GLOVERSVILLE-JOHNSTOWN JOINT SEWER BOARD MEETING MINUTES April 23, 2025

The adjourned April 9, 2025 meeting of the Gloversville-Johnstown Joint Sewer Board was reconvened on April 23, 2025 in the Common Council Chambers at Johnstown City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Christopher Vose Chairman
Bobbi Trudel Vice Chair
Eric Parker Secretary
Michael W. Stover Member
John Rizzo Member
Deanna Hitchcock Member

Harry Brand Manager-Wastewater Programs

Darleen Gaugler Principal Account Clerk Hilary Ruzycky Administrative Aide

PUBLIC HEARING - SEWER RATES

On a motion made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Stover, carried six (6) in favor and none (0) opposed, the Board opened a public hearing at 6:01 P.M. for the proposed 2025-2026 sewer rates.

PERSONNEL

Accept Resignation: WWTP Operator Richard Pedrick

Manager Brand requested Board approval to accept the resignation of WWTP Operator Richard Pedrick. On a motion made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Stover, carried six (6) in favor and none (0) opposed, the Board accepted the resignation of Grade 3A WWTP Operator Richard Pedrick, after nineteen (19) years of service, effective May 2, 2025.

Interview WWTP Operator Trainee Candidates

Manager Brand reported interviews are currently being scheduled with the three (3) remaining applicants who passed the civil service exam for WWTP Operator Trainee. An operator trainee is eligible to test for a Grade 3A WWTP Operator position after successfully meeting operating experience requirements of NYSDEC, which is 4.5 years Wastewater Treatment Plant Hands On experience. Currently only one trainee on staff is eligible to take the 3A Exam and the next trainee will not be eligible until 2028.

BUDGET/PURCHASE/AUDIT

No one was present to speak in favor of, or in opposition to, the proposed 2025-2026 sewer rates. On a motion made by Mr. Stover, seconded by Mr. Parker, carried six (6) in favor and none (0) opposed, the Board closed the public hearing at 6:17 P.M.

Outside City Sewer User Rates

Manager Brand reported the rate for Users outside of the City sewer system is two (2) times the current rate charged to City Users, with the exception of Fulton County Sewer District #5.

Trucked Waste Hauler Rates

Manager Brand recommended the rate schedule for Trucked Waste Haulers should remain unchanged at this time. He suggested future terms of agreement with Trucked Waste Haulers should begin on May 1st to run concurrently with approved Sewer Rates. All Board members unanimously agreed.

Adopt 2025-2026 Sewer Rates

On a motion made by Ms. Trudel, seconded by Mr. Rizzo, carried six (6) in favor and none (0) opposed, the Board adopted the 2025-2026 sewer rates, including Outside City Sewers Users, and Trucked Waste Haulers, effective May 1, 2025, as follows:

USER CHARGE RATE FOR MCI'S:

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE CAPITAL

FLOW: \$ 0.68 PER 1000 GALS. FLOW: \$ 0.12 PER 1000 GALS. \$ 73.62 PER 1000 LBS. TSS: \$ 420.30 PER 1000 LBS. TSS: BOD: \$ 225.89 PER 1000 LBS. BOD: \$ 56.47 PER 1000 LBS. TKN: \$ 1,289.79 PER 1000 LBS. TKN: \$ 149.79 PER 1000 LBS.

I/I Fee: \$33.10 PER CONNECTION

Monitoring Fee: \$600 FOR CLASS A INDUSTRIES

\$500 FOR CLASS B INDUSTRIES

USER CHARGE RATE FOR NON-MCI'S:

(Residential, Commercial & Minor Industrial)

\$3.51 PER THOUSAND GALLONS OF \$2.63 PER HUNDRED CUBIC FEET

I/I Fee \$33.10 PER CONNECTION

WASTE RATE:

MUNICIPAL SLUDGE \$ 0.055 PER GALLON LEACHATE \$ 0.011 PER GALLON INDUSTRIAL SEPTAGE \$ 0.11 PER GALLON FOOD WASTE – INCLUDES FATS, \$ 0.33 PER GALLON

OILS & GREASE

SEPTIC HAULERS \$0.09 PER GALLON < 300,000 GALLONS PER YEAR

\$0.075 PER GALLON > 300,000 GALLONS PER YEAR

REMEDIATION WASTEWATER \$ 0.007 PER GALLON YOGURT WHEY \$ 0.016 PER GALLON CHEESE WHEY \$ 0.027 PER GALLON RV DUMP \$ 3.00 PER LOAD

OUTSIDE CITY SEWER USER RATES:

Two times the current rate charged to City Users, with the exception of Fulton County Sewer District #5.

ADJOURN MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 P.M. on a motion made by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Stover, carried six (6) in favor and none (0) opposed.

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Parker, Secretary

Gloversville-Johnstown Joint Sewer Board