

City of Depoe Bay- Gleneden Sanitary District Wastewater Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting – Monday, March 17, 2014 – 4:00 PM
Depoe Bay Wastewater Treatment Plant

PRESENT: Monte Arehart, Phil Jensen, Brad Baines, A.J. Mattila, Seth Olsen
ABSENT: Skip Hoytink, Ron Gray
STAFF: District Superintendent M. Snyder, City Superintendent B. Weidner,
City Recorder P. Murray, Plant Operators D. Arnold, G. Walls

The meeting began at 4:00 PM.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour Plant Operators Danny Arnold and Gary Walls conducted a tour of the treatment facility, explaining processes and procedures. It was noted that their hair-catching (fishing) net idea has been published in a national magazine. Appreciation was expressed for Bob Pailthorp's education he has voluntarily provided to operators over the years. Tour ended at 4:45 PM, and everyone went to the WWTP break room. Brief discussion ensued regarding cleaning if lift stations.

TV north End of System (Boiler Bay to Harney St. Weidner reported the RFP deadline for contractors to submit proposals has been extended to March 28th. He said there was a misquote in the newspaper relating to the pressure main line from Vista Lift to the manhole near Wing Wa Restaurant. He clarified the existing line is 8", the master plan calls for upgrade to 12", the emergency repair cost is based on a 10" line. Arehart suggested a 12" line rather than doing the work twice.

Wastewater Master Plan Update Baines said the existing agreement defines "shared facilities", if there is going to be a change, then a new agreement will be needed. He said if the city wants to change the line through downtown Depoe Bay he doesn't see a benefit, and if the line is being re-routed, then it needs to be seen what GSD would share in. He feels the projected line upsizing is based upon the City's growth, not GSD's, and is based on unrealistic development estimates. Weidner said that in incidences of heavy rain, with I & I the lines are at capacity.

Mattila suggested doing the emergency repair now and the bypass in the future. Discussion ensued on the capacity of the downtown line, reviewing and possibly amending the Master Plan, that the emergency repair of the pressure main from Vista Lift to the manhole near Wing Wa is really a maintenance project. It was generally agreed to do this maintenance project with upsizing the existing 8" to a 12" line. Engineering and funding was discussed, including needing a financing plan before proceeding. Weidner agreed he could contact HBH Engineering, the firm that did the Master Plan Update. Mattila summarized that grant funding will be researched and engineering cost estimate will be obtained before proceeding with the project. Murray noted that this Advisory Committee would take its recommendations to the respective full Board/Council for decision/action.

Arehart asked about how expenses are shared, costs are split. Murray and Weidner explained how particular expenses are first cost shared between city funds, the Sewer Fund share of the total expense is what GSD shares in, currently at 58%. Murray showed Arehart a copy of the monthly reports provided to GSD, inviting him to come to city hall for further review.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Pery Murray, City Recorder