MINUTES

Attendance: Dave Beauchamp, Tim Wade, Jeff McBurnie, Bruce Berger, Peter Zaykoski, Paula Drouin, Andre Brousseau, Travis Peaslee, Charlene Poulin, Theresa Tucker, and Joan Kiszely.

Zoom Attendance: Phil Tucker, Stacy Thompson, Gregg Wood, Emily Cole Prescott, Jim Cohen, Rob Pontau, Sarah King, Kristie Rabasca, Alex Buechner, Brody Campbell, Travis Jones, Amanda Smith.

Absent: Gretchen Anderson, Phil Tucker, Ben Stiles, Bryanna Denis. Mike Guethle and Andy Wendell.

Call to Order: President Dave Beauchamp called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

Correspondence Folder: The correspondence folder was reviewed by the board.

Quorum: It was determined there was a Quorum.

Minutes: Motion made by Jeff McBurnie, seconded by Theresa Tucker, all approved the February 18, 2022, minutes.

Treasurer’s Report: Jeff McBurnie reviewed the Treasurers report indicating everything is in order. Review of March & April financial reports Motion made by Tim Wade, seconded by Theresa Tucker, all approved the Treasurers report.

Old Business:

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

DEP Report: Gregg Wood reported on the following:
- Rulemaking – about 4 going on. Going to a public hearing in June or July
- Operators Certification – Had a Stakeholder meeting and got feedback. Going to have another Stakeholders meeting coming up.
- Nitrogen - June 9 will be a Stakeholder meeting
- Phosphorus – Really doesn’t know where this stand. This may be ready to go to Public Hearing. This will probably be late September.
- PFAUS – Game plan is they are putting together a monitoring plan rather than the Legislators.
- F1 Monitoring
- Ambient Water Quality Monitoring
- Fish Sampling Monitoring
110 Municipal on list

Compliance Inspectors conducting some training to learn how to do the sampling test
Effluent Sampling for one year
Ambient Sampling – 25 sites
Fish Tissue Sampling
MS Four Permit

JETCC-NEIWPPCC: Peter Zaykoski submitted a report. He reviewed his report:
- Recent Activities
- Decisions Made
- Action Plan Committee Officer Assignments
- Next Meeting is May 18
- North Country
- Other information – JETCC Founder’s Award

Travis Jones reported on the following:
- Able to keep Amanda & John as a Board member
- Excited to have Jeff McBurnie come onto the board

Legislative Advocate: James Cohen not present

NEWEA: Paula Drouin submitted a report. She reviewed highlights of her report.

MWUA: Bruce reported he feels they are doing an OK job for MeWEA. He thinks MeWEA should look into outsourcing the website in the future.

MeWEA: Joan Kiszely reported on the following:
- Worked on getting Proposals from Venues for 2023-2024 and submitted them to the Convention Committee
- Will be drafting a Vendor packet and getting that out the first of June
- Submitted a timeline for the Personal Advancement Committee to get her a completed Session Map

MeWEA/MWUA Affiliate: Rob Pontau submitted a report.
- MWUA had a Board Meeting met yesterday
- Tom’s Water Solutions is doing a great job
- Outing is August 11 is at Cumberland Fairgrounds, Golf is August 3 at Val Halla
- Al Hodgson passed away and it is a great loss in the industry, He was a huge supporter of the Association
- Operators Challenge: Doing really good and working hard. Headed to Mass to practicing more. It’s a new group and very active. Competition is at Mt. Washington at the NEWWEA Conference.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Awards Committee: Mike Guethle submitted a report. Mike is looking for nomination. The board will review the nominations at the next meeting in June. These are presented in September at the Fall Convention.

Collections System: Ben Stiles did not submit a report. Travis Jones reported:
- He was asked by Mary Berry to run a Corn Hole event at the NEWEA Conference
- Needs Volunteers to help him

Communications Report: Bryanna Denis was absent and had no report.

Convention Report: Phil Tucker was not present. Stacy Thompson reported the following:
- Will be going to Sunday River for 2023 & 2024
- New Hampshire will be sponsoring Ski Day and will find a location
- Had a good time at Saddleback for Ski Day
- Stacy offered to help Charlene with getting Speakers/Topics

Government Affairs Report: Amanda Smith & Emily Cole-Prescott submitted a report. She reported on the following:
- Virtual Fly In this past week – Went very well
- One thing out of Pingree’s office was get some information of cost impact on Biosolids management of cost increase from LD 1911
- Create a smaller PFAUS Group
- Working on a Support Letter on SR 3169
- Will have a meeting in early June
- Amanda thanked Emily for all she is doing on this committee
- She joined the Water Advocacy Group
A brief discussion about LD 1911 & 1639 & 1875

Laboratory: Andy Wendell was not present.

Membership Report: Rob Pontau submitted a report.

Personal Advancement Report: Charlene Poulin submitted a report. She reported in addition the following:
- Timeline on Fall Convention
- Need Name of Speaker, Title, brief discussion
- Asked Committee Chairs to submit one topic for the conference
- Reaching out to some Engineers
Brief discussion on suggested topics.

Pretreatment Report: Terry Tucker reported the following:
- Meeting on June 8 at Inland Technologies
- They will be turning in a Nomination from the Pretreatment Committee
- EPA has been quiet
Public Relations Report: Ashley Jones may be interested in being the chair of this committee.

Residual Management Report: Travis Peaslee & Andre Brousseau were present. Andre Brousseau reported the following:
- Trying their best with damage control with Legislation that has passed.
- Following Technology – Faced with Regulators
- To jump on with NEBRA. Try to see what they have to offer
- Trying to stay up with PFAS & Effluent and how to communicate to the members
- Trying to get a Stakeholder group going

Storm Water Report: Sarah King
Kristie Rabasca submitted a report. Additional comments were as follows:
- EPA has been quiet
- Clean Water Shed needs working with DEP & EPA
- 50 year Celebration
- MS4 Permit

Treatment Plant Operator Report: Alex Buechner submitted a report.
- Ops Challenge going to NEWEA conference. They have 4 teams
- He will be going down to facilitate
- Posters are being scanned in
- The voting went well

Young Professionals Report: Brody Campbell had no report at this time.

OFFICERS REPORTS

Presidents Report: Dave Beauchamp reported on the following:

1st Vice Presidents Report: Tim submitted a report. Tim Wade reported on the following:
- Virtual Flying wrap up
- Rep met with all 4
- Talked with King, Pingree and Collins
  - King
  - Reach out to similar organizations in different regions about our needs
  - Cyber Security
  - Information on material shortages/lead times
  - Pingree
  - Cost information for landfill biosolids
  - Collings
  - Information on material cost/qty backups/SSO’s caused by wipes
  - Had 3 talking points to each legislator
  - PFAS – Informed of effects of LD1911
  - Land fill capacity
DW/WW Improvements Funding – Wipes Act

They wanted more information to help them

Save the Date – 50th CWA September 29th – 50 Champions – Tim will be part of the selection committee

SPS updates – Membership Tasks, MeWEA/MWUA relationship, Admin guide review, ED Contract Review, email addresses, etc.

Outstanding award – thinking about giving it to Senator Collins – will do it at the Fall Annual Convention

Need for additional authorized signatories for check: Travis Peaslee volunteered to be the Deputy Treasurer and back Jeff McBurnie-Treasurer. Still going to look at Electronic Signature.

2nd Vice President: Gretchen Anderson was not present.

Past President Report: Phil Tucker was not present.

Other New Business:

UPCOMING EVENTS
June: Clean Water Week
August: Summer Outing/MWUA
August: Golf/MWUA
September 21-23 Fall Convention Sunday River, Newry
September 29th CWA 50th Anniversary Celebration -Simard Payne Park, Lewiston

Next Board Meeting: Friday June 17- LAWPCA – 9:00 AM

Adjourn: Motion made by Jeff McBurnie, seconded by Theresa Tucker, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m.