

Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Plainview Water District was held in the District office on Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

Present: Marc B. Laykind, Chairman
Andrew N. Bader, Treasurer
Amanda R. Field, Secretary
Maria Albano, Clerk to the Board
Michael Ingham, Attorney
James Neri, Engineer
Stephen Moriarty, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

Commissioner Laykind opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence and lab data were reviewed in the Board update.

The Board approved and signed payroll checks.

The Board dispensed with the regular order of business to meet with Carole Green of 19 Wayne Drive, Plainview. Ms. Green reported that she had a pinhole leak last weekend and had the pipe replaced. Ms. Greene is very concerned about pinhole leaks in the community and money that has to be spent on repairs. Ms. Greene requested to know what is being done to address the problem. Commissioner Laykind responded that the District is working tirelessly on the issue. Professional engineers have been retained to work on the problem. Commissioner Laykind suggested that Ms. Greene remain at the meeting to listen to the report from the engineer. Many people believe that this issue has occurred overnight however the District is of the belief it has not. The District's engineers and Superintendent suspect it may be a byproduct of treatment changes made several years back. Also, the problem is not unique to Plainview Water District. It seems to be happening here in greater numbers, but it can be assured that it is not unique to Plainview-Old Bethpage. Seemingly, in less numbers, it is occurring throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties and throughout the Country. Commissioner Laykind assured that Plainview Water District is working tirelessly on the issue and will not stop until it is under control. Corrosion is always going to be happening. Commissioner Laykind stated that the District needs to limit its effects on its residents. Commissioner Laykind inquired of Ms. Greene if she filled out a survey. Ms. Greene responded "yes".

Engineer Neri reported that 1600 surveys have been entered into spreadsheets and there doesn't appear to be any sort of trends. The engineers are now starting to look at it spacially. Alkalinity has been discussed as a contributory factor. The District has been making treatment changes at some of the plants with Health Department approval. There are now three plants using higher alkalinity and the District is hoping to have all of the wells operating with higher alkalinity. It is not known if the alkalinity is going to be the solution. The Nassau County Health Department would need to approve the addition of

any chemical treatment. The water is safe to drink. There is no correlation between leaks in pipes and the quality of the water.

Ms. Blezow-Yulet is a Plainview resident and her home suffered severe damage from pinholes. She stated that since fifty (50) feet of pipe has been replaced in her home, she has not had any more leaks. Ms. Blezow-Yulet said that she's been hearing from a number of residents who filled out a survey and now have other pinhole leaks. Ms. Blezow-Yulet instructed the residents to fill out another survey. Ms. Blezow-Yulet stated that since the pinholes subsided in her home she did notice a new pole and transformer in her backyard. Ms. Blezow-Yulet did contact PSEG to confirm. Also, Ms. Blezow-Yulet inquired if there is a way one meeting a month can be moved to a later time. The Board responded that recent board meetings have run past 9:00 pm. If a resident has any concern they can come by the District at any time during the meeting. The Town of Oyster Bay meets at 10:00 am. Other Districts typically meet either early morning or early afternoon. This can be confirmed on their websites. The District is open to residents concerns and can be approached at any time, not just at Board meetings.

At 6:35 pm the Board returned to Regular Session.

MICHAEL INGHAM'S REPORT – ATTORNEY:

Attorney Ingham reported that the agreement with Professor Edwards was finalized. The next move is to start by transferring a good portion of the data. Water quality can be shared with the Professor and a video conference can be scheduled. We can discuss what we have done with the alkalinity. Attorney Ingham will send Professor Edwards a fully executed copy of the agreement and request his availability.

Attorney Ingham reported that a memorandum was prepared regarding discussions with Country Pointe. There were a few minor changes which had to be memorialized. It is requested that the Board review said memorandum. Supt. Moriarty to review the addendum to Phase 2 for the Board's signature.

JAMES NERI'S REPORT – ENGINEER:

Engineer Neri met with a representative from Bowne regarding the master metering issue at Country Pointe. Engineer Neri put together a pro vs con statement and sent it over to Supt. Moriarty. Engineer Neri recommends that the pro vs con statement be included in this week's board update.

Engineer Neri reported that the water main on Old Country Road is moving along satisfactorily although the contractors have a heavy week of night work. There was a minor fender bender at the site where a car rolled into a ditch on Old Country Road. No police report.

Engineer Neri updated the Board as it relates to final payment of the Plant 6 Rehabilitation project. Correspondence was transmitted to the Town of Oyster Bay.

Engineer Neri reported that the leak at the ground storage tank at Plant No. 7 is repaired. Bacteriological sample came back good and the tank should be backfed with distribution water.

Engineer Neri reported that a draft copy of the water supply statement was sent to Supt. Moriarty who provided comments. New York State requires that UCMR data be reported. Paul Ponturo is waiting for a call back from the State as to how to be compliant.

Engineer Neri updated the Board as it relates to the water conservation plan. Engineer Neri reported that he met with the Superintendent and staff and is awaiting comments from the Superintendent.

STEPHEN MORIARTY'S REPORT – SUPERINTENDENT:

Supt. Moriarty provided the Board with a revised organization chart. The only change was the Superintendent position.

Supt. Moriarty provided the Board with the backflow reminder letter. The Board reviewed and provided comments to said letter. After discussion, the Board of Commissioners approved the backflow reminder letter.

Supt. Moriarty and the Board discussed the District's annual poster contest. After discussion, the Board requested the District continue in its tradition of scheduling an annual poster contest.

MARIA ALBANO'S REPORT – CLERK TO THE BOARD:

Ms. Albano reported that the following vendor checks were reviewed, approved and signed by the Board:

- Check nos. 44477 through 44499 dated April 4, 2017
- Check nos. 44504 through 44522 dated April 11, 2017
- Check nos. 44523 through 44525 dated April 12, 2017.

Ms. Albano requested Board approval and authorization to transfer funds to cover dental claim costs:

- Dental claim dated March 28, 2017 and April 4, 2017.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the dental claims dated March 28, 2017 and April 4, 2017 and authorized funds be transferred into the District's dental benefit account.

Ms. Albano requested the Board review and approve the documents to be sent to Newsday as it relates to their FOIL request. The Board will review and approve the request prior to responding.

Ms. Albano reported that a worker's compensation audit was conducted which resulted in a return premium in the amount of \$4,618.00. The credit will be applied to future payments.

Ms. Albano reported that minutes of prior meetings are available for the Board's review and approval.

At 7:45 pm a motion was made to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

At 9:40 pm Executive Session ended and the Board returned to Regular Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned with a call to the Chair at 9:45 pm.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF NASSAU) ss.:
PLAINVIEW WATER DISTRICT)

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of the Plainview Water District, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York, do hereby certify that the above-mentioned and p contained is a true copy of the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Commissioners held in the District office on Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the seal of the Plainview Water District on this day of September, 2017.



MARC B. LAYKIND, CHAIRMAN



ANDREW N. BADER, TREASURER



AMANDA R. FIELD, SECRETARY