

PENN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Minutes From Regularly Scheduled Meeting September 3, 2009

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Penn Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, September 3, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Penn Township Municipal Authority Office located at 2595 Route 522, Suite 20, Selinsgrove, PA. Chairman Thomas Ferry presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Thomas Ferry, Vice-Chairman Neal Smith, Treasurer Timothy Laubscher, Secretary Gregory Aungst and Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman

Member(s) Absent: *None*

OTHERS PRESENT:

Solicitor Robert Cravitz, Inspector Pete DeWire, Administrative Secretary Susan Seebold and Operator Scott Sharp

VISITORS PRESENT:

None

MINUTES:

The Authority members reviewed the minutes of the August 6, 2009 PTMA meeting. A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Neal Smith to approve the minutes from the August 6, 2009 Penn Township Municipal Authority meeting as presented. Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No one was present to be heard.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Strength of Waste Surcharges & Organic Loading – John Abromitis, Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority:

The Authority members reviewed and discussed the August 14, 2009 letter Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority (ESCRA) Manager, John Abromitis, concerning the regional system strength of waste surcharges and organic loading of the regional sewer system. According to Mr. Abromitis, ESCRA is investigating the sudden and significant increase in the organic loading and trying to identify the source(s) of these discharges. If not corrected a ban on all sewer connections can be instated by the PA Department of Environmental Protection until a multi-million dollar treatment plant organic capacity upgrade is completed. It shall be noted that PTMA has implemented procedures to reduce the organic loading that is discharged into their collection system.

EAST SNYDER PARK:

Inspector Pete DeWire stated that he has nothing new to report on the East Snyder Park. Further discussion was tabled until the next PTMA meeting.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2009-01:

The Authority members reviewed Resolution No. 2009-01. After a brief discussion, Secretary Gregory Aungst motioned to approve Resolution No. 2009-01 as presented by Solicitor Robert Cravitz. Treasurer Timothy Laubscher seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT By Thomas Ferry:

Chairman Thomas Ferry stated that he has nothing further to report.

VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT By Neal Smith:

Vice-Chairman Neal Smith reported that Logan Scholl has painted several PTMA fire hydrants and plans to have the remaining fire hydrants painted by October 31, 2009.

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INSPECTOR'S REPORTS By Pete DeWire:

Inspector Pete DeWire reported that he has contacted the owner of the property located around the stand pipe concerning the trimming and possible removal of some of the trees that interfere with the telemetry signal. Inspector DeWire further reported that the property owner has agreed to let the Authority trim or remove said trees.

OPERATOR'S REPORT By Scott L. Sharp:

Monthly Operating Reports:

The Authority members reviewed the Monthly Operating Report submitted by PTMA Operator Scott L. Sharp. (See Attachment A)

Stand Pipe Level Transmitter Replacement:

Operator Scott Sharp reported that the level transmitter at the stand pipe was damaged by water and will no longer read the tank level accurately. After a brief discussion, Vice-Chairman Neal Smith motioned to have ICEA Solutions install a submersible level instrument in an amount not to exceed \$2,990 as presented in their September 3, 2009 emailed proposal. Secretary Gregory Aungst seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Meadowview Pump Station Dialer Replacement:

Operator Scott Sharp reported that the dialer at the Meadowview Pump Station was damaged by either a power surge or lightning and no longer works. After a brief discussion, Secretary Gregory Aungst motioned to have ICEA Solutions install a four Channel Raco "Guard-it" auto-dialer in the Meadowview Pump Station in an amount not to exceed \$2,320 as presented in their September 3, 2009 emailed proposal. Vice-Chairman Neal Smith seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORTS By Timothy Laubscher:

The Authority members reviewed the financial reports. (See Attachment B and C)

After the Authority members reviewed and briefly discussed the certificate of deposit rates from five local banks, Chairman Thomas Ferry motioned to transfer all funds from certificate of deposit #001108337 into the PTMA sewer account after the certificate of deposit matures on September 12, 2009. Vice-Chairman Neal Smith seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Secretary Gregory Aungst motioned to approve the Payments and Time Cards as presented. Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman seconded the motion and unanimously approved

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Secretary Gregory Aungst motioned to adjourn the September 3, 2009 PTMA meeting at 7:51 p.m. Vice-Chairman Neal Smith seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan L. Seebold, Administrative Secretary

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