

**DOVER EYOTA ST. CHARLES AREA SANITARY DISTRICT**  
**Minutes of Board of Directors Regular Meeting**

**June 16, 2020**

**Members Present:**

Wayne Getz  
Ray Schuchard  
Eric Tyler  
Dave Kramer  
Dave Iseminger  
Wes Bussell  
Tony Nelson

**Staff:**

John Brogan

**1. Call to Order:**

Chairman Wayne Getz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Set Agenda:**

Wayne Getz is adding the following items to the agenda:

- 5a) Magellan discharge
- 5b) Menard's nail plant
- 5c) Todd Tesch annual review

Motion made by Tony Nelson to set the agenda with the addition of items 5a, 5b, 5c. Seconded by Dave Kramer. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**3. Arendt Subdivision, Eyota, Sewer Extension Permit Approval:**

This subdivision consists of town homes. Each unit has a lateral that connects to a single line that runs to the main line. Tony Nelson stated that the City of Eyota has given all the necessary approvals. Motion made by Wes Bussell to approve the Sanitary Sewer Extension Permit for the Arendt Subdivision. Seconded by Eric Tyler. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**4. Approve Minutes of the May 19, 2020 Regular Meeting:**

Motion made by Tony Nelson, seconded by Ray Schuchard to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 19, 2020. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**5. Approval of Receipts and Disbursement/Summary of Assets:**

Motion made by Eric Tyler to approve Receipts and Disbursements/Summary of Assets. Seconded by Ray Schuchard. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**5a. Magellan discharge:**

This company needed to hydrotest a 5,000,000 gallon tank so they needed to fill it with water and are now asking the District to allow them to discharge the water into the sewer system. They will do testing on the top, middle and bottom portion of the tank and they were told that the testing results need to meet the plant's criteria. John Brogan stated that this discharge shouldn't be a problem if the test results are good. It would take about 20 days at 250,000 gallons per day and the discharge would be monitored 24 hours a day. They were told that it would have to be shut down during a rain event of at least 2". The consensus is that they should be charged the same rate the 3 cities pay for sewer. Motion made by Dave Kramer to allow this discharge providing the test results are sufficient, they agree to stop during a rain event of 2" and they will

be charged \$6.48 per 1,000 gallons of discharge. Seconded by Dave Iseminger. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**5b. Menard's nail plant:**

Menard's is relocating its nail plant from Chester to Eyota. They are not breaking ground on a new building until July 2021, however, we need to find out if the discharge from the building is only sanitary sewer or will they be using any type of cooling equipment, etc. that will discharge water from other sources.

**5c. Todd Tesch annual review:**

Todd Tesch's one-year anniversary date was 5/16/2020 and Wes Bussell talked with him about his review. Due to the COVID-19 situation Todd was not able to obtain the Type IV biosolids license this past March and probably won't be able to take the Class D exam this fall. The MPCA has been cancelling all seminars/exams related to wastewater operator licensing. Typically a wage increase is given on the one-year anniversary date, but Todd doesn't feel right about taking an increase at this time. The Personnel Committee recommends waiting until he passes the license tests. Wes Bussell is recommending a \$.50 per hour increase for his one-year anniversary, retroactive to 5/16/2020. Motion made by Dave Kramer to approve a \$.50 per hour increase in Todd Tesch's wage for his one-year anniversary retroactive to 5/16/2020. Seconded by Dave Iseminger. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**6. Plant Update:**

- a) No violations for the month.
- b) Jon Vanyo from the U of M sent the proposed pilot testing plan for review and also sent a copy to the MPCA. Some of the items in the plan will not work here since they are set up to run with a SCADA system and not manually like here. However, if we can do the biological nutrient removal that would be good permit wise. It would be expensive to add more automation to this plant at this time and it would make more sense if an industrial user moved into the area.
- c) We believe some kids were inside the lift station fence. There wasn't any damage done. We installed posted signage on all four sides of the fence.
- d) The storm sewer in the front ditch was eroding around the chimney so all the joints on the inside of the chimney have been grouted.
- e) We received the new chlorine analyzer and the sales rep will be here Thursday to show us how to program it.
- f) A new seal was installed in the #1 rotor gear box.
- g) Todd cleaned up under the pine trees, limed, fertilized and planted grass seed.
- h) Todd installed the waste pump in clarifier #1.

**7. Other Business:**

There is no other business.

There being no further business a motion was made by Tony Nelson, seconded by Eric Tyler, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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