

JOINT WATER/SEWER BOARD OF THE CITY OF BUCHANAN AND BUCHANAN TOWNSHIP MONDAY, MAY 03, 2021 – 7:00 AM ELECTRONIC MEETING

MINUTES AMENDED

Call to Order

Roll Call

- PRESENT Chair/Township Representative Tom Gordon, City Representative Cameron Downey, Township Representative Rachel Plank
- ABSENT Joint City/Township Representative Brian Dinneen, City Representative Mark Weedon
- CITY STAFF City Clerk, Barbara Pitcher; Wastewater Treatment Superintendent, Bill Housand; Water Operator in Charge, Scott Dessenberg; DPW Director, JT Adkerson

Approve Agenda

Gordon noted the agenda was dated February 1, 2021 and that the February 1, 2021 minutes were not included in the packet.

Motion made by Township Representative Plank to approve an amended agenda omitting approval of minutes, Seconded by City Representative Downey.

Voting Yea: Chair/Township Representative Gordon, City Representative Downey, Township Representative Plank

Approve Minutes

Removed from agenda.

Business

Board Appointments/Reappointments

Plank indicated she would forward Buchanan Township Board meeting minutes to the Clerk approving her appointment to the Joint Water Sewer Board. The Board needs to fill the vacancy for the Joint City/Township seat and the two entities should coordinate to identify and appoint a suitable individual.

Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Report - Bill Housand

Presented report submitted in the agenda packet. Recommended the City being receiving septage. Downey asked about plans to use the old plant as well as the new plant. Housand responded that it is too expensive to upgrade and maintain the old plant and would not be cost-effective.

Motion made by City Representative Downey, Seconded by Chair/Township Representative Gordon to accept septage. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

Voting Yea: Chair/Township Representative Gordon, City Representative Downey, Township Representative Plank

Water System Report - Scott Desenberg

Presented the report submitted in the agenda packet. Downey thanked Dessenberg for assisting with water spikes in one of his buildings. Dessenberg replaced meters three times once since Downey has owned the

building due to spikes in water usage when no one was in the building. Gordon pointed out that normally when meters are failing, they run slow, not fast.

Summary of Complaints Received for Water and Wastewater - JT Adkerson

Responded to eight complains, combines sewer/storm manholes targeted to be raised. States this would be his last meeting. Downey mentioned there was an open pipe in front of Honor Credit Union. Adkerson stated it is a valve box and sometimes the covers become dislodged.

Adjournment

Being no further business, Gordon adjourned the meeting at 8:03 a.m.

Barbara A. Pitcher, City Clerk

Tom Gordon, Joint Water Sewer Board Chair