

CAMDEN-WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY
P.O. BOX 405, CAMDEN-WYOMING, DELAWARE 19934

*Minutes of the Camden-Wyoming
Sewer and Water Authority (CWS&WA)
Regular Session - Authority Meeting
Held on April 9, 2024*

Authority Members present: Mr. James Winchell, Chairperson
Mr. John Badger, Vice Chairperson
Mr. Thomas Ness
Mr. Michael Quinn
Mr. Daniel Ridgely
Mr. Russell Steiger

**Also in attendance representing
CWS&WA:** Mr. Harold Scott, Authority Superintendent
Mr. Soheil Gharebaghi, P.E., Authority Engineer

Public in Attendance: Meeting Attendance/Sign-in Sheet;
available at the CWS&WA Office

The Camden-Wyoming Sewer and Water Authority (CWS&WA) met at the CWS&WA Conference Room on April 9, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by the Chairperson, Mr. Winchell.

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Motion: Mr. Ridgely made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Badger. Motion carried unanimously.

Maintenance & Operations Status:

Mr. Scott distributed the Operation and Maintenance Reports for the past period, to the Board Members, and discussed the same. Mr. Scott indicated that there were nine (9) sanitary sewer pump stations in the Authority's service area, including the most recently installed, King Regional and Sunset Village Regional Pump Stations. In response to Mr. Winchell's inquiry concerning the Walmart Pump Station, Mr. Scott indicated that the Authority's equipment inventory included a spare pump for Walmart Pump Station for those instances when maintenance and repair necessitated the removal of a pump. The Chapelcroft and the Greens at Wyoming pump stations had the same pumps and the Authority's equipment inventory included spare parts for those as well, Mr. Scott continued.

Regarding DelDOT's projects in the Camden area - East and West Camden Bypasses - Mr. Scott noted that, according to DelDOT, work on the Camden Bypass projects would commence by August 2024. DelDOT's construction of the East and West Camden Bypasses would begin simultaneously, according to DelDOT, Mr. Scott added.

Mr. Scott presented recent photographs of sanitary sewer manholes - between Tidbury Crossing and Upper King Road - which exhibited the failure of concrete near the bottom of the impacted manholes. Mr. Scott indicated that, among other chemicals, methane gas (CH₄) in the sewers was suspected to have contributed to the deterioration of concrete manholes.

Maintenance & Operations Status (cont.):

Mr. Scott displayed a 12" x 12" square sample of a material recognized as "*Spray Roq*," which was planned to be utilized in the impacted manholes. Mr. Scott explained that the material was sprayed on manhole walls and flow channels, covering all concrete surfaces, making them impenetrable and impervious to sewer flows and immune to sewer gases.

Mr. Scott indicated that Sunset Village was moving forward quite rapidly. The Town of Camden had issued Certificates of Occupancies (CO's) for five (5) buildings. Twenty-four (24) apartment units in three (3) buildings had been occupied, followed by the occupancy of the remaining apartment units shortly thereafter, Mr. Scott added. It was also noted that Sunset Village consisted of 10 buildings, nine with 24 apartment units in each, and one with 22 units, for a total of 238-apartment units.

Mr. Scott reported that the Cooper Farm was under consideration for land development. Mr. Scott indicated that he had met an attorney representing a portion of the Cooper Farm. According to the attorney with whom Mr. Scott had met, approximately 36 Acres would be residentially developed, and the remaining 46 Acres along Route 13, would be developed as commercial land development. Updated reports on the status of the Cooper Farm would be provided in future Authority Regular Meetings, Mr. Scott added.

Concerning the Authority's finances, Mr. Scott reported that \$360,943 had been billed out in the month of March. Mr. Scott also reported that approximately \$30,000 in accounts receivables (AR) aging longer than 180 days was substantially lower than previous months' AR's - \$50,000 to \$60,000 - and credited the Authority's staff for their vigilance.

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Engineering Report:

Gharebaghi referred to his Engineering Report for the period ended June 30, 2024, which was distributed to the Board Members, along with other meeting documents, and offered to address any questions the Board might have had on his report.

Correspondence:

With the exception of those referenced above, there was no other correspondence.

Visitors' Comments:

There were no visitors' comments.

Adjournment:

Motion: Mr. Quinn made a motion to adjourn the Authority's Regular Meeting, seconded by Mr. Ridgely. Motion carried unanimously.

The Camden-Wyoming Sewer and Water Authority Regular Session; Authority Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held on July 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
CAMDEN-WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY

Harold L. Scott, Sr.
CWS&WA Superintendent