



Binghamton-Johnson City  
**JOINT SEWAGE BOARD**



Ray L. Standish, P.E.  
Gary Holmes  
Edward Crumb

Stephen Andrew  
George Kolba, Jr.  
Ron C. Davis

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

**Tuesday, August 9, 2016**  
Conference Room, Office Building, JSTP

**Members Present:** George Kolba, Jr., Chairman, Pro Tem  
Edward Crumb  
Ronald Davis  
Stephen Andrew  
Ray Standish  
Gary Holmes

**Also Present:** Cathy Young, Superintendent  
Howard Reeve, Facilities Engineer (exited at 4:16pm)  
Charles Pearsall, Business Manager  
Michele Cuevas, Confidential Secretary  
Chuck Shager, Fiscal Officer and City of Binghamton Comptroller  
Marty Meaney, Village of Johnson City Trustee  
Conrad Taylor, Binghamton City Councilman  
John Perticone, Esq., Co-Counsel  
Alfred Paniccia, Jr., Esq., Co-Counsel  
Laura Lee Perkins, Transcriptionist  
Ken DelBianco, City of Binghamton

**Guest:** Jason Greene, GHD (arrived at 4:15pm; exited at 4:27pm)

Chairman George Kolba called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM. All Board Members were present. Sign-in sheet was passed for signatures. Fire exits identified.

Catherine P. Young, Superintendent  
Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Facilities  
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Edward Crumb made a motion for the Board to approve the draft 4/12/16 Minutes with proposed changes.

Stephen Andrew seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

Edward Crumb made a motion for the Board to approve the draft 5/10/16 Minutes as found in Board folder.

Stephen Andrew seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

Edward Crumb made a motion for the Board to approve the draft 6/14/16 Minutes as found in Board folder.

Stephen Andrew seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

Edward Crumb made a motion for the Board to approve the draft 7/12/16 Minutes as found in Board folder.

Stephen Andrew seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

Chuck Shager presented the Fiscal Officer's Report.

1/1/2016 Beg. Balance

Checking \$1,730,685.42

Savings \$8,662,647.08

Total \$10,393,332.50

6/30/16 Revenue YTD \$5,723,695.85

6/30/16 Disbursements YTD \$4,261,436.27

Balance \$11,405,592.08

Checking \$1,883,318.53

Money Market \$9,522,273.55

\$11,405,592.08

Charles Pearsall presented the Business Manager's Report.

Stephen Andrew made a motion for the Board to declare the following as scrap:

22 gallon barrels of clean expanded clay media	42
Clear cubic yard totes full of plastic air nozzles	8
Clear cubic yard totes full of blue plastic spacers	1
20 foot ¾" SS cable (with 5 lb. anchors)	44
4 foot ¼" SS flat bars	24
35 foot 1" SS cables (with 10 lb. anchors)	24
35 ft. dia. Dystor gas membrane	2
70 ft. dia. JDV gas membrane	1

Ron Davis seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

MEGA will give a presentation at September Board meeting regarding a successor electricity contract.

The proposed 2017 budget is in MUNIS

Ray Standish made a motion to hold over the proposed 2017 budget.

Gary Holmes seconded

Both stated their concerns about the 16% increase in the budget from 2016. A budget meeting was scheduled for 8/15 at 3 PM – first floor conference room at the Plant Office Building.

Budget held over.

Ed Crumb made a motion for the Board to direct the Chairman to sign a letter to the Owners requesting an additional week to submit the 2017 budget, mentioning that the Board is coordinating certain expense items between the Lead Agency project and the Board.

Ron Davis seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

Ed Crumb made a motion for the Board to authorize the Business Manager to advertise using the existing specifications for bids for a successor Hydrated Lime supply contract

Stephen Andrew seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

The Superintendent's Report was presented by Cathy Aingworth.

**Superintendent's Report  
August 9, 2016**

**Violations and Significant Issues  
Compliance**

Date: July 2016	Influent	Effluent	Average % Removal	Effluent Limit
Average Flow	10.49mgd			
CBOD	265	171	35.47%	Monitor
Suspended Solids	330	52	84.24%	Monitor
Other: Settleable Solids Max	18.4	0.25	98.64%	Monitor
Nitrogen Total	24.5 June	20.7 June	15.51%	Monitor
Chlorine	NA	1.39Max.	NA	2.0Max.
Avg. Temperature	21.7	21.6		
<b>Solids Removed</b>	<b>Apr 2016</b>	<b>May 2016</b>	<b>June 2016</b>	<b>July 2016</b>
Digested	0	0	0	0
Lime Stabilized	741.71	721.73	734.49	635.28
Total	741.71	721.73	734.49	635.28
Grit	9.7	11.66	10.51	
Screenings	6.48	12.58	11.96	
Grease	3.2	3.67	2.43	

**Operations Summary, Construction and Related Issues**

- The plant continues to operate in CEPT mode.
- Tanks 7 thru 10 are off line and the general contractor (PC Construction) is in the process of planning the demo of distribution box #2.
- The TPS project is nearing completion. TPS Switchover to the new system for pumps 3 and 4 has been completed.
- The plant completed a test shut down of TPS on Wednesday, July 13 to determine the length of time that pumps can be shut down before there would be a CSO event. The flow was approximately 3 MGD at the start and 2.7 MGD at the end. The window of time available was approximately 2 hours before the CSO would be activated.
- Flood wall work continues. Methanol is still on site. Keystone is in the process of design for the roof repair at TPS and to repair/ replace the HVAC.
- MCC Replacement: The MCC has been delivered and is being tested this week. This contract continues to progress and plant staff continue to work, as requested, with the engineers and contractors to facilitate progress.
- Thickener Repair Status update: The Drive Unit has arrived. The drive unit is being installed this week.
- BAF Rebuild: The BAF main rebuild project has begun. Plans are being made to begin work on the West side of the plant in the area of tanks 7 thru 10.
- Digester Evaluation Status: Status of the legal investigation is pending.

## Superintendent Report-cont.

### Other.

- Request board approval for an operator to attend Grade 3 class in Morrisville, NY in October.

Stephen Andrew made a motion to approve costs and travel for an operator to attend Grade 3 class in Morrisville, NY.

Ron Davis seconded the motion

Motion carried (6/0)

- The first quarterly report required under the consent order for the plant upgrade and performance has been submitted to the city and the DEC. This is also included on the City website at: <http://www.binghamton-ny.gov/2016-quarter-2-report>
- WQIP Grant:  
An application on the Board's behalf was submitted for the NYSDEC WQIP Round 13 Grant.

Howard Reeve exited the meeting at 4:16 PM

Jason Greene, P.E. from GHD joined the meeting and gave a status update on the Industrial Wastewater Pretreatment Program, a copy of which is included in the Board folder.

Jason Greene exited the meeting at 4:27 PM

### Committee Reports

Gary Holmes – Construction – work continues on the Flood Wall. An \$83,000.00 (+/-) has been approved regarding stabilization of Thickener No.1. The secants and caissons have been completed and Contract No. 9 should be completed by 10/30/16. PC Construction has begun working on site. They will be installing a 150' radius and a 250' radius tower crane. A meeting was held with NYS-DEC last week. A request will be made to change a couple of minor milestones. NYS-DEC seems agreeable. The Solids Handling Project is at the 60% design stage. The project is expected to be advertised for bids in January 2017. In support of this, Digester No. 3 needs to be made ready for additional work.

Edward Crumb – Finance – four budget meetings were held in July. Sent first draft of comments on the 2015 final bill to Chuck Shager.

Edward Crumb – Flow Management – nothing to report

Stephen Andrew – Personnel – nothing to report

Ronald Davis – Ad Hoc – nothing to report

Correspondence – see Board folder

Old Business – Digester 3 lawsuit – need to retain counsel; Trustee Marty Meaney will present information on this at the JC Board meeting.

Edward Crumb made a motion for the Board to authorize the Chairman Pro Tem to sign the Statement and Proof of Loss and Release for Selective Insurance in the amount of \$288,424.000 to settle the compost fire claim.

Ron Davis seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/-0

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 13, 2016.

Stephen Andrew made a motion for the Board to adjourn.

Ron Davis seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

Meeting adjourned at 5:06 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Lee Perkins  
Transcriptionist

cc: Board Members  
Mayor Rich David, City of Binghamton  
Mayor Greg Deemie, Village of Johnson City  
City Clerk, City of Binghamton  
Village Clerk/Treasurer, Village of Johnson City  
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