

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Allenton Sanitary District Commission was called to order by Chairman Bingen at 7:00 PM. This meeting has been properly noticed. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Members present: President Bob Bingen; Commissioners, Ron Hefter, Gary Karnitz, Dan Wolf, Jeff Infalt; Secretary Wendy Fairbanks; Treasurer Brenda Kaehler. MCO representative Dave Maule was present. Nine other people were also present during the meeting.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion by Hefter to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded by Karnitz. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of January 16, 2025, Allenton Sanitary District meeting were reviewed. Motion by Wolf to approve the minutes. Seconded by Infalt. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF BILLS AND AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT: Bills for payment were reviewed. Hefter questioned why we are being charged sales tax on some of the items purchased on the credit card. Maule and Kaehler to work on getting set up as tax exempt from these vendors as soon as possible. Motion by Infalt to approve check numbers 11637 through 11652 for Summit Credit Union, check numbers 10369 through 10371 for National Exchange Bank, and electronic payments as listed, in the amount of \$45,083.56. Seconded by Karnitz. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF TREASURER'S REPORT AND RECONCILIATION: The Treasurer's report and bank reconciliations for the month of January 2025 were reviewed. Motion by Hefter to approve the Treasurer's report and reconciliations as presented. Seconded by Karnitz. Motion carried unanimously.

MIDWEST CONTRACT OPERATIONS REPORT: Dave Maule was present from MCO. Maule gave the report for last month. On the wastewater side Maule stated that on 1/27/25 – 1/28/25 both generators were serviced and load tested by Total Energy. On the Mobile generator – coolant hoses and belts are dry rotted and cracked. Total Energy recommended that we maintenance the entire cooling system and replace all belts. Maule agreed as he is unable to find proof of this ever being done in the past. On the Plant generator – spark plug wires were arcing against the exhaust manifold. As a result, Total Energy was unable to finish the load testing. I ordered new plug wires, spark plugs, and insulated boots. Once these are replaced, Total Energy will finish the load testing. On 1/29/25 Pre-lube filters on the lift station pumps were replaced.

PFAS Update: On 2/18/25 Sludge testing was completed that was requested by Winnebago Landfill. Within a few weeks we should officially be approved to dispose of our sludge. Rich with FSO would like to tentatively schedule the digester cleaning for May. We do not have enough sludge storage to hold off much longer. Allenton Metal Finishing tested negative for PFAS. To verify that PFAS is present in our collection system, we completed a 24-hour comp sample on our influent at the Plant. We, also, began sampling the collection system starting at the center of Town and working our way out. This should be finished by the end of April and will schedule in May to do the clean out.

On the water side, on 2/10/25 GPS located a majority of the water mains and valves in town. This will be uploaded to Diamond Maps and will allow MCO to accurately map the water utilities. Once the snow melts, Maule will GPS locate the rest of the system. On 2/11/25 Hydro Corp completed commercial cross connection inspections in town. Maule will follow up with property owners once he receives the report from Hydro Corp. on 2/12/25 chemicals were delivered for both wells. Well 1 needs new load cells. Maule received quotes from Hawkins, Martell, and William/Reed. Hawkins was significantly less expensive – around \$2000.00. The new portable sampler that Maule ordered has shipped. Maule has asked Total Energy for an itemized list for the quote they gave of \$5,858.41 for the Mobile Generator, cooling system and belts.

Motion by Wolf for Maule to have Hawkins provide and install new load cells for Well 1. Seconded by Infalt. Motion carried unanimously.

The Allenton Sanitary District sign off sheet for use by Washington County was reviewed. Motion by Karnitz to approve as presented. Seconded by Hefter. Motion carried unanimously.

Hydro Corp contract renewal was reviewed. Motion by Wolf to approve as presented. Seconded by Hefter. Motion carried unanimously.

Integration with Government Window & Workhorse for utility payments was presented by Kaehler. Not much information at this time as they are just starting to get this implemented. Motion by Hefter to table until more information is available. Seconded by Infalt. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Infalt. Seconded by Karnitz. Motion carried unanimously at 7:30 p.m.

Brenda Kaehler, Treasurer
Allenton Sanitary District