

St. Tammany Parish Sewerage District No.1
Board Meeting Minutes, January 4, 2023

Board Attendance

Mike Franklin, Chairman..... PRESENT
Jesmin Basanti Finley, Treasurer...PRESENT
Roger Kocken, SecretaryPRESENT
Jeff Peters.....PRESENT

Others in Attendance

Lou Gomez.....home owner

Item 1: Board update

- Mike informed the Board he would like to move on as his role as Chairman
- Starting in February
 - Roger Kocken will be the new Chairman
 - Jeff Peters will be the new Secretary

Item 2: Monthly Report activity concerning Treatment Plant and system.

- Manhole #86 & #42 need repair. Surface water is infiltrating into the system at the base of the manhole.
- New Motor for blower has been installed and needs minor adjustments.
- Dixie Electrical was notified their bid was approved, they will order parts and anticipate starting in a few weeks.
- Treatment plant experienced plugged return lines (12/28), may be related to cold weather. Breaux Bothers was called out get problem resolved.
- Sinkholes behind 111-115 Pine. Approximately 30' of main sewer line and connections need to be replaced, cost estimate was requested from Roto Rooter.
- 110 Dogwood sewer backed up (1/1), Roto Rooter noted main line full of water and cracked. The main line may need to be replace.
- Lift Station #3 (Jan 4) off line, replaced blown fuses; also, private lift station at 223 was without power.

Item 3: Sewer connection at 120 South.

- Lou Gomez, express concerns over the cost Roto Rooter charged him to hook up the sewer line to his house. ~\$10,000.

Item 4: Private lift station at 223 Tchefuncte Drive

- Board has looked but not been able to locate legal document(s) concerning ownership and financial responsibilities for the private lift station. Board will review documents sent by Curtis environmental to see if they can be used for this location.

Item 5: Potential Rate Increase and Financial Review:

- The Board approved a \$10.00/month rate increase for homeowners. Increase to implemented in 2023 as early as possible.
- The Board approved a \$5.00/month late fee.

Item 5: Auditor

- Kathleen is working on identifying and auditor.

Item 7: Board Minutes.

- The Board approved the December, 2022 Board minutes.

Item 10: Next Board Meeting Date

- The next meeting for the St. Tammany Sewerage District No.1 is scheduled for February 8, 2022, at 6 p.m.

The Sewer Board Website

- Meeting minutes and agendas are being posted on the web site.

Roger Kocken, Board Secretary

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