

LOWELL/CEDAR LAKE
JOINT MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT BOARD (JMOB) MEETING
MAY 9, 2006

The meeting of the Lowell-Cedar Lake Joint Management and Oversight Board (JMOB) was called to order at 1:12 p.m. by Chairman, Ed Robinson . Members present were: Consulting Engineer Mark Downey from Lowell, Consulting Engineer Sandra Joseph, from Cedar Lake, Representative Randy Santy from Lowell and Representative Ed Robinson, from Cedar Lake. Also present was WWTP Superintendent Terry Wright.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Randy Santy made a motion to approve the agenda with the following change: to add under new business disposal of sludge from Lake Dale Regional Waste District. Seconded by Mark Downey. Motion was carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Downey made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2006 meeting, seconded by Randy Santy. Motion was carried by voice vote.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

February, March and April Operations – WWTP Superintendent, Terry Wright reviewed the monthly reports, of which the April report is attached hereto and made a part hereof. He reported on treatment plant flow. He reported on the two violations in April of which were e-coli. They are still working the bugs out of the new UV system. The system is being operated manually until Trojan service representative is able to make all the needed adjustments.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase II Project is about 97% complete. The plant is now operating through the new systems. Some of the systems need minor adjustments to obtain maximum results and efficiency. All in all the project has been a huge success. Terry reported they welcome any and all members of the Councils and Joint Management Board to come out and take a tour of the plant.

Ed Robinson asked about the West Gate coming into the Equalization Basin complex if there were any problems with the key pads or remotes. Terry stated yes. Terry stated the key pad outside the first gate does not work. The remote works. The second gate key pad works but the remote does not. It was decided to look into removing the key pads and remotes and go to a manual gate. The warranty on these is over, it has been more than a year. Ed asked Terry to get an estimate on the gate, to be split and open both ways with rollers on both sides. Ed asked how long it will take to drain the basins down. Terry stated that the large one is almost empty and the little one won't take long at all.

Right now he has to go slow because of algae growth. If he turns on the aerators there would be white foam all over because the solids are at the bottom of the tank. They turn them on once in a while, but most of the time they are off. Ed asked about the manholes and interceptor. Terry stated they found two manholes on the 30" interceptor before it ties into Lowell. The grass is too tall and difficult to find. Ed requested in the fall when the foliage starts to die away have the inspector do an inspection out there. Terry reported on a small problem. There are 5 meters under the new project, one of them happens to be the influent to the plant, the other 5 mean nothing as far as the flow goes for the two communities. The one meter that comes from the plant cannot be calibrated by the current calibration company. Still waiting on letter from Anderson stating that it has been calibrated and still has not received the letter.

LOWELL ENGINEERS REPORT

WWTP Phase II Project - The Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase II is about 97% complete. Everything seems to be working, just need some fine adjustments. May need to add some more bulbs for disinfecting. Right now close to on line for the \$251,000.00 quarterly budget.

CEDAR LAKE ENGINEER'S REPORT

No report was given.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Status of the repairs on the interceptor, already discussed. Ed would like to get together with Terry, Greg, Bill and himself to try to get a maintenance plan together.

Proposal for a new roof over sludge holding area: This is for both beds. Would like to hold off till the project is complete.

Lake Dale Regional Waste System: Stan Lee. He first informed the board that Terri Stoner announced her retirement. She will stay on until a replacement is found.

The request is to know if they could deposit the sludge in the Lowell Treatment Plant. Currently they are hauled to a plant further away. This is digested sludge. The cost would be so much per gallon. Bruce Septic would be doing the hauling. The charge would be from the Lowell Plant for handling the sludge. It was suggested that Mr. Lee contact Greg Shook to check the pricing.

PUBLIC COMMENT;

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Randy Santy. The motion was seconded by Sandra Joseph. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Sheehy