



Bay Area Water Treatment Plant
 2701 N. Euclid Avenue
 Bay City, MI 48706

Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee
 September 3, 2020 @ 9:00 A.M. Bay Area Water Treatment Plant via *WebEx Meeting: 132 412 5977*

Partner	Member	Alternate
Charter Township of Bangor	Glenn Rowley	Karie Wardynski
City of Bay City	Bob Dion	Marty Jurish
Bay County Road Commission/ Department of Water & Sewer	Jim Lillo	Ed Rivet
Beaver Township	Steve Gray	Nick Tomczak
City of Essexville	Dan Hansford	Scott Wittbrodt
Frankenlust Township	Ron Campbell (Vice-Chairman)	Jim Begick
Fraser Township	George Augustyniak	Mark Galus
Charter Township of Hampton	Terri Close	Donna Samyn
Kawkawlin Township	Sam Davidson	Greg Petrimoulx
Merritt Township	Dave Schabel	Kathy Parrent
Charter Township of Monitor	Ken Malkin	Cindy Kowalski
City of Pinconning	Dawn Hoder	Yvonne Broderick
Charter Township of Portsmouth	Bob Pawlak	Kevin Kokaly
Charter Township of Williams	Paul Wasek (Chairman)	Tom Putt

1. Call to Order:

Chairman, P. Wasek called the Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee to order at 9:07 a.m.

2. Roll Call - Members Present:

Paul Wasek (Chairman)	Jim Lillo
Ron Campbell (Vice-Chairman)	George Augustyniak
Ken Malkin	Glenn Rowley
Terri Close	Bob Dion

Alternates Present:

Ed Rivet	Marty Jurish
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Others Present:

Bill Bohlen	Ryan Goebel
Bill Schumacher	Jennifer Jones
Keri Christian	

Members Absent:

Bob Pawlak
Dawn Hoder
Steve Gray

Dan Hansford
Dave Schabel
Sam Davidson

3. Approval of Minutes:

G. Augustyniak motioned; G. Rowley supported to approve the July 9, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

4. Public Comment:

None

5. Superintendent Report:

Superintendent, R. Goebel reviewed the July and August daily averages showing a comparison of the past five years. The plant daily averages for the month of July were 9.43 MGD; August was 10.5 MGD. A lot of water supplies throughout the county had a decrease of usage due to the pandemic, however the Bay Area Water System maintained an abundant average flow. As of August 2020, the BAWTP has distributed 1877.76 MG.

Out of the 17 Communities that participated in the 2020 Spring Lead and Copper sampling session; The 90th percentile of lead result ranged from 0 – 4.1 PPB. 14 of the 17 communities had a 90th percentile of 0 PPB. None of the samples were above the Action Level Exceedance. The result numbers continue to decrease indicating that the phosphoric acid used for corrosion control continues to benefit the distribution system.

PFAS sampling will begin annually next year according to the EGLE PFAS Sampling Rule. One plant tap sample is required according to the new regulation. If results are low enough; another sample will not be required until 2022.

Cyanotoxin sampling is being done twice a month, all results at this time have been Not-Detected. The sampling session is July – October.

Per the EGLE Sanitary Survey that was done; EGLE has requested that the Raw Water Tank be inspected. While the raw water tank is down for inspection and cleaning, the BAWTP will be drawing water directly from the Saginaw-Midland pipeline. The raw water tank is scheduled to be cleaned and inspected the last week of September. Power and lights have been installed at each man hole.

Director Report:

Director, B. Bohlen announced that on September 30, 2020 the transfer of ownership on all water towers except for the City of Bay City and Merritt Township will take place. This will be a virtual transaction. Altitude valves are scheduled to be installed at the Monitor and Kawkawlin Township water towers. Bids will be accepted on September 23, 2020.

An update of the pending legal issues and expenses was discussed. Corporate Depositions will be taking place this fall.

6. 2021 Wholesale Water Rates Discussion:

The current 2020 rate is at \$3.09 CCF which includes legal fees. The forecasted 2021 Operational changes have resulted in a \$0.01 increase w/o Capital Projects. The BAWTP is requesting one deserving improvement. Director, B. Bohlen reviewed the 2021 wholesale water rate increase forecast including inflation, operational costs, replacement costs and requested feedback from the Committee. Given the uncertainty of the lawsuit case evaluation which will take place on December 15th and 16th; the 2021 budget is being prepared for the worse-case scenario. The 2021 budget needs to be approved on November 5th by the TAC and then November 18th by the BCRC Board so that the rate increase can be applied to first quarter billing cycles. A lengthy conversation followed and the Committee gave their feedback. Accounting Manager, K. Christian answered questions and explained the projected CCF rate increase.

7. Nominations for Water System Advisory Council:

Three members of the Water System Advisory Council terms end on December 31, 2020. The Council consists of Chairman, R. Campbell; Vice-Chairman, G. Rowley, B. Dion, R. Gromaski and D. Bragiel. The initial appointments for G. Rowley, D. Bragiel and R. Gromaski were two-year terms. All members are interested in remaining on the Council. The TAC recommended keeping all current members which will be for a four-year term from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024.

8. Other Matters:

D. Hoder no longer works for the City of Pinconning. B. Moffit is the new Pinconning City Manager.

9. Public Comment:

T. Close thanked B. Bohlen and K. Christian for their detailed explanation of the wholesale water rate increase and capital improvement summary.


10. Adjourn:

P. Wasek motioned; R. Campbell supported to adjourn meeting at 10:25 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Jones


BAWTP Administrative Assistant

Approved: 

Date: 10-1-20