# REGULAR MEETING – KINGSTON WATER BOARD TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023 KINGSTON CITY HALL

The Regular Meeting of the Kingston Water Board was held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023. Chairman Tim Neal called the meeting to order with the following members present upon roll call: Member Philip Bredwell, Vice-Chair Tony Brown, Member Randy Childs, Member Lucy Johnson, Member Stephanie Wright, and Chairman Tim Neal.

### **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

A motion made by Member Johnson, second by Member Bredwell to waive the reading and approve the minutes as written the minutes of the regular meeting on April 11, 2023.

The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote. 6 Ayes

## Citizen Comments -

• Dickey Maddox (155 Old Johnston Valley Road) addressed the Board and expressed appreciation of the Board exploring options regarding sewer charges.

#### CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Advised the Board that Thompson Engineering is withdrawing from the ARC project in Ladd Landing (This will also be referenced in the City Council minutes)
- Relinquished the floor to Utility Director Kevin Hamilton who updated on the following:
  - o Sewer extension project on Ward Road is near completion
  - o Advised of 5 or 6 new sewer taps recently purchased
  - o Pending yard work, patching, and paving on the recent sewer extensions
  - o Informed the Board that two employees recently attended TAUD emerging wastewater contaminant class and reported of some upcoming proposed changes in PFas Testing. We currently test per trillions of gallons and it is proposed to change that to per quadrillions of gallons which will increase costs.
  - o Member Childs inquired about the Casey's project and Director Hamilton advised it is on hold currently while Casey's explores their options.

### **New Business:**

1. Consideration to enact a moratorium on imposing sewer charges to unconnected customers until December 31<sup>st</sup> to allow for further study.

A motion was made by Member Childs, second by Member Bredwell to enact a moratorium on imposing sewer charges to unconnected customers until December 31st to allow for further study.

Discussion ensued about determining the customers both inside/outside city that this would affect; notification for customers to self-identify; process of confirming whether the customer was physically connected; plans for further discussion; rates and fees associated with bore permits.

Mr. Bolling reminded the board of the existing ordinance which will need to be amended.

## Roll call vote

Member Bredwell – Yes Vice-Chair Brown – Yes Member Childs – Yes Member Johnson – Yes

Member Wright – No Chairman Neal –Yes

ATTEST

Motion passed with 5 Ayes and 1 Nay Vote

Chairman Neal adjourned the meeting. 7:14 pm

APPROVED\_ June 13, 20

Timothy Neal, Chairman

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