

Executive Director's Report – September 14, 2021

FROM – Ted Lewis

RE: Monthly Report – August / September 2021

1. **FMREA Conference Call** – On 9/8 we (Herman, Ken, Engineers, and I) took part in a conference call set up by FMERA. FMERA has received some funding (about 3 million) and it appears they are ready to address sewer infrastructure on the main base. They plan to engage our engineers to do the design work (they did the same with Two Rivers). We will explain further at the meeting.
2. **Old Orchard Pump Station** – The Treatment Works Approval (TWA) has been granted so T&M should be ready to put the project out to bid.
3. **JCP&L Damage Tinton Ave.** – On September 1, Herb and I went to John Bonello's office to do remote depositions – because virtually all the questions were technical Herb did all the testifying. The process dragged on for over an hour and a half; John and I both felt that Herb did a great job.
4. **Staffing** – Kevin Carrino was hospitalized and needed cardiac surgery – he is doing well but recovery will keep him out of work at least 6 weeks.
5. **Borough Take Over** – We received a request from the Borough for a report on our debt status – I referred the matter to the auditor.
6. **Pump Station Repairs** – We had pump failures at Industrial Way and Country Club stations – Herb solicited prices for new pumps, as well as rebuilding the existing ones. Based on the prices and Herb's recommendation we went with the rebuild option.
7. **Voyager School** - The school has moved out of the old Steelman School building and apparently will be replaced by "ACI Dental School", currently located in an office building on Meridian Road. Since ACI has not been billed direct in the past, (they were part of an office building), in effect they were a commercial use, and we would recommend that continue unless the Board has any concerns.
8. **Two Rivers Pre-Treatment** – Two Rivers has several locations where they treat for corrosive materials before it reaches their plant. They indicated they may want to move a unit into our system to apply the treatment further upstream. Such a move would also protect our pipes; I told them I did not think the Board would object.
9. **Authority Bylaws** - I was able to locate two authorities on the internet that have bylaws (one in NY and one in Pennsylvania) and I'm using them to develop a draft. Once complete I'll have Mr. Bonello review it to make sure it is consistent with NJ statutes.
10. **Sun Eagles Area** – After a complaint from the developer regarding connection fees, I met with the Attorney and engineers on 8/7 and we discovered that the original fee calculation was too high, in part because some of the units are "Mount Laurel" units.

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