam Friday, Engineer Jeanette Hicks of Global Engineering and Land Surveying, Councilman John “Jack” McGraw, and Jill Sherrill.

Approval of Minutes
Migliorini made a motion to approve the Minutes of April 17, 2024. McHargue seconded the motion. Allen Migliorini — aye. Jennifer McHargue — aye. Motion passed.

Correspondence
Nothing to discuss.

Sanitary Report
Friday stated we’ve had two callouts because of storms and emergency alarms in number 4, number 6, number 3, and number 6. We have also had phone line repairs on 3, 5, and 6. There have been some call-back maintenance issues with lift stations as far as the jetting and the cleaning. New air releases have been installed and we did another pump-down test with an independent consultant. All lift stations have been cleaned out and all lines have been jetted. We found some manholes that have been covered up over time, so I will bring that up here in a little bit. The vacuum pressure test for Phase 8 in the Village of Burns Harbor has been completed and passed. I don’t have the numbers, but by verbal it has all passed. We had an emergency repair on lift stations 3 and 4. We have been having some increase in some flows or pump times, so we did some pump pulling this last week and cleared some of the blockages to a couple of them, so we will see if the numbers improve this coming week. We had an emergency call out with this last storm at number 6 and number 3 and we had to get some parts replaced. We currently don’t have any extras on the trucks, so I’ve been looking into getting these parts on the truck to cut down our repair times. They have all been fixed and are running great. The manhole that needs to be brought up to grade is located at 395 Rak Rd. The manhole is at the end of the driveway and the driveway is all gravel. It’s been buried for some time, so we finally uncovered it along with the air release on that property. We need to bring it up, at minimum, 6 inches to grade. The homeowner wants to re-grade her driveway, so I asked her nicely to wait until we got approval to take care of the manhole. I reached out to Mets and Luke Sutton for bids and only Mets came back with a quote. The next bid I have is from MB Controls and it’s 2 bids in 1. This is for replacing the single convertor and estimated 4 hours of labor in lift station 1. I am not showing levels on the SCADA even though it is showing that it runs and flows. It’s because of this module that is not sending a signal and needs to be replaced in the amount of \$1,803. I asked him what the price would be for lift station 2. I gave him the information on the flow meter and he says it is going to cost \$8,705 to replace that. So, that is a lot better than the \$11,475 that Gasvoda wanted to charge. I have provided a handout that goes into detail regarding the pumps. The green highlighted area shows what a normal pump time should look like. In the areas highlighted in yellow, you will see a very significant increase in pump number 2 on lift stations 1 and 2, and 3 and 4. Then on pump 1 on 5 and pump 2 on 6. So, that could be several things that could be causing that. One is that there could be a clog, which we found at lift station 4. We were able to unclog that. We then pulled the other lift stations and the balloons and impellers were good. We put it back together and are going to let it flow for this week and see what our numbers look like. McHargue asked do we only have one quote for lift station 1. Friday said that is correct. Migliorini said I wonder what Gasvoda would come in with. Friday said I will call them up tomorrow and see if we can get a quote over for that. Migliorini made a motion to approve the quote from MB Controls to do the repair work to lift station 2 in the amount of \$8,705. McHargue seconded the motion. Allen Migliorini—aye. Jennifer McHargue—aye. Motion passed.

McHargue said I think we should table lift station 1 until we have the quote from Gasvoda.
Migliorini asked do we want to wait to address the manhole issue until we get a quote from Sutton. Friday said yes, I will work on getting a quote with them.

Friday said per your request on the confined space class I did reach out to other vendors and no one will perform the class or give a quote. So, at this time we only have the quote from STS. SEI and Code Red will not give us a quote. A discussion was had regarding the confined space class for the Sanitation and Building Department workers. Migliorini made a motion to approve the eight-hour confined space training for Adam Friday, Brandon Downey, Mike Gucciardo, and Andrew Skalku to be performed on a day that is good for their schedule and the Town of Burns Harbor schedule with STS. McHargue seconded the motion. Allen Migliorini- aye, Jennifer McHargue-aye. Motion passed.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Report

Friday said Greg was not able to make it to this meeting, but we did meet this morning and reports have been filed and everything is running smoothly.

Engineer Report

Hicks said we had flow meters put in a few different locations around the Town of Burns Harbor. We started on lift station 3 and put in a couple of different locations in that collection system. There were one or two rain events that did show kind of a spike in the flow. Once we monitored that for a few weeks, we then moved it over to lift station 6 and after some rain events we didn't notice any spikes. So, that tells me we aren't getting much from lift station 6. We did not get to lift station 5 before the weather got dry. We received the data for the rain events and I requested the other data.

Old Business

Future Infrastructure

New Business

Approval of Claims and Purchase Orders with two (2) or more signatures

Migliorini made a motion to approve all claims and purchase orders with two (2) or more signatures. McHargue seconded the motion. Allen Migliorini—aye. Jennifer McHargue—Aye. Motion passed.

Spending Review

The board reviewed the report and there were no questions.

Delinquencies

The board reviewed the report and there were no questions.

Flow Report

The board reviewed the report and there were no questions.

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Announcements

None.

Adjourn

Migliorini made a motion to adjourn. McHargue seconded the motion. Allen Migliorini — aye. Jennifer McHargue — aye. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Submitted by: Jill Sherrill, Secretary

APPROVED


Jennifer McHargue, Chair


Madeline Parker, Secretary