

**Dale Sanitary District 1
Regular Monthly Meeting
November 21, 2017
6:30 P.M.**

The regular monthly meeting of Dale Sanitary District 1, Town of Dale, Wisconsin was called to order on November 19, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. by James Wight. In attendance for the Dale Sanitary District were James Wight, President, Judith Sommerfield-Fox, Vice President; and Charles Zehner, Secretary/Treasurer; Cornelius Van Voorhis, Plant Manager.

There were no citizens in attendance.

Plant Manager's Report. The Plant Manager took his state exam on November 1 and passed and now has his Wastewater Operator Certification with pond and lagoon endorsements.

On October 23, there was a plugged main. One homeowner had sewage backed up in the basement. Homeowner submitted bill for insurance for home cleaning. By the time they were finished there was 1800 feet of sewer that was cleaned. One manhole was underneath the concrete. It is now raised and functional. The reason for the back up was sand and grease. The plant manager recommends that once a year that the dead end sewer mains be flushed once a year.

On November 12, winterization began on the ponds, which includes, but is not limited to insulation, closing vents and securing the window between the chlorine room and pump room. Thermometers have been set up and watched every day.

On November 15th, Kuettel was out to clean the wet well. They also cleaned out chlorine tank and tank was checked for cracks. None were shown. They also took the small jetter up into the settling pond to check the inflow pipe. The pipe was blown out and now the Plant Manager feels the levels will be better than previously recorded. The plant manager also inquired about pumping sludge. According to prior records, the sludge is due to be pumped.

The plant manager talked about getting a DNR approved lab. We will look into the cost effectiveness of doing labs in house.

In the wastewater plant, the lighting is failing. Plant manager replaced the fixture with a new one. While down in the wet well, that light fixture failed. It was found that the fixture was full of water. Plant manager replaced that fixture as well.

The permit is requiring that the manhole covers be inspected to make sure they are water tight and all chimney seals are intact. Each individual manhole must be inspected and documented. The plant manager recommends that this process be started. The Plant manager requested assistance. Jim Wight moved that we hire assistance with the process. Charles Zehner seconded. Motion was carried.

Plant Manager submitted top 10 things that should not be flushed down the toilet. This list will be added to the January billing. Plant Manager will also work on survey for water softeners.