

Clarksburg Sanitary Board
Regular Meeting
May 13, 2025

The Regular meeting of the Clarksburg Sanitary Board was held on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 3:30 P.M. at the Clarksburg Municipal Building, 2nd Floor, City Council Chambers, 222 West Main Street, Clarksburg, West Virginia, with Tiffany Fell, Chairman.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tiffany Fell, Chairman
Frank Ferrari, Board Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Tim Stranko, Sanitary Board Attorney
Drew Eddy, Superintendent – WWTP
Anthony Ugo, The Thrasher Group
Jason Lane, City Engineer
Kelly Cross, Recording Secretary
Will Hyman, City Council Representative

ABSENT:

Dan Ferrell, The Thrasher Group
Kim Karakiozis, Finance Director

With roll call taken upon arrival, Tiffany Fell, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

MOTION to APPROVE APRIL 8, 2025, MINUTES from the Regular Meeting was made by Frank Ferrari and **SECONDED** by Tiffany Fell and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

SANITARY BOARD/MS4: PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS:

DISCUSSIONS/UPDATES:

LTCP PHASE V-A (T20-11065)

- The fourth construction progress meeting for the project was held last Thursday (May 8th) at the project field office.
- The large hole/pit at the triangle section has been repaired and the sanitary sewer was tied-in appropriately. We are still awaiting costs from the Contractor on this repair. Once we receive costs, we will work with WVDOH to be reimbursed for some of the flowable fill we used for the repair.
- Contractor has completed all sanitary sewer work in the triangle intersection. There is still some stormwater work left to do before the Sanitary Board's work within the intersection is complete.

- The Contractor is now progressing up Pike Street. We made it through the contaminated soils area on Pike Street, but we encountered more soil than we anticipated during design as the contamination plume had migrated further out into the road.
- The Contractor has encountered some lateral sewer connections which are larger than 4-inches in diameter.
 - The Contractor will connect larger lateral lines with the correct sized lines; however, they will incur more cost by performing a larger tie-in and laying larger pipe.
 - To remedy this, we will need to consider providing the Contractor additional items via a Change Order to track and bill for the work properly.
- The Contractor has provided pricing to repair the damaged sewer near the bus garage. The quote is for \$30,000.
 - Sanitary Board plans to pay for this work from the R&R budget, separate from the sewer contract work.
- Pay Application #3 from the Contractor will be presented today.
 - Pay Application #3 includes the sanitary sewer work within the triangle intersection.
 - Pay App #3 totals **\$231,088.50**.

LTCP PHASE V-B (T20-11082)

- Anthony to review current plan progress with Drew.

RT. 19 SEWER ISSUE (020-10146)

- Resubmitting to IJDC with revised documentation.

ARLINGTON SEWER EXTENSION (020-10146)

- Contract 1 – USACE Funded / Arlington
 - USACE comments returned. Expecting 45 to 60 days for USACE review.
 - We will need to hire a ROW Agent to assist in the acquisition of 67 easements.
- Contract 2 – WVDEP Funded / Gore & Edgewood
 - Still working on finalizing Rt. 19 Sewer issue before design is finalized.

WOLF SUMMIT SEWER EXTENSION NOTES

- Thrasher to design, bid, and manage construction for sewer extension from Clarksburg's existing sewer system near Minard's to the north side of North Ohio Avenue for the future tie-in of Wolf Summit's power plant.
- The agreement brought for consideration today includes:
 - Basic/General Services – for Design, Bidding, Construction, and Post Construction.
 - Total of \$160,000.00.

- Additional Services – Engineering Surveys, ROW Survey, Geotechnical, Construction Stakeout, and Permitting.
 - Total of \$70,000.00.
 - RPR/Inspection Services
 - Total of \$50,000.00
 - **Total Agreement amount of \$280,000.00.**
- Agreement approved pending review by the Sanitary Board’s attorney.
 - Thrasher will not begin work until 1) the agreement is fully executed and 2) Wolf Summit has deposited the agreement amount with the Sanitary Board.

THRASHER INVOICE NOTES

- 020-10146 – WFCO Arlington Sewer Extension – \$40,000.00.
 - Remainder of Preliminary Design.
- T20-11065 – LTCP Phase V-A – \$19,260.46.
 - Engineering During Construction and RPR Services, plus remainder of credit for overbill.
- T20-11082 – LTCP Phase V-B – \$64,250.00
 - Preliminary Design and Environmental Report

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE PAY APPLICATION #3 FOR LTCP PHASE V-A

MOTION to APPROVE Pay Application #3 for LTCP Phase V-A in the amount of \$231,088.50 was made by Frank Ferrari and **SECONDED** by Tiffany Fell and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THRASHER INVOICE FOR LTCP PHASE V-A

MOTION to APPROVE THRASHER INVOICE FOR LTCP PHASE V-A in the amount of \$19,260.460 was made by Frank Ferrari and **SECONDED** by Tiffany Fell and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THRASHER INVOICE FOR LTCP PHASE V-B

MOTION to APPROVE THRASHER INVOICE FOR LTCP PHASE V-B in the amount of \$64,250.00 was made by Frank Ferrari and **SECONDED** by Tiffany Fell and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THRASHER INVOICE FOR ARLINGTON SEWER EXTENSION

MOTION to APPROVE THRASHER INVOICE FOR ARLINGTON SEWER EXTENSION in the amount of \$40,000.00 was made by Frank Ferrari and **SECONDED** by Tiffany Fell and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR WOLF SUMMIT ENERGY SEWER EXTENSION

MOTION to APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR WOLF SUMMIT ENERGY SEWER EXTENSION per the review and approval of Mr. Stranko made by Frank Ferrari and **SECONDED** by Tiffany Fell and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**.

Mr. Stranko stated that the Public Service Commission has approved the Wolf Summit Energy Sewer Extension, and the project is moving forward. These are pay forward contracts so the developer is going to put the cost for planning, design etc. into our bank account and we will pay the invoices as they come in.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH INDEPENDENT ENTERPRISES, INC. FOR THE REPAIR OF THE SEWER LINE UNDER THE CENTRA BUS GARAGE TO NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000, PAID OUT OF THE SANITARY BOARD R&R FUNDS

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REPORTS:

Tiffany Fell, Chairman: No report.

Mr. Ferrari, Board Member: Mr. Ferrari inquired as to the status of finding another board member. Discussion on maybe changing the charter so that the board member did not have to be an engineer. Going to expand our search to business owners or someone that has ties to the city.

Kim Karakiozis, Treasurer: Absent.

Drew Eddy, Supt. W.W.T.P: Mr. Eddy stated that the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) will be submitted for the Month of April 2025 with no violations to report. The process treated approximately 319 million gallons of wastewater. We received an additional 299,525 gallons of septage and generated \$11,970.35 of revenue from all sources.

- We have received our new NPDES Permit. We are working with Mr. Tim Stranko and reaching out to Steptoe and Johnson about some problems with the permit.
- We will be testing the West Fork River up from the Plant for the next 10 months for Fluoride.

Sewer Update

- We have received our new wheel pump, and we are still waiting on the camera and trailer. The camera and trailer delivery date will be sometime Aug-Oct of this year.
- We are working on finding the main line to tie in a new garage going in over in Broadway.
- We have worked on Taftarosa Drive locating the sewer lines, making spot repairs, and tapping in the new house to the sewer system. Thrasher will come out, investigate the lines, and map out the sewer lines on the map.
- Josh Oldaker was named the new Foreman of the Sewer Department. The Foremen are now required to be assigned to a crew each day.
- 2 out of 3 issues we are working on handling are to be completed. The old CSO034 Box sewer line will be lined and paid for through the upgrade. The Bus Garage repair will be paid for by the R & R Funds.

Budget

- All major purchases are completed for this fiscal year in the Sanitary Board.
- Continuing to work on the planning of the 25-26 Fiscal Year Budget. Revising what was presented previously to take into account the price increases, Tariffs, and other problems that have come about. Budget should be completed and sent to Finance for review in the coming weeks.

Larry Yoders, Superintendent Public Works: No report.

Tim Stranko, Sanitary Board Attorney: Mr. Stranko stated that the NPDES Permit final proposed permit was received from WV DEP with the returned comments. We are testing the West Fork River for the next 10 months to have the fluoride limit changed with the new dilution limit. We will ask for a permit MOD in the future. If we are denied, we have 3 years to implement a treat process for Fluoride. Tim suggests us hiring an Environmental Lawyer to handle this. Tim suggests hiring Marc Bryson from Steptoe and Johnson.

We will be appealing verbiage in the permit that was ruled against by the Supreme Court in California. This is an “end-result” requirement that is not authorized by the Clean Water Act. Supreme Court in City and County of San Francisco V. EPA (March 4, 2025) ruled this type of verbiage is not allowed.

F.3.a of NPDES Permit- To the extent provided by law, the discharge from the permittee’s CSOs shall not cause or contribute to an in-stream excursion above any numeric or narrative criteria developed and adopted as part of the WV water quality standards.

Dan Ferrell, The Thrasher Group: Absent.

Anthony Urgo, The Thrasher Group: Nothing further.

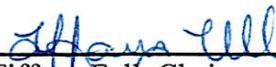
Jason Lane, City Engineer: Reiterated the importance of obtaining building permits through the Code Enforcement Office when dealing with situations that have to do with the Sanitary Board.

Situations could have been handled more efficiently if building permits would have been obtained before starting construction.

Also, Mr. Lane would like to thank the general public for their patience in dealing with all the construction currently taking place throughout the city.

Will Hyman, Councilman: Mr. Hyman stated that his wife works for Hope Gas, and she is going to send out an email and see if there may be someone at the gas company that could sit on the board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, **MOTION** by Frank Ferrari, **SECONDED** by Tiffany Fell and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** for adjournment of the meeting.



Tiffany Fell, Chairman



Frank Ferrari, Board Member



Approved