

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

Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee August 5, 2021 @ 9:00 A.M.

Partner	Member	Alternate
Charter Township of Bangor	Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman)	Karie Wardynski
City of Bay City	Bob Dion	Marty Jurish
Bay County Road Commission/	Jim Lillo	Bill Schumacher
Department of Water & Sewer		
Beaver Township	Nick Tomczak	Tom Meier
City of Essexville	Dan Hansford	Scott Wittbrodt
Frankenlust Township	Ron Campbell (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	Gary Brandt	Terry Spencer
City of Pinconning	Dan Murawski	George Johnson
Charter Township of Portsmouth	Bob Pawlak	Kevin Kokaly
Charter Township of Williams	Will Butterfield	Tom Putt

1. Call to Order:

Chairman; R. Campbell called the Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call - Members Present:

Ron Campbell (Chairman) Jim Lillo

Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman) Will Butterfield

Terri Close Bob Dion

Gary Brandt Dave Schabel

George Augustyniak Dan Hansford

Alternates Present:

Bill Schumacher Marty Jurish

Others Present:

Bill Bohlen Jennifer Schwager

Ryan Goebel Keri Christian

Rachel Charboneau

Members Absent:

Bob Pawlak Dan Murawski

Nick Tomczak Sam Davidson

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Approval of Minutes:

<u>Vice-Chairman; G. Rowley motioned; T. Close supported to approve the July 1, 2021 meeting minutes as presented.</u> Motion was adopted on a roll call vote.

5. Public Comment:

None

6. Superintendent Report:

Superintendent; R. Goebel displayed the July daily flow averages and flow comparison January - July. Due to the increased amount of rain, daily averages were lower than July of 2020.

All lead and copper samples have been collected and the last round is at the lab being analyzed. Currently there have been no action level exceedances.

The raw water tank is almost finished being power washed. A before and after photo was displayed showing a major improvement. Cleaning will begin next week on the finished water tanks. The tanks are scheduled to be cleaned every five years by the maintenance department.

A mixer has been installed at the Fraser water tower. There were no issues while the tower was taken out of service. A photo was displayed of the mixers and R. Goebel gave a detailed explanation of how the mixers operate.

The Farley Rd. water tower is out of service for an interior coating of paint. Since the DWS has taken ownership of the Farley Rd. water tower, groundskeeping repair and maintenance has begun. Quotes were gathered for new fencing due to the damage done by the overgrowth of trees and shrubs. A new fence is being installed and Consumers Energy has cleared the power lines that were engulfed with trees. Additional tree removal is being scheduled. A photo was displayed of the improvements made to the property.

Maintenance Supervisor; Carl Overly recently attended a Membrane Technology Conference in Florida. Information was gathered about membrane cleaning, acid temps and blends to improve membrane washes. R. Goebel added that during the conference Carl was informed that it is highly recommended that treatment plants stay with the original manufacturer of their membranes. Switching manufacturers involves changing numerous mechanisms of the treatment process such as computer programming and SCADA.

EGLE is inspecting the WTP Laboratory for re-certification this month. The inspection is done every three years. During the last inspection the inspector stated that he considers the BAWTP laboratory to be within the top five labs in the state of Michigan.

Director Report:

Director; B. Bohlen discussed and reviewed the transmission rate and wholesale water rate according to the water supply agreement. The transmission rate is based on construction costs. The Commercial Construction Index has increased three points within two months. He and staff are attempting to avoid any increases to the current wholesale water rate. 2022 budgetary numbers will be discussed next month. Fuel escalator charges are being added to chemical supply deliveries due to the unstable oil prices and economy. Capital projects are being prioritized as deemed necessary. Additional water storage tanks have been recommended by EGLE, and funding opportunities are being pursued.

There is one pending legal matter remaining that will be going into mediation.

A request for nominations of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee will be sent out in September and will be elected in October.

Terri Close was nominated to the Water System Advisory Council at the June monthly meeting. She accepted and will complete the term ending in 2021.

- B. Bohlen commended Customer Service Supervisor; Rachel Charboneau and her department for the amazing job done collecting past due debts and arrears on delinquent accounts.
- G. Augustyniak questioned the size of the additional water storage tanks recommended by EGLE.

7. Other Matters:

None

8. Public Comment:

None

9. Adjourn:

D. Schabel motioned; G. Augustyniak supported to adjourn meeting at 9:26 a.m. Motion was adopted on a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted by, Jennifer Schwager

WTP Administrative Assistant