

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

Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee March 2, 2023 @ 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	Craig Goulet	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	Becky Lakin	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) Gary Brandt Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman) Terri Close

Jim Lillo George Augustyniak

Alternates Present:

Marty Jurish Donna Samyn

Others Present:

Bill Bohlen Keri Christian
Ryan Goebel Jennifer Schwager
Ed Rivet

Members Absent:

Nick Tomczak Dave Schabel Bob Pawlak

Craig Goulet

Will Butterfield

Sam Davidson

Becky Lakin

Bob Dion

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Approval of Minutes:

<u>Vice-Chairman</u>; G. Rowley motioned to approve the February 2, 2023 minutes as presented. T. <u>Close supported the motion</u>. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment:

None

6. Superintendent/Director Report:

Superintendent; R. Goebel announced that the 2023 Capital Project to replace pipe supports has been postponed due to the high-priced bids received. All bids were rejected. The project will most likely be divided between 2024 and 2025 due to the construction costs.

The filter bypass that was to be a part of the 2023 Capital Projects has been added to the 2022 pipe support project. (a photo was displayed) This bypass has been approved by EGLE and will be used only if there is ever a catastrophic emergency. This additional project is scheduled to be completed before the high-flow season.

The new Euclid flow meter is scheduled to be installed this month.

A staffing update was presented. Six out of the thirteen BAWTP employees will be taking State Waterworks System Operator exams in May.

The DWS continues to team up with SVSU to generate positive water quality marketing ideas. An online customer questionnaire is in the process of being created to get customer feedback. This will be a continuous process moving forward. The questionnaire will be made available on the DWS website and to any interested community in the Bay Area Water System.

The draft 2022 Customer Confidence Report has been submitted to EGLE and the Bay Area Water System Operators in Charge. This year the DWS will be including a bill stuffer notification. A draft was displayed.

- M. Jurish asked about flushing when the Euclid flow meter is replaced.
- G. Brandt inquired about the process of the Euclid flow meter replacement.
- G. Brandt requested a copy of the online customer questionnaire link in order to post it on the Monitor Township website.

Director Report:

Director; B. Bohlen stated that the BCRC has approved the addition of the Whites Beach area in Standish Township. The contract amendment is in the course of obtaining the required signatures from the Saginaw-Midland Water Supply Corporation.

Fall 2023 reminders will be issued for Township Project Invoices to be turned in for processing before DWS year-end activities commence in January 2024.

Hampton Township and the DWS are in active discussion regarding the potential of having township water and sewer services transferred to the DWS.

A tap water media story from another state was discussed.

7. Other Matters:

Vice-Chairman; G. Rowley commented on senate bills from the legislature that involves adding additional fees to water/sewer bills. He suggested the Technical Advisory Committee create a draft resolution to prevent these additional charges to the Bay Area Water System customers; focusing on the importance of water affordability.

- G. Augustyniak requested an update on the HydroCorp cross-connection inspections.
- T. Close mentioned the resources available for customers struggling to pay their water/sewer bills.

8. Public Comment:

None

9. Adjourn:

M. Jurish motioned to adjourn the meeting. G. Augustyniak supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

Jennifer Schwager

WTP Administrative Assistant

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