

Water and Sewer Report

August 14, 2023

Hello,

The Water and Sewer Commission met on July 18th, 2023.

Hilary Price, Pat Smith, Anna Keenan and Myself were in attendance. The minutes are on the RMV website, but, to recap, the purpose of the meeting was to review and motion to approve Annual Financial Statements report to IRAC and to Council, review and motion to approve the Island Coastal bid on the tender for the Causeway Watermain project and to give the commission an update on the progress of the wharf progress, the generators, as well as an update on the wharf spill.

The Causeway Project-The tender was accepted and signed. The expected timeline as stated by Island Coastal;

“We are awaiting shop drawing submittals at this time. Once we have these submitted and returned we will have a better idea of our schedule. The insulated pipe will take some time to obtain. The utilities schedule (utility poles and electrical lines) could also have an impact on the timing of the work”.

With any luck we will see this project started in a timely fashion! How exciting for us all to have this off our plates.

The Wharf Project- We all know how important this project is, especially now. The push is on.

We are waiting for Stantec (the engineering company) to get us the engineering package. Anna has been checking in with them regularly. As of now, we still have not received the engineering package but have been told that it is coming. The hope was to have the tender out to bid in August so that we could get the project completed prior to the freeze. When the package comes we will quickly get the building permits and environmental permits and with any luck at all get this project completed this fall.

Generators- We are all feeling a little anxious about the upcoming Hurricane season.

We had been waiting for the Engineer to complete the specifications and designs for the backup generator, for both the pumphouse and the wastewater treatment facility. We have been told we will have these documents by the end of next week (Aug. 18), and once these are in our possession it is expected that we can quickly get the quotes we received updated get these generators purchased and installed. Once we receive these drawings the permitting process for these generators is quite simple,

as per Morley Foy. We will need the permit application, a short design brief, the stamped engineering design plans, and a cost estimate.

Anna will have more details and updates on Water & Sewer in her CAO report.

To summarize, we have been busy. We have many important projects that are on the table now, and lots of work to do in the future. A very large thank you goes to Anna and Marsha as none of this important work could be done without them.

Jamie-Lee Brown

Chair, RMV Water and Sewer Commission