



Binghamton-Johnson City  
JOINT SEWAGE BOARD



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**MINUTES OF CONTINUATION BOARD MEETING  
OF THE BINGHAMTON - JOHNSON CITY  
JOINT SEWAGE BOARD**

**Tuesday, April 9, 2013**  
Village of Johnson Training Room

Members Present: George Kolba, Chairman  
Eugene Hulbert, Sr  
Ronald Davis  
Edward Crumb  
Luke Day  
Stephen Andrew (via SKYPE & Conference call)

Also Present: Cathy Aingworth, Superintendent  
Shane Guilford, Business Manager (out at 4 PM)  
Michele Cuevas, Confidential Secretary  
Alfred Paniccia, Jr., Esq., Co-Counsel (out at 5:30 PM)  
John Perticone, Esq., Co-Counsel  
Bruce King, JC Trustee  
Laura Lee Perkins, Transcriptionist (out at 5:30 PM)

Guests: Jason Greene, P.E., GHD Consulting Engineers, LLC  
(4:00 PM – 4:27 PM) Howard LaFever, P.E., BCEE, GHD Consulting Engineers, LLC

**CALL TO ORDER:**

George Kolba called the meeting to order at 3:08 PM. Quorum (6) present. Sign-in sheet passed for signatures. Emergency exits indicated

**Gene Hulbert, Sr. made a motion for the Board to approve the 3/26/13 Minutes with revisions made by Catherine Aingworth as a separate paragraph.**

**Edward Crumb seconded the motion**

**Motion carried 6/0**

Catherine P. Aingworth, Superintendent  
Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Facilities  
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**Superintendent's Report  
April 9, 2013**

**Violations and Significant Issues**

**Compliance**

<b>Date: March 2013</b>	<b>Influent</b>	<b>Effluent</b>	<b>Average % Removal</b>		<b>Effluent Limit</b>
<b>Average Flow</b>	<b>18.26mgd</b>				
<b>CBOD</b>	156	109	30%		Monitor
<b>Suspended Solids</b>	111	46	59%		Monitor
<b>Other: Settleable Solids Max</b>	15.3	0.10	99.3%		Monitor
<b>Total Nitrogen</b>	Feb. 27.5	Feb. 23.3	15.0%		Monitor
<b>Chlorine</b>	NA	1.12Max.	NA		2.0Max.
<b>Avg. Temperature</b>	10.3	9.9			
<b>Solids Removed</b>		<b>December</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>March</b>
<b>Digested</b>		0	0	0	0
<b>Lime Stabilized</b>		586.59	516.44	505.06	577.01
<b>Total</b>		586.59	516.44	505.06	577.01

**Operations**

- The plant continues to operate in primary only mode, with the addition of Chemically Enhanced Primary Treatment (CEPT). The polymer and ferric dosages are being adjusted incrementally in order to optimize treatment. There is some improvement in solids and BOD reduction at this time.
- The water department will be performing their spring cleaning of potable water settling basins and discharging the buildup of sediment to the plant over the next month. This will likely have an impact on the CEPT performance and we will keep Savin apprised of the schedule.
- The replacement lighting project in Building 9 has been completed by plant staff.
- A proposal for a 1000 kw diesel generator has been received from Nelcorp for \$460,000. This is to assist us in budget planning purposes as a result of the tentative determination the plant does not have a dual electrical feed from NYSEG.
- Plant staff recently completed the installation of ventilation for the "wet" side of TPS, which has made the work environment safer for plant employees.
- A progress payment for work at TPS has been submitted for the amount of \$209,313.51.
- The CEPT project is near completion. There have also been various issues related to VFD's and programming problems that are still in the process of being resolved.
- All digesters remain off-line. We are processing all sludge through lime stabilization.
- Digester #3 was filled beyond the initial level, and it was found to have leaks at a seam. Hunt Engineers, along with Spenseri came out to inspect and determine a course of action.
- Centrifuge #2 was removed and shipped out for repair. We are waiting for a report on its condition as well as the cost for repair.
- Soil Boring for the Floodwall project is scheduled to begin on April 15.

- A requirement for the flood wall project, a Plant Location Historical Review and Screening is scheduled to take place within the next several weeks by Nina M. Versaggi, PhD from Binghamton University.
- 30% design plans have been completed by Savin and are currently being reviewed by the Superintendent and plant staff.
- The south bar screen for the plant has failed and is offline. We are waiting for parts to arrive that have been ordered from IDI. We have leased scaffolding to remove old parts and assemble the new bar screen.

**Edward Crumb made a motion to approve the March 26, 2013 Board list in the amount of \$262,856.59 and to direct the Fiscal Officer to pay the same.**

**Ronald Davis seconded the motion**

**Motion carried 6/0**

**Edward Crumb made a motion for the Board to approve the March 26, 2013 Board list – Flood in the amount of \$26,907.09 and to direct the Fiscal Officer to pay the same.**

**Ronald Davis seconded the motion**

**Motion carried 6/0**

Catherine Aingworth presented the Superintendent's Report:  
(INSERT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT)

A discussion was held regarding the status of the NYSEG power feed to the Plant. A preliminary budgetary estimate from NELCORP Electrical Contracting Corp. was presented. Priority is to find out what NYSEG will do to meet the dual feed requirement. If unsuccessful, Luke Day suggested that consideration be given to exploring whether equipment aspects of comprehensive flood protection could be purchased in advance and installed on a temporary basis pending completion of that project.

Correspondence:

- 3/28/13 letter from Co-Counsel Perticone to Kevin McCabe, Gov. Cuomo's Regional Representative re DR-1650 reimbursement status
- 3/19/13 JC Village Board Minutes
- Superintendent Aingworth reported that she had an e-mail exchange with the Sierra Club, which had requested information about the Plant's capacity and intended course of action regarding potential treatment of certain industrial wastewater.

A presentation was given by Jason Greene, P.E., of GHD Consulting Engineers, LLC regarding the Industrial Wastewater Pretreatment Program.

A status report was given by Howard LaFever, P.E., BCEE, of GHD Consulting Engineers, LLC regarding the design work for the Digester Complex Restoration Project.

Committee Reports:

Construction: Luke Day – discussed Digester #3 leakage discovered, requested that costs for water used for testing be tracked; requested information to review/track tasks and phases regarding Digester Complex Restoration Project; noted receipt of Savin's 30% draft Basis of Design Report and plans, a meeting is to be scheduled for joint review; noted that City is moving ahead as Lead Agency in relation to FEMA requirement for Phase I archaeological study in relation of the comprehensive flood protection system project.

Operations: Gene Hulbert, Sr. (see, Structure & Flood, below)

Finance: Edward Crumb – noted that First Quarter 2013

Estimated Billings have not yet been received from the Fiscal Officer. Trustee King noted that the JC Village Clerk/Treasurer had provided required information to the Fiscal Officer as of April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Personnel: Stephen Andrew – noted that the collective bargaining agreement is now fully-signed.

Ad Hoc: Ronald Davis – awaiting response from Broome County regarding Co-Counsel Perticone's wording requests for website hosting contract.

Flow Management: Edward Crumb – no proposals were received for engineering services; consensus of Board is to rework as a Request for Qualifications only, and then readvertise. One proposal was received for technical services; Board Members to review and submit questions to the Business Manager so that an interview/presentation can be scheduled. Decision has been made not to proceed with a Steering Committee Meeting in April due to few suggested topics submitted by Municipal Users. Looking for date in late May.

Structure and Flood: Gene Hulbert, Sr. – discussed ongoing work by Simmons Recovery; Superintendent Aingworth noted that Fred Miele of SOEM would be visiting 4/17 in relation to 1650 closeout audit.

**Edward Crumb made a motion for the Board to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.**

**Gene Hulbert, Sr. seconded the motion**

**Motion carried 6/0**

(Co-Counsel Paniccia and Transcriptionist Perkins exited the meeting).

Board went into Executive Session at 5:28 PM

**Gene Hulbert, Sr. made a motion to exit executive session.**

**Ronald Davis seconded the motion**

**Motion carried 6/0**

Board came out of Executive Session at 5:47 PM, no action was taken during Executive Session.

Next meeting, if needed, is scheduled for 4/23/13 @ 3 PM in the Conference Room of the Construction Management Trailer at the Plant.

**Luke Day made a motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**Edward Crumb seconded the motion**

**Motion carried 6/0**

Meeting adjourned at 5:48 PM

Respectfully submitted,

*Laura Lee Perkins*

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Transcriptionist

cc: Board Members  
Mayor Ryan, City of Binghamton  
Mayor Deemie, Village of Johnson City  
City Clerk, City of Binghamton  
Village Clerk/Treasurer, Village of Johnson City  
John Perticone, Esq.  
Alfred Paniccia, Esq.  
Charles Pearsall, Fiscal Officer  
Catherine Aingworth, Superintendent  
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Robert Bennett, P.E., Village of Johnson City, Engineer  
Philip Krey, P.E., City of Binghamton, Engineer  
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