

**St. Tammany Parish Sewerage District No.1**

**Board Meeting Minutes October 8, 2020**

**Teleconference (Covid-19)**

**Board Attendance, on line:**

**Mike Franklin, Chairman..... PRESENT**

**David Talmage.....PRESENT**

**Jay Kahn, Treasurer.....PRESENT**

**Pete Lee ..... PRESENT**

**Roger Kocken, Secretary ... ..PRESENT**

**Others in Attendance, on line**

**Brian Buckel, G.E.C., Inc.**

**Jeff Beratoniere, Curtis Environmental**

**Sally Harasty, Home owner at 153 Bertel**

**Rick Shockley, Home owner at 114 Country Club**

**Item 1: Board Minutes**

The teleconference was called to order by Chairman Mike Franklin at 6:00 PM

Mike Franklin made available the previous board minutes, from the Sept 2020, meeting. The minutes were approved without changes by the board.

**Item 2: Monthly Report from Curtis Environmental About Routine Issues**

Jeff Beratoniere reviewed operational and maintenance Issues.

- Sewer back up at 204 Tchefuncte Drive, Roto Rooter called out and corrected the problem (roots in line).
- Lift station #2, Pump #1 suction line needed replacement. PSI complete the repair.
- Door on Chlorine Room was replaced.

**Item 3: Brian Buckel with G. E. C. provided an update on Rehabilitation Project. Jon Simmons with Magnolia was not able to attend.**

- Magnolia estimates being close to completion in about a month.
- Lift Station: Magnolia Const. Co. is work on installation:
  - Wet well, manhole and sewer line installed. Slab poured, pump building and piping installed. Tied into force main along Golfer competed
  - Anticipate electrical power to be completed in 2-3 weeks. Account for electrical has been set up with CLECO, by Mike Franklin.
- Boring along Bertel is about 50% completed, anticipate 1-2 weeks to complete this work. Some complaints about mud in ditch. Vacuum truck on location if problems occur.
- Remaining work: tie in force main along Bertel and tie into force main to treatment plant.
- Plan to make point repair at 144 Fairway Drive, 4' deep sinkhole located over main sewer line. Hole filled in until repairs can be made.
- Incident at 114 Country Club Drive. (Water back-up during sewer line coating).
  - The Shockley's have chosen to get an attorney involved, so no new discussion.
  - The Board believes this is an issue between Suncoast and the Shockley's. Suncoast is expected to handle this problem and the Board should not be directly involved.
- Suncoast:
  - A few CIPP and CCTV runs remain to be completed.
  - Suncoast will provide a bound report when their work is completed.

- Smoke test report: 8 spots were detected, more investigation will be needed to determine the origin of the smoke and needed repair (if any).
- Anticipate the manhole inspection report in the next week, don't anticipate any major repairs.
- Remaining work and Budget:
  - There appears to enough fund in budget to complete additional repairs.
  - The board recommends repairing the line along Azalea Drive, this line has been problematic for years and has required repeated clean-outs (jetting). The Sewer Boards believes this is the best use for the remaining funds at this time. The line along Tchefuncte Drive is the second option.

**Item 4:**

- The board is looking for a location to store paper files, contracts and material from earlier sewer board activities.

**Item 5: Monthly Financial Statements**

- Jay Kahn, negotiated a \$2000.00 reduction in the Roto Rooter's invoice for work performed at 116 Country Club Drive, invoice date 6/12/2020. Roto Rooter also agreed to start keeping repair parts on hand.
- Board members have reviewed the recent 2020 Financial Statements stored on the Board's Dropbox site. Mike Franklin noted a problem with last month's report and the problem was corrected.
- Coronavirus restriction continue to make collection from overdue accounts difficult.

**Item 6: Public Comments**

- Sally Harasty, home owner at 153 Bertel, noted that the boring under the pine trees was problematic and may have damaged the root system of the large pine trees on the lot. The sewer board will monitor the situation and pay to remove the trees if they were damaged by the boring. The boring should have been deep enough to avoid damaging the trees' root systems.

**Item\_7: Next Board Meeting Date**

- The next teleconference for St. Tammany Sewerage District No.1 is scheduled for Thursday November 12, 2020, at 6 p.m. Zoom login details will be available in early November.

**Item 8: The Sewer Board Website is <https://sewerdistrict1.com/>** Meeting minutes and agenda's are being posted on the web site.

**Roger Kocken, Board Secretary**

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**October 9, 2020**