



COHASSET SEWER COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2023

In Attendance:

*William McGowan
Brian Joyce
Paul Kierce
Rob Scott*

*Dan Coughlin
Rick Holland
Scott Papa
Michelle Leary*

Meeting Called to Order: 11:07 am

WWTP Membranes:

Rob Scott: Cleaned beginning of January but already they are struggling with the permeability of membranes. The water conditions have not changed. Wed, 25th, systematically going through everything. Going to Wet Wells and clean tanks and get them as low as possible. Concerning the aeration patterns don't keep them clean for long periods of time. Viola is here and will have W&C show them what they have been doing regarding the recommendations they provided in the letter on the warranty.

Bill McGowan: What happens if the system fails? Lead times are extensive. Do we have a plan in place if this expires? No.

Scott Papa: We're seeing an extensive amount of flow since the beginning of the year. This month we are probably going to be at 450,000. Preliminary results probably due to extensive high tides and storms. The excess is not coming from the pumping stations. Run times are not elevated enough to show the amount of excess we are taking in. Will check for salinity to see if that's another issue. (Infiltration)

Dan Coughlin: Tide gate is not the issue per Brian as the tide gate is functional but offline and closed for months. No tidal influx in Jacob's meadow. 87-124 Elm should not be the problem as that has been buttoned up. Concerned with debris. Grit screw down for a consideration amount of time and reviewed the screen which also needs to be replaced. D&C Construction is waiting on parts for the grit screw, but need to have them take a look at the screen. Lakeside rep will be here later this week. (screen)

Rick Holland: Needs a timeline of the issues and all the written contact with the manufacturer. Town has reported the issue within a timely manner.

ACTIONS: Rob will check to see if other membranes are experiencing the same issues as ours at the same stage of life. Bill will be point of contact for Suez. First have Suez here ASAP and meet with Brian, Bill and Dan as well. Show them the issues with the membranes. Then also deal with issues with the grit screw and the screen.

MOTION: Paul Kierce made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Bill McGowan. The motion was approved by unanimous roll-call vote.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:48am