

Special meeting of the Carthage/West Carthage Water Pollution Control Facility Management Board
Held in the Board Room of the Carthage Municipal Building
August 29, 2017

Attendance:

Carthage Members – Chairman Michael F. Astafan, President G. Wayne McIlroy. Trustee Linda Smith-Spencer was excused.

West Carthage Members – Mayor Scott Burto and Trustee Michael Bigness. Trustee Rob Peluso was excused.

Others Attending – Bart Crary, DANC Chief Plant Operator; Kris Dimmick, BC&A; William Cheuk and John Brooke, CSP and Elaine Avallone, Johnson Newspapers.

Call to Order:

Chairman Astafan called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Status of Cleanup of Contamination at Treatment Plant:

At the August 16, 2016 meeting, Mr. Dimmick expressed that Paragon Environmental Construction has been hired to clean up the contaminated soil at the Treatment Plant and estimated the project to be completed within the next few weeks.

Update 08/29/2017: Chairman Astafan explained he was contacted by Mr. Dimmick regarding the issues they encountered while attempting to clean up the spill site at the plant. When Chairman Astafan arrived at the plant, he was met by Mr. Dimmick, Bruce Furguson, Peter Paragon, and a DEC representative. Chairman Astafan explained when Paragon Environmental Construction began digging up the soil; they discovered that the cleanup will be much more extensive than what was originally anticipated. The Town of Champion decided they will not be changing their pipe which goes into the plant due to the extensive contamination. The Town of Champion will still pay their portion of what has been cleaned up thus far. Mr. Dimmick recommended hiring Paragon Environmental Construction to perform further testing as this is outside of BC&A's scope of services.

After considerable discussion, there was a motion by Trustee Bigness and seconded by Mayor Burto to have Attorney Gebo develop a professional services contract with Paragon Environmental Construction, as they are the most familiar with the site, to delineate where and how extensive the contamination is and further define the cost of the study to be performed to be reviewed at the meeting on September 20, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Motion by President McIlroy and seconded by Mayor Burto to adjourn at 4:44 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristy O'Shaughnessy
WPCF Clerk/Treasurer