

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF ARGYLE
Tusket Wastewater Management District Committee
Monday December 15, 2008
Council Chambers, Tusket, 1:00 p.m.

Present: Bruce Hubbard, Chairperson
Guy Surette, Councilor
James Pothier
Alain Muise, CAO
Lorelei Doucette, Acting Director -Property Inspection and Public Works
Carol LeBlanc, Recorder

Regrets: Barbara Brittain
Aldric d'Entremont

Chairperson Bruce Hubbard called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m.

It was moved by James Pottier, seconded by Guy Surette that the agenda be approved.
MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Guy Surette, seconded by James Pottier to approve the minutes as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

Business Arising from the Minutes

The accumulated surplus of \$16,000 was explained. Residents pay a sewer tax levy on equivalent units each year and any money left over from operating expenses is considered accumulated surplus.

Tusket Industrial Park Sewer Extension – progress report

Alain Muise, CAO advised the committee that the extension is 98% complete. All lines (including pipes under overpass) are connected to the Tusket Wastewater System. The sewer main continues on Slocumb Crescent and the new road – Université Sainte-Anne has been hooked up to the system. Rezoning of the park is being discussed. The new road allows sewer service on the river front.

A flow meter has been installed at the pump station to collect data and will be calibrated in January. A riser will be installed at the metering manhole to make it flush with the other tanks at the pump station.

The cost of the project when completed will be close to \$600,000. The Municipality of Argyle received \$250,00 from the Province and \$60,000 from the Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund.

Tusket Sewer – Maintenance Update

Lorelei Doucette advised eight residential and commercial tanks were pumped out in August and the charcoal filters in the vents were changed in June. The sand bed at the treatment plant was flushed on December 10, 2008. The pump station is still experiencing pump malfunctions. There have been issues since the system was built. All partners, the engineers, ITT Flygt (manufacturers of the pumps), CBCL (designers of the system), Panel Shop (control panel) have been working with the Municipality to try and resolve the many issues. Pump # 2 has been sent to ITT Flygt for repairs and we are operating on one pump at the present. A new pump has been ordered as a spare pump so we do not have to rely on one pump during such events. We are monitoring very closely all the issues.

Financial statements to October 31, 2008

Every repair issue has an impact on the budget. Surplus monies may have to be used to rectify malfunctions that occur. (Report attached)

Other

- a. It was reported that an odor was coming from the manhole next to James Pottier's residence. The holes in the manhole covers will be sealed.
- b. The underground riser situation at civic # 8299, Highway 3, should soon be rectified. The residents are working in cooperation with this office to install above ground risers.

There being no further business, on motion by Guy Surette the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Carol LeBlanc
Recorder

Approved: _____

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

CHAIRMAN