

Lac des Iles Utility Commission  
Regular Meeting April 23, 2021  
By teleconference

**Present:** Rick Danilkewich      Daryle Pope  
              Cam Foss                Kim Larson  
Secretary: Heather Pollock

**Call to Order**

**Danilkewich:** Meeting called to order at 9:04 am.

**Agenda**

**Larson:** Approve Agenda as presented.

Carried

**Previous Minutes**

**Larson:** To approve the minutes of the January 15, 2021 meeting as presented.

Carried

**Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

- SaskEnergy has completed the install of the new meter at the Water Treatment Plant. The generator has been connected and is ready for use along with the generator at the Well Site Building.

**Correspondence**

- None

**Financial Reports:**

- October 2020 to March 2021 Bank Reconciliations
- Bank Account balances as of April 14, 2021:  
Chequing \$97 832.84  
Savings \$145.83  
Term Deposit \$63 138.07  
Term Deposit \$61 291.26  
**Total: \$222 408.00**
- Accounts Payable:  
**October 16, 2020 to April 14, 2021**  
**Total: \$106 476.04**
- Outstanding Water Accounts balance as of April 14, 2021: **\$0.00**
- Outstanding Water Accounts balance of the arrears transferred to RM taxes  
**\$4 416.52**
- Petty cash balance **\$94.50**

**Pope:** To approve the Accounts Payable October 16, 2020 to April 14, 2021  
Total: \$106 476.04.

Carried

**Pope: To approve that \$200.00 be added to the Petty Cash.**

**Carried**

**Water Plant Reports**

- **October 2020 to March 2021 water plant reports were presented.**

**New Business**

- 2020 Audit package was presented

**Danilkewich: To approve and accept the draft copy of the 2020 Audit by Holm Raiche Oberg.**

**Carried**

- 2021 Budget has been tabled until next meeting.
- Now that the Utility Commission is in a better financial position the board would like to reinstate the use of the expense voucher starting January 1, 2021. Mileage and Supervision hours to be updated to current RM Council rates.

Mileage \$0.70 per kilometer and Supervision \$25.00 per hour

**Danilkewich: To approve and accept reinstating the updated expense voucher for board members.**

**Carried**

- Membrane tender, tabled for now. MPS Welding is setting up a CIP unit that would be able to clean our used membranes so we may not have to purchase new ones. In the future we will need to keep the used membranes for cleaning. Cam to check with Nathan Turchyn on the costs involved with this cleaning versus purchasing new membranes. The membranes are scheduled to be changed April 27, 2021.
- With the resignation of Terry Rae Johnson, Mike Greschner has contacted two individuals for Backup Water Treatment Plant Operators for weekends and holidays. Amy Birch and Brett Shortman are being trained for backup at the Village of Goodsoil Water Treatment Plant and are interested in being the backup operators at Lauman's Landing as well.

**Larson: To hire Amy Birch and Brett Shortman as the Backup Water Treatment Plant Operators at a rate of \$50.00 per day.**

**Carried**

**Larson: To pay Mike Greschner \$60.00 per day for filling in as the Water Treatment Plant Operator on weekends and holidays.**

**Carried**

- It was suggested by Heather that the Utility Board write a proposal to the RM Council to obtain help from the RM of Beaver River maintenance department when needed for utility maintenance. The corresponding costs to be covered by the Utility Commission. Rick has agreed to write the proposal for presentation at the May 20, 2021 RM of Beaver River Council Meeting.
- Discussion was held regarding the recent water leak and the expenses incurred while the water was leaking. The biggest expense was the removal of wastewater by Lakeshore Septic. Per the Municipalities Act we can charge back to the customer all of the expenses incurred due to the leak on their property. The current leak was from approximately February 20 to April 5, 2021.

**Larson:**

**To invoice the customer where the leak February 20 to April 5, 2021 was located. A charge of 25% of the septic hauling overage, calculated by the change from 2020 to 2021 hauling costs, will be billed.**

**Carried**

- Rick is composing a letter to the lot owners that will address issues such as the need to identify and access to all curb stop valves.
- In the fall it will be necessary to install block valves to isolate the bottom loop, one to isolate the lake loop and the other one to block from the boat launch to the 3-way stop.
- The access road to the water well building is being used by adjacent lot owners possibly causing damage to the water well, generator or building. Rick will include a note in his lot owner letter indicating that the area may be fenced off to stop this trespassing.
- It was noted that the septic tank at the WTP has a crack due to liquid being forced back into the tank. Lot owners must ensure they close the septic valves on their property. Rick will also note this in his letter.
- Lotic Technologies (Nisku AB - David Mahowich) has a waste water, grey water clean up process - works off electrolysis and settling tanks - equipment is quite bulky (pump skids, settling tanks and 3 phase power- most likely would have to extend building by about 20' x 30') - cost around \$200k to process up to 25gpm then need pipeline to pump clean water out to somewhere - contact provided by Kade D - David M said there are Federal and Provincial Grants available for these projects? Due to the high cost involved this discussion will be tabled until some time in the future.
- MPS fabricated mainline water valve extensions (8.75" ID well casing) and caps to place over all valves (Sched 80) - all valves in roadways are now buried but caps are only 2-3" below road surface much easier to access - without Hydrovac - thanks to Vince Hrabec and Ken Hammett for help in turning valves and for valve cap extension installation - large drawing with dimensions will be placed in WTP file cabinet for future use. Note could not close/open one loop valve as it was still frozen. Gravel to fill holes picked up from RM at Goodsoil.


**Next Meeting Date**

Next meeting date: June 18, 2021 at 9 am.

**Adjournment**

**Danilkewich: Meeting adjourned at 10:10 am**

  
Chair

  
Secretary