

VILLAGE OF PERRY
VILLAGE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
September 4, 2018

A Special Board Meeting of the Village of Perry was held at the Village Hall 46 North Main Street Perry New York at 6:30 p.m. on the 4th day of September 2018.

PRESENT:	Rick Hauser	Mayor
	Jacquie Billings	Trustee
	Eleanor Jacobs	Trustee
	Bonnie Matson	Trustee
ABSENT:	Dariel Draper	Trustee
ALSO PRESENT:	Matthew Jensen	Village Administrator
	Gail Vosburg	Village Clerk
	Eric Kelly	Supt. DPW
	Jeff Drain	Chief Water & Sewer Operator
GUESTS:	Bill Davis, MRB Group	Jason Schartz, BPD
	Paul Chatfield, MRB Group	

Mayor Hauser called the meeting to order and led in the pledge to the flag.

Bill Davis, MRB Group, presented an overview of updates to the proposed Phase II of the WWTF project. Right now the Village runs at 95% capacity which is 0.92 mgd of our SPDES permit capacity of 0.97 mgd. We consistently have high flows which will lead the village to non-compliance with its permit. To address this problem, the Village should increase plant capacity and work on I & I reduction. Mr. Davis proposed that the village increase their capacity to 1.5 mgd. Cost estimate is \$6,054,920 compared to just improvements to our current capacity of (0.97 mgd) of \$5,837,240

Mr. Davis outlined the proposed improvements with the upgrade:

- Site, Infiltration meter & primary clarifier upgrades
- Trickling filter upgrades (covers, distributors, media and recirc)
- Effluent UV Disinfection
- Two new final clarifiers
- Phosphorus removal
- Solids digestion and dewatering
- Overhead and other prime costs

Next he outlined several of the benefits of the upgrade:

- At the 1.5 mgd, the Village would be in compliance with NYS DEC at the project completion
- Improve plant flows, time for I & I, biological capacity
- Resolves surcharge and treatment bypass
- New clarifiers will improve the effluent quality so UV disinfection can be considered
- Incorporate disinfection requirements utilizing the 0% interest benefit
- New aerobic digestion system
- Avoid consent order

Mr. Davis did note that phosphorus removal (required over 1.0 mgd) creates more sludge, which may result in the replacement of the belt press.

He compared the village sewer rates to other communities that have recently upgraded their WWTP facilities. The Village will have to raise their rates as \$226,000 annually in additional revenue is needed to cover the debt service. This averages out to an additional \$139 per year per sewer account. The Village will have some debt service retiring in 2022, and MRB is recommending that it be utilized for addressing I & I matters. Mayor Hauser expressed some concern as at what point does this create an economic development issue.

Administrator Jensen asked that are our next steps to keep the project on track. Mr. Davis said that MRB needs to submit their engineering report to EFC in September to increase the project cost (as EFC's budget year begins 10/1) and then it will go to the DEC. Mr. Schwarts reported that the Village would have to amend the loan to extend the term if adding new money. Trustee Jacobs asked for a new timeline for this project.

Motion to adjourn the special meeting at 7:26 pm was offered by Mayor Hauser, second by Trustee Billings and carried with all voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail I. Vosburg

Gail Vosburg, Village Clerk