

TECHNICAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE
Minutes - Monthly Meeting
WTRRF Conference Room - 700 Doty Street
Tuesday 1:30 PM, June 15, 2021

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call –Paul DeVries, Cody Schoepke, Ben Propson, Nick Leonard, and Eric Otte.

Approval of May Minutes– A motion was made by Nick Leonard and seconded by Cody Schoepke to approve the May 2021 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

Communication Session

Reports on:

- **Correspondence Relating to the Regional Wastewater System**
◊None
- **Records Exchange – Update of Contact List**
◊Mitch Vis has been promoted to Director of Public Works for the Village of North Fond du Lac. Mitch will continue to attend the TSC meetings.
- **Sewer or System Improvements Anticipated, in Progress or Completed (Extensions or Rehabilitations)**
◊Paul reported the Doty Street project is ongoing. Paving on several short sections of other streets is complete. There will be a small lining project to be bid in July, with work to be completed in 2021.
◊Eric reported that Town of Taycheedah SD#1 will be keeping their existing generator and installing new VFD's, instead of installing a new generator.
◊Eric reported that Calumet Sanitary District. They previously completed a project for lift station #1 and plan to upgrade lift stations 2, 3 and 4, due in part to growth and summer cottages now turned in to year round homes.
◊Eric said the manhole lining project in CT Highway W had begun and now has been postponed.
◊Green Bay Pipe is doing the cleaning and televising for various sanitary districts.
- **FP or RSAP Amendments Anticipated, in Progress or Completed**
◊None
- **Metering and Sampling**
◊Cody reported that the new VEGA meter in Johnsburg is working properly and has been calibrated. WTRRF personnel will receive training on commissioning, troubleshooting, calibrating, and performing data collection on the instrument.
◊Meter calibrations for the 2nd quarter will be conducted on 6/24/21.
- **Clearwater Reduction Fund Status and Party Activity**
◊None
- **Receive Sewer Project Closeout Records and Shared Sewer Cost Calculations**
◊None
- **Distribute Updates to Regional Sewer Design and Constructions Standards and TGM Revisions**

◇None

Technical Session – Consent Agenda

Review as needed:

- **Review and evaluate new products and technology for incorporation into the standard specifications.**
- **Monitor the assessment, accumulation and use of the Clearwater Reduction Funds**
- **Maintain procedures and protocol for compliance with the Agreement**
- **Review and recommend proposed changes, revisions, clarifications, and amendments to the Parties regarding the Agreement and the TGM**
- **Consider and decide requests for specification waivers**
- **Prepare appropriate specification amendments**
- **Review shared sewer cost calculations for compliance with TGM procedures**
Conduct review of proposed revisions to the 2000 RSAP to identify potential regional impacts

Additional Items

- **WTRRF Operations Update**
 - ◇Ben reported that three of the four final clarifiers have been taken down and cleaned. The fourth clarifier will have a baffle system installed on that clarifier later this summer and if that produces results then the baffling may be installed on the remaining final clarifiers.
 - ◇Interviews are being conducted for the vacant Operator position.
 - ◇WTRRF personnel received on-site training from Sanitaire on the OSCAR system. OSCAR is the control system used in the aeration basins.
 - ◇In flow was discovered while C & M personnel were jetting a line. There was a broken sewer clean-out located under a water utility valve in a parking lot. Since there was no cover on the sewer cleanout, this allowed for the parking lot to be drained into the sewer. C & M personnel will make the necessary repairs.
 - ◇Cody reported that the contractor is on-site to perform work related to the HPO tank that will be used to accept additional carbon source.
- **2000 Wastewater Agreement Revisions**
 - ◇Paul sent the RSAP, in advance of today's meeting, with updated district boundaries and growth areas. Paul said it's ready for review by the OSG members and can be shared.
 - ◇Exhibit 1 is almost completed. There is still a population question with Town of Fond du Lac SD#3. Eric will get confirmation on the number.
 - ◇Cody completed the updates to the Clearwater Investment Form.
 - ◇Eric said all sanitary districts were requested to provide their existing populations. Eric will follow up with those districts that have not responded yet.
 - ◇The City Attorney has reviewed the changes to the proposed Wastewater Agreement and had a few questions. Cody and Paul will work with her, then forward those comments/proposed changes to John St. Peter and Matt Parmentier for their review.
 - ◇Nick said John St. Peter is reviewing the proposed changes to the Wastewater Agreement and will reply with comments when he completes his review.
 - ◇The TGM will be reviewed and updated on an ongoing bases. There is no deadline for this as it's not part of the Wastewater Agreement.

- **PFAS Survey**

- ◊Cody reported that a survey had been sent out to industries in our pretreatment program as part of the Facility Master Plan to find out if they were aware of PFAS and if any of them had PFAS materials in their processes.

- ◊The WDNR is looking at potential limits in the future, and likely will start with water limits before wastewater limits. The proposed limits are 20-70 parts per trillion. The WDNR wants to focus on “source reduction”, those that are discharging into the collection system, rather than imposing limits on treatment plant, which would mean adding costly plant treatment additions.

- ◊WTRRF sampled plant effluent. The WDNR sampled plant effluent. Side-by-side sampling was performed. WTRRF results were fairly low. On one compound WTRRF was above the proposed limit of 20-70 parts per trillion. WTRRF has not received WDNR test results yet from their sample.

- ◊Cody would like the sanitary districts and their industries to be made aware of PFAS and gather as much information as possible.

- ◊Cody reminded everyone that if PFAS is in the wastewater it will also be in the biosolids.

- ◊Cody will address this topic up in more detail at the annual OSG meeting.

The following items will be completed before the July 2021 TSC Meeting:

- ◊Paul will email the TGM Word document to TSC members for review.

- ◊Paul will make sure R.A. Smith adds Mary Hill Park to Exhibit 4.

- ◊Nick will email his comments to Paul regarding the updated RSAP.

- ◊Eric will get confirmation on the population for Town of Fond du Lac SD#3.

Adjournment

- ◊A motion to adjourn was made by Nick Leonard and seconded by Eric Otte. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for **July20, 2021**.