

**GLOVERSVILLE-JOHNSTOWN JOINT SEWER BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
March 9, 2022**

The Gloversville-Johnstown Joint Sewer Board (GJJSB) held a meeting in the Boardroom of the Gloversville-Johnstown Joint Wastewater Treatment Facility on Wednesday, March 9, 2022.

The meeting was called to order at 7:17 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Bobbi Trudel	Chair
Christopher Vose	Vice Chair
Bradley Hayner	Member
Donald Schwartz	Member
John Rizzo	Member
Wallace Arnold	Manager-Wastewater Programs
Mark Levendusky	Laboratory Director
Hilary Ruzыcky	Administrative Aide
Donna Renda	Consultant

ABSENT

Wrandy Siarkowski	Secretary
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FEBRUARY 2022 MEETING MINUTES

The Board approved the February 9, 2022 meeting minutes on a motion made by Mr. Vose, seconded by Mr. Schwartz, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was discussed: No. 21

PLANT OPERTIONS

Noncompliance Event: Settleable Solids

Plant Manager Arnold reported the limit of 0.1 ml/L for recorded settleable solids in the effluent Imhoff cone was exceeded on February 23, 2022. The recorded value was 2.5 ml/L. The noncompliance event occurred after the failure of gravity belt thickeners followed by increased wastage to reduce solids inventory. An intense rainfall with snow melt water pushed solids rapidly through the plant. The event was reported to NYS DEC on February 24, 2022.

Asset Management Program

Plant Manager Arnold reported the NYS DEC and Environmental Facilities Corporation are soliciting up to 50 volunteer municipalities to participate in an Asset Management Program. Municipalities will work with a firm to develop and implement a program in accordance with DEC's Asset Management Guide for Publicly Owned Treatment Works. There are no out-of-pocket costs to participants. On a motion made by Mr. Vose, seconded by Mr. Schwartz, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board endorsed efforts to pursue the State's Asset Management initiative with application submittal due by March 14, 2022.

INDUSTRIAL COMPLIANCE

Request for Transfer of Permit: Century Linen & Uniform

Laboratory Director Levendusky reported Century Linen & Uniform, Inc. submitted a *Request for Transfer of Permit* for their businesses located at Balzano Drive in Gloversville, N. Main Street in Gloversville, and N. Perry Street in Johnstown. Century Linen & Uniform, Inc. proposes to change their company name at all three locations to Century Linen & Uniform, LLC. On a motion made by Mr. Rizzo, seconded by Mr. Vose, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board approved amending Permit No. 113, 135, & 232 to reflect a company name change from Century Linen & Uniform, Inc. to Century Linen & Uniform, LLC.

Sewer Bill Protest: 167 Bleecker Street, Gloversville

Consultant Renda reviewed a second request for sewer bill adjustment for excess water usage for property located at 167 Bleecker Street in Gloversville. Plant Manager Arnold conducted an inspection of the premises. On a motion made by Mr. Vose, seconded by Mr. Rizzo, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board approved a credit of \$516.87 since the water did not enter the sewer system to be treated.

Sewer Bill Protest: 52 Union Street, Gloversville

Consultant Renda reviewed a request for sewer bill adjustment for excess water usage for property located at 52 Union Street in Gloversville. On a motion made by Mr. Vose, seconded by Mr. Schwartz, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board denied a credit since permission to inspect the premises was not granted.

BUDGET/PURCHASE/AUDIT

Authorize Purchase: Cargo Van

Consultant Renda requested Board approval to solicit bids for a cargo van for the Monitoring Department through NYS Office of General Services, per the 2022 Capital Plan. On a motion made by Mr. Vose, seconded by Mr. Rizzo, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board authorized the solicitation of bids for a cargo van through NYS Office of General Services to be used by the Monitoring Department.

Authorize Bidding: Potassium Permanganate

Plant Manager Arnold requested Board approval to seek bids for the supply and delivery of potassium permanganate. On a motion made by Mr. Rizzo, seconded by Mr. Vose, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board authorized to advertise bids for a two (2) year contract for the supply and delivery of potassium permanganate.

ATTACHMENTS

Wastewater Programs Report, Annual Trends/Comparison Report, and 2022 O&M Expenditure Reports were reviewed per Attachments No. 1, 2, & 3.

O&M purchase orders and disbursement sheets totaling \$199,692.08 were approved for payment on a motion made by Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Hayner, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed.

OLD BUSINESS

Route 30/30A Corridor Study

Plant Manager Arnold reported that he and Consultant Renda met with Travis Mitchell of Environmental Design Partnership and Scott Henze from the Fulton County Planning Department to review progress on the sewer extension proposal for the Route 30/30A corridor. The study is nearly complete. Some concerns were raised by the County regarding outside user fees. Future discussion on rates shall include both cities and the Joint Sewer Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Ground Water Discharge: Johnstown Gulf Station

Laboratory Director Levendusky reported a contractor from Alpha Geoscience is seeking to discharge water to the sanitary sewer from a tank upgrade project underway at the Johnstown Gulf petroleum station on S. Comrie Avenue in Johnstown. A petroleum spill was discovered during tank excavation and reported to NYS DEC. Three (3) frac tanks of water (approximately 60,000 gallons) were generated from the site. Lab Director Levendusky reviewed an analytical report on water samples collected when the spill was detected. On a motion made by Mr. Rizzo, seconded by Mr. Vose, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board approved discharge to the sanitary sewer of three (3) frac tanks of water generated from a tank upgrade project at the Johnstown Gulf petroleum station on S. Comrie Avenue in Johnstown, at the remediation wastewater rate of \$0.006/gallon.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Public Officers Law – Section (f)

On a motion made by Mr. Vose, seconded by Mr. Swartz, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the full Board, Manager Arnold, and Consultant Renda went into executive session at 8:06 P.M. to discuss matters leading to the employment of particular person.

On a motion made by Mr. Vose, seconded by Mr. Hayner, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board came out of executive session at 8:14 P.M.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M. on a motion made by Mr. Rizzo, seconded by Mr. Hayner, carried five (5) in favor, one (1) absent, and none (0) opposed.

The next regular meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Wrandy L. Siarkowski, GJJSB Secretary